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Headteacher's message

Super proud of our Gymnasts who last weekend completed in the Floor & vault National finals in Stoke. They were competing against Gymnasts who are in the **Great Britain Junior Team** and secured some absolutely amazing scores! Our students came 6th in the Country simply Outstanding!

These achievements can not be underestimated and have only come about through lots and lots of

training. A massive "thank you" to Mrs Hoult Practitioner Sport) for making this happen and the hours and hours she has given support students and to Harry Shearing for his on-going support and Gymnastics coaching. Please see Mrs Hoult's detailed report pictures in this newsletter. (Have your tissues at the ready!)

This week our Transition Team has emailed out our Year 6 Admission Forms and also information on how to book your Transition Meeting. We also provided information on how to Transition join our Google Classroom. Now oversubscribed, it is a really exciting time to be joining "Team Headlands" and we can't wait to meet you all in person later on in the summer term.

Stay Safe and well! Mrs Bone

Vaccinations 13th May

We have our final vaccination session of the school year on Friday 13 May.

We have:

- HPV 2nd dose.
- · DTP & Meningitis catch up
- · COVID catch up





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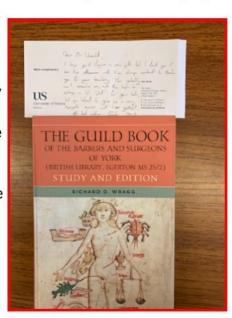




Former student Richard Wragg has book published!

Having taught for nearly thirty years, it takes a lot to surprise me, but on collecting my post this week I was in for a pleasant one. Upon finding a large package I opened it and found a note from a former A-level student, Richard Wragg and copy of a book. He said that I might "not remember" him but of course I did, a hardworking, confident and intelligent student. The note began, "forgive my vain gift but I wanted you to have a copy for your teaching. You helped to give me a very enjoyable career and I'm grateful!" Now this just about brought tears to my eyes

but I then looked more carefully at the gift and it was actually a book written by Richard himself titled "The Guild book of the barbers and surgeons of York". As GCSE historians know this concerns medieval medicine and the awful and primitive remedies involving bloodletting, urine charts and leeches. They were also the first hairdressers, and the red and white poles outside current barber's shops were first used for those unable to read. This gift certainly made me reflect why I am so glad I teach history at Headlands and how fantastic it is that a past pupil has achieved something so amazing. It should also inspire all of you that you too can achieve your goals -if you dedicate yourselves to them and work super hard! But also spare a thought for the teacher who helped shape that goal in the first place!



Mr Wormald

Ps the book is available at £75 (no profit to me)





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National Finals & Goodbyes Floor & Vault National Finals May 2022

The final competition of the year saw our under 19 and under 14 teams representing Yorkshire at the national finals in Stoke. The gymnasts competed in a floor routine and a vault over the bank holiday weekend. The under 19 team competed first with a team of Lily Hodgson, Connie Melles, Lucy Croft and Alexis Hellewell. They started really strong on the vault with great scores coming from Alexis with 15.2 out of 16 followed by Connie on a 14.95 with Lucy and Lily on 14.4 - some of the strongest vault scores we have received in a Floor and Vault final. They then competed on the floor against students in much older year groups (year 9-13) and gymnasts who are currently representing the GB gymnastics junior team! They have worked tirelessly during training every Thursday and Friday and even every night of the week in the lead up to the competitions themselves. Alexis dominated the floor with a 13.4 closely followed with Lucy at 13.3, Lily with 13.2 and Connie on 12.8. These results found the girls achieving 11th place in the Nation! Well done girls!











In the afternoon the under 14 girls competed. The team consisted of Lexie McCaw, Imogen Davies, Chloe Garbutt and Rose Hodgson. Rose competed in the morning session with her sister Lily as they were away for the long weekend, came to represent Headlands and not let their respective teams down and then went back on their holiday for the rest of the day. Many thanks to both girls (and parents!) as this was much appreciated!. With a quick warm up they went straight to vault with Lexie and Imogen scoring 14.95 and 14.9 respectively and Chloe and Rose both achieving 14.55

Moving on to the floor the girls worked tirelessly on their tumbles to try and generate a higher score within their routines. Imogen took the highest score with 14.83 closely followed by Lexie on 14.67, Chloe on 14.07 and Rose on 13.667. An amazing set of results with some of the scores being the gymnasts personal bests at a school competition. With a final overall group combined score of 116.87 they came in 6th place - an absolutely phenomenal achievement at the Floor and Vault competition. Well done girls! (continues on next page)















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The Awesome Foursome Farewell

Sienna Collinson - With the patience of a saint, Sienna has helped create routines for other students, has had countless pieces of floor music and has done everything with a smile on her face. Even in her last competition when she injured her foot, she managed to cheer everyone on and is the best team player. Her positivity radiates from her and engulfs those around her. I have absolutely no doubt you will go on to do amazing things, keep on smiling and being you Sienna.







Emily Willkinson - the choreography genius! Although (hopefully!) staying on at sixth form, Emily isn't going to compete anymore; she has agreed to come and help at the start of the gymnastics season to choreograph the dance sections of the routines as she continues her journey in sixth form. We wouldn't have been able to cope without Emily, especially this last year with so many younger gymnasts joining the competition squad. She understands when she is asked for a 'leg twiddly diddly thing' and makes a beautiful routine. I look forward to continuing with your help!!

Sian Beswick - Who will we bring all the ice packs for at future competitions?! Sian has been an ever constant since year 7 and has competed in a variety of mixed and all girls teams. She has coached on floor and vault, helped choreograph routines and has flourished into a confident young woman. Like Emily, Sian is hanging up the leotard (she claims she has old lady knees but I think there's still a year left in her and I'm trying to convince her otherwise!) but is going to continue coaching throughout her Headlands sixth form career. She is confident, vivacious and approaches every challenge she is given. The other gymnasts can all relate to her and I know she will be a great addition to our coaching team.









Toby Gee - Gee Gee as he is known at gym. Toby was our one token boy in the gymnastics team until this year and I don't know who suffered more over the years - the girls or Toby! Toby is the joker of the team who would keep everyone going when things got tough. He would call himself the banter King and none of us would agree! His laugh is infectious and he has a great ability to find the positive in every situation. Toby has been to every session, even when taking part in the school production and managing his time around this. He is the first to volunteer and didn't care who was in his mixed team, as long as he could laugh with them and have the chance to represent the school. This year saw him take on the role of male coach to another male gymnast - something I know Bailey is extremely grateful for. Much like his leotard he has outgrown, he has come to the end of his Headlands journey. We will miss his stories and his constant smile so much - even maybe some of his talk about Tractors! Toby, we wish you the best of luck in your future and you will be missed.



Miss you all and good luck in the future. -Mrs Hoult



