

# Headlands HEADLINES

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#### FRIDAY 24 MARCH 2023

### Message from Mrs Stamford

Is it just me or has this half term absolutely flown by? We have enjoyed the Matilda Performance, a plethora of trips to various places, several parents evenings, some fabulous careers events, lots of sporting fixtures and competitions, strike days, a day with no internet or phone lines, non-uniform days and even some late March snow! Wow, it really has been a jam packed half term!

Thank you for your support with Comic Relief, your generous donations helped us to raise £483.85 for the brilliant charity

All students (except a few Year 11s who are scheduled for Monday with me) should have now received their reports. The conversations that The Senior Team have with students are invaluable in helping shape the future of Teaching & Learning at Headlands School. Students have told us that The 'Over to Me' initiative that was introduced at the beginning of the Year, has really enabled them to focus and has given opportunities for editing and reflecting, helping students to build resilience which is fantastic!

Reports will be issued via Edulink next week.

**During the Easter** Holidays there will be some revision sessions taking place for Year 11, 12 & 13 students. Mrs Rogers will send a letter out with further information and details. Students attending who use our provided transport during term time, will unfortunately have to arrange their own transport as our minibus drivers will not be available during the holidays.

A reminder that school closes at 12:05pm on Friday 31 March 2023 and will reopen to all students on Monday 17 April 2023.

Students entitled to Free School Meals will be provided with a grab bag at break time on 31 March.

Thank you once again for your continued support, have a lovely, restful break.

Mrs Stamford Head of School



Mrs Bone's Year 8 Science class (8Y1) this week undertook a practical modelling of DNA using wine gums and candy sticks! Superb work well done, Mrs Bone.





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### Mrs Bone's Newsflash

This week I attended the House of Lords follow-up inquiry on the Select Committee on Regenerating Seaside Towns and Communities. You can see the evidence session here:



I was asked questions on the key educational challenges faced by seaside towns, teacher recruitment and retention, the Governments Levelling Up agenda, flexible learning opportunities, T-levels and transport costs. Key themes that ran through the discussions focused on funding (and our lack of it!) and the importance of quality careers information and guidance.

My intention was to strike a balance between showcasing the great work we have led at Headlands School with the support of our community, alongside highlighting the significant challenges coastal towns face and how collectively we continue to address them with optimism and ambition.

Then on Wednesday and Thursday I attended a Conference in Birmingham focusing on the "Leadership of People" our most valuable resource in School. In 2023 we are now in the fortunate position of recruiting some of the best regional talent, and retaining them. As Leaders, the teams responsibility now is to ensure we grow this talent and ensure they continue to support our students in achieving their absolute best and leave Headlands School with real choices for their future.

Next week is "Headlands Halt" - so this will be my last Newsflash for the Spring Term. Thank you again for all your support in the work we continue to lead at Headlands.

Mrs Bone Executive Headteacher

