

## Headteacher's message

would like to use this week's newsletter to just say "thank you" to everyone in the Headlands School community for your support over this very busy half-term.

The students have settled back really well into their new curriculum timetables, we have been thrilled to see students once again competing with other schools in sporting events and also the number of students who continue to attend our other after-school activities continues to grow.

hilst this term has been slightly nearer to "normal" than the last year-and-a-half, it has still been challenging as, like many schools around the country, we have had to juggle staff and student absences due to COVID-19.

However, despite this, our student attendance to school remains at least 2% above the national

average and teachers have, where possible, adapted their teaching to be able to still teach into the classroom from their homes to deliver quality teaching and learning to our students.

This week, we have also seen the return of live theatre pieces with a play called "The Exam" being performed by our superb students.

oday has been our Year 11's 6th Form Taster Day - an opportunity for students to experience our post-16 offer and assist them in making informed choices for September 2021.

This is always a well organised event and I do not underestimate the logistical challenges faced by Mr Cooke (Assistant Head - Sixth Form) in terms of making sure students have access to courses they would like to consider taking in the future and also working around the main school teaching timetable! I will look forward to hearing feedback from the students on what they have learnt from the day.

Finally a reminder we all return to school on Monday, 1st November, 2021.

Stay safe and well,

Sarah Bone

#### Exam invigilators

We are still looking for invigilators for the PPE exams for Year 11 and Year 13 students at Headlands in November.

Anybody who is interested in the role can find out more at https:// headlandsschool.co.uk/about-the-school/recruitment/





Well done to Mrs Bannister, Mrs Hoult and Mr Fairlamb, who along with Mrs Bone, Miss Brown and Miss Woodward, completed the Yorkshire Coast 10k run at Scarborough last weekend.



# **Restart A Heart Day**







Around 200 Team Headlands students learnt how to perform CPR and use a defibrillator in a medical emergency as part of Restart A Heart Day.

Sessions were carried out with all our year groups. One day, this lesson could save a life. Around 650 Yorkshire Ambulance Service staff and volunteers taught CPR at more than 100 secondary schools across the county last Friday.

Restart A Heart Day was developed in 2013 by the European Resuscitation Council to encourage others to teach members of the public how to help restart the heart of someone who has suffered a cardiac arrest.











The heat for the Future Chef competition took place in school last week, with Belle (Year 9), Oliver (Year 9), Harvey (Year 10) and Lauren (Year 10)

Mrs Jones said: "All four students demonstrated excellent workmanship and made some amazing dishes.

"Oliver made pan-fried pork steak with a honey glaze and rice. Belle made chicken kiev with pan-fried broccoli and smashed new potatoes. Harvey made pan-fried garlic chicken with peppers and wraps. Lauren made creamy mustard chicken with carrots and mashed potato.

"I am pleased to announce that Belle and Harvey are going forward to the local finals at Hull College in November or December where they will produce dishes and compete against other students from schools in the East Riding and Hull."

#### Half-term dates

Don't forget, Friday (22nd October) is a Disaggregated Day and school will be closed to all year groups.

School closes at 2:45pm on Thursday, 21st October and re-opens to students on Monday, 1st November.

Although it may seem quite a way off, it may be useful to note the dates for the Christmas holidays. School closes on Thursday, 16th December, and reopens on Tuesday, 4th January.

The new Team Headlands hockey club, with Mr Kelly and Mr Woodcock starts after school on Thursdays after half-term.

## **Careers Corner**

Some brilliant careers news...Headlands has gained the Quality in Careers judgement to an 'outstanding' level.

The Hull and East Yorkshire LEP assessors found that Headlands had met all eight of the benchmarks required and that the school was 'passionate and committed to ensuring high quality careers education'.

In its conclusion, the report stated: "The careers programme at Headlands School is outstanding with a meticulous and tailored approach applied to all aspects."

Headlands was first assessed for the Quality in Careers Standard in

2018 so this was its first threeyearly review.

At the start of October, assessors spent a day interviewing careers lead Mr Stamper, headteacher Mrs Bone, other senior staff and a group of students in Years 10 to 13.

• The Headlands Careers Google Classroom has details of a variety of virtual work experience opportunities at major national companies, in careers from law to media, health to technology.

Log on to the classroom using the code auz5ijv.

### Join Team Headlands

We are looking to recruit a minibus driver with excellent driving skills, a good knowledge of the local area and the ability to work successfully with young people and their parents and carers.

The salary is at Point 4 (£19,312 pro rata) and the job is for 15 hours per week, on a fixed-term contract until 31st August, 2022.

The closing date for applications is 12th November.

For more information and to apply, visit www.headlandsschool.co.uk/ about-the-school/recruitment/



# **Latest sports results**



Team Headlands played four close league matches against Bridlington School on Tuesday. This half-term ended with Year 7 and Year 9 playing fixtures against Withernsea on Wednesday.



There was a super effort from our Year 8 Netball and Year 10 Rugby teams against Driffield School and Hornsea School last Thursday.



Congratulations to all Team Headlands students, and especially Luke, who finished second, at last week's East Riding table tennis competition.



Top effort from the Team Headlands cross country squad at Tuesday morning's East Riding championships at Cottingham.



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## pirations Evening A



Year 11 students and their families attended the Team Headlands Aspirations Evening last Thursday.

Mr Cooke gave a presentation about life in the Sixth Form before visitors had the chance to take a look around the Sixth Form area and chat to teachers and students about the various courses offered at Headlands.

There were also representatives from the Army, Humberside Fire and a number of careers organisations available for advice.

Applications for the Sixth Form for September 2022 can be made now, using the form on the school website.





Connor (Year 11) won our mental health awareness colouring competition, held by Mrs Fairlamb as part of the school's events for World Mental Health Day.

Students from the Sixth Form also helped to write messages to create a wall of positivity outside Room 11 in the tower block.

