



Oakfield School



Welcome to issue 12 of the Oakfield School newsletter. At the time of writing we are in the grip of a heatwave. Year 11 exams are behind us and we are quickly approaching the Summer break. As ever, there has been a wide range of lessons and activities taking place across the school this half term.

Covid

As cases of covid are once again on the rise across the country, the government has issued the following advice:

Try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people if you have any symptoms of COVID-19, and have a high temperature or you do not feel well enough. You can go back to your normal activities (including school) if you feel well enough to do so and/or you do not have a high temperature.

If your child has tested positive for COVID they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days. This starts from the day after they did the test

Science

Nine students attended this year's STEM fair and overall, their behaviour was a credit to them and the school. They engaged in a range of activities from building their own robots to holding stick insects and cockroaches. Many used the opportunity to ask questions from the different experts at the fair and unleash their curious natures.



Duke of Edinburgh Award

Unfortunately, we didn't have enough students to run an accredited Duke of Edinburgh expedition this year due to an accident with one of the participants a few days prior to the event. Instead, the other students were taken to Dalby to take part in mountain biking and camping. The students had a great time enjoying the trails at Dalby and even went for fish and chips in Scarborough on the evening. Having missed out on the Duke of Edinburgh accreditation, they will be given the opportunity to complete the award next year.



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Art Theme Day

At the beginning of July, we held our annual Art Theme Day. There were six activities on offer throughout the day including some led by external providers. Particularly popular were the Lego and the spray painting activities. Some amazing pieces of art were produced during the day.



Extended Days

During this half term the Extended Days students have undertaken a wide range of activities from Hama Beads to mountain biking to trips to the beach. They've been making the most of the light evenings and good weather in order to be outside as often as possible.



Pride

At the end of June, in line with other areas of the country, we celebrated Pride Day. Students and staff were encouraged to wear bright clothing in order to show support for those from minority groups. Areas of the school were decorated with rainbows and positive slogans.



Year 11 Leavers' Trip

The Year 11 students worked hard this year to raise Money for their trip. They organised and ran a coffee morning for the whole school and some of them did a sponsored exercise bike ride in the hub. During the trip, they all had a great time and their behaviour was impeccable. They will be missed and we wish them all the best for the future.



Residential

The residential pupils have been focusing on raising money for our end of year residential camp in Settle, North Yorkshire. During the previous couple of months, a lot of preparation has gone into this, which has seen a significant amount of sponsorship raised in order for this to be possible. Oakfield School are proud of our boys and girls for their dedication to completing the Yorkshire Wolds Way Walks over the weeks. This has been challenging at times but the pupils have excelled and the majority should be proud of their accomplishments. We have also completed a number of car washes as well as a very successful bake sale raising the funds required for the camp.

Whilst on the camp there was some stand out pupils that excelled with their commitment, effort and behaviour. Trips to Gordale Scar and Janet's Foss was particular highlights which saw the pupils out of their comfort zone yet amazing by the natural beauty. The following day was a trip to Blackpool Pleasure Beach, another fantastic day out with some memorable faces on the rollercoasters. It was a great end to a challenging term which saw relationships built between staff and peers and memories that will last forever!

Water Safety

Remember to stay safe over the Summer by not jumping into, or swimming in, rivers, lakes or canals.

