



# WETHERBY THE ROUNDUP

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## HEADTEACHER'S WELCOME

### Unbelievably we are nearing the end of the academic year.

What a successful year it has been full of hard work, challenges and much laughter. As ever, the students have demonstrated such positive engagement in their learning and the wide range of enrichment activities on offer. It is a privilege to see the students growing up and we are very proud to be working with them.

I am pleased to be able to provide an update regarding the new building. I would like to thank you as parents/carers for patience with the limited updates so far regarding this. I would have liked to be able to share more frequent updates, but until this point we have been restricted by the Department of Education in terms what we are able to share. Earlier this year the Department for Education appointed contractors to build the new building. Since May half-term, I have been meeting weekly with both the Department for Education and the contractors to do the detailed design and planning of the building. It has been very exciting seeing the new building take shape and it will be wonderful to be able to share all these images with you early in the Autumn term. I would like to reassure you that there will be minimal disruption to learning when the building work starts. Due to our very large site, we will be able to keep the building work away from the main school building and still be left with field areas for PE lessons and break/lunchtime. Again, we will share further information regarding this in the Autumn term.

*I hope you all have a safe, refreshing and restful summer.*

## HALF-TERM 6 REVIEW

### YEAR 11 PROM

**The Year 11 Prom was a joyous night where our out-going Year 11 students celebrated the end of their exams and their time in secondary school.**

Students arrived at school dressed looking their finest, before they enjoyed a night of pizza, awards and dancing.



### PRESENTATION EVENING

**In June, students who had been recognised by staff for their hard work and effort across school attended our annual Presentation Evening.**

Students received awards for their work and effort in the subjects they study and for their contributions in coaching. Well done to everyone who was nominated for an award.





## STUDENT GUARANTEE DAY

**On June 20th, all students were able to take part in this year's Student Guarantee Day.**

One of our aims in school is for all students to have opportunities to experience life outside of the classroom - a valuable chance for students to share new experience with each other.

This year we went to:

- Year 7 • **Harewood House**
- Year 8 • **Yorkshire Wildlife Park**
- Year 9 • **Penn-Y-Ghent**
- Year 10 • **Team building activities in school**
- Year 11 • **Trip to the beach at Cayton Bay**

## WELCOMING OUR NEW YEAR 7 STUDENTS

**Our new Year 7s joined us for their Induction days this half-term.**

Students were welcomed into their new Coaching circles by our Year 8 students and had a Coaching session planned for them by our current students.

They then took part in the 'New Year 7 Sports Day'. We all look forward to seeing them again at one of the Year 7 Summer Camps over the summer holidays and seeing them start school with us in September.

YEAR 10



YEAR 8



YEAR 9



## STEP-UP

**Students have made the transition into their new year groups this half-term.**

Students have really impressed with their effort in lessons, their resilience to adapt to the change of a new timetable and their engagement with the activities and events that have run in school.

Students can now approach their return in September, having already begun to foster positive relationships with their new teachers and ready to pick up their new learning straight away.

YEAR 10



YEAR 7



YEAR 7



YEAR 9



## COACHING THIS HALF-TERM



### SPORTS DAY

**Students have spent the last few weeks in their Coaching groups and as Houses preparing for and taking part in Sports Day.**

This is a key event on the school calendar which not only celebrates the students and their sporting achievements, but also fosters students sense of belonging to their House, and also their active participation in the events. Students do not have to be the best runner or best shotput thrower to compete; what we value in our young people is their attitude to taking risks and accepting challenges which might push them out of their comfort zone.

We look forward to Sports Day on **Friday 11th July**.

WETHERBY HIGH SCHOOL

**SPORTS DAY**

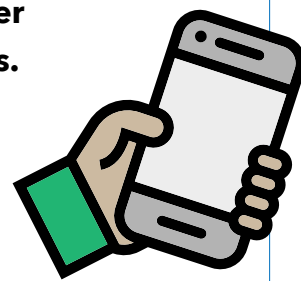


### MOBILE PHONE & ONLINE SAFETY WEBINAR

**In the first two weeks of the half-term, students and staff came together in House assemblies to hear about staying safe on their mobile devices.**

This follows the work of the Safeguarding Team from last half-term and their 'Staying Safe Online' webinar. Students were challenged to consider how much time they spend on their phones and whether they have a healthy balance between time spent online, and time spent doing other activities, such as sports, socialising and Online Learning.

If you would like any advice or any more information about supporting your child to stay safe online then please do contact the *Safeguarding Team* at Wetherby High.



## BEING WELL-PREPARED FOR LEARNING...

### EQUIPMENT

**It is important to students' learning that they are properly equipped for every lesson.**

Students should arrive each day at school with:

- **A black school bag.**
- **A pencil case with:** black ink pen, green ink pen, whiteboard pen, pencil, ruler.
- **A scientific calculator.** A calculator is a key piece of equipment that all students will require for use in their maths, science and geography lessons. By having their own calculator, students will become familiar with its use which will support them when they require them for lessons and assessments. Please can you ensure that your child is well-prepared for their learning by having a calculator with them in school every day.

To support you with this, calculators can be purchased for **£12.65** via **ParentPay** and can be collected from student reception.

### UNIFORM

**In September all students should return to school dressed in full school uniform.**

All students are expected to:

- Wear their school blazer.
- Have smart, black school shoes.
- Students are expected to be the best versions of themselves and to dress smartly - shirts should be tucked in, ties should be worn as normal, and for students wearing skirts these should be at an appropriate length.

## UPCOMING EVENTS IN HALF-TERM 1 AT WETHERBY HIGH SCHOOL

HALF-TERM 1		
WEEK 1 w/c 1st Sept	Monday 1st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School opens for Year 7 only at 11.00am.</li> </ul>
	Tuesday 2nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School opens for all students at 8.40am. All students will go straight to Coaching for Session 1.</li> <li>Online Learning set for all students</li> </ul>
WEEK 2 w/c 8th Sept	Wednesday 10th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 11 Information Evening 6.00pm.</li> </ul>
WEEK 3 w/c 15th Sept	Wednesday 17th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 10 Information Webinar about what to expect over the next two years of study for GCSE exams (more information to follow about this event).</li> </ul>
WEEK 4 w/c 22nd Sept	Wednesday 24th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Open Evening for prospective parents of Year 5 and Year 6 students 6.00-8.00pm.</li> </ul>
	Friday 26th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School closed for INSET day.</li> </ul>
WEEK 5 w/c 29th Sept		
WEEK 6 w/c 6th Oct	Friday 11th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Online Learning deadline for all students.</li> </ul>
WEEK 7 w/c 13th Oct		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 11 Mock exams to run all week.</li> </ul>
	Wednesday 15th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wetherby Dash during Coaching.</li> </ul>
	Thursday 16th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>KS3 Restart a Heart Day.</li> </ul>
WEEK 8 w/c 20th Oct	Wednesday 22nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meet Your Coach Day 2.00-7.00pm.</li> </ul>
	Friday 24th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Merit Assemblies for all year groups.</li> </ul>

If your child would like any support in taking part in these events then please do speak to their coach.