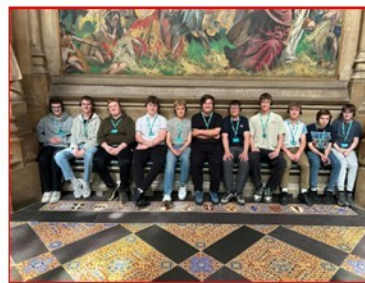




### Message from Mrs Stamford

Our GCSE students have completed their first full week of exams and we couldn't be prouder of them. Their conduct has been excellent and their attitude towards their revision sessions and exams has been exceptional. Their resilience is inspiring and we wish them all the best of luck for next week's jam packed exam schedule before the half term break.

On Monday this week, Mr Woolley and Mr Harah accompanied the Sixth Form Politics students down to London to visit Parliament. They observed a debate, watched the speaker's procession and attended a snap election workshop before spending time with Charlie Dewhurst. This was an incredible opportunity for our students and speaking to the students, a real privilege with memories that will stay with them for life.



Also some amazing news this week, our Year 8 Next Gen Leaders led by the fabulous Miss Matthews and Mrs Adamson went to the finals to present their ideas. Not only did they win gender equality and healthier communities, but they won overall school of the year!! What a fantastic achievement! They absolutely smashed it and we are super proud of each and every one of them! To present on stage to a large audience is incredibly nerve wracking and our students took it in their stride and were true professionals. They now go on to the final of the kick starter category! Keep your eyes peeled for a full write up with photographs of the event.

Our Year 9 students have attended their first 'Shine' event in conjunction with York University. They were given a tour of the campus and learnt about University life. The aim of the programme is to raise awareness of the benefits of higher education whilst motivating students in their academic achievement, a fantastic programme for our students.

Mr Woolley has written to Year 10 parents this week to invite them to a revision evening on Thursday 12 June. The evening begins at 6:00pm and will coach students on strategies they can use for revision as they begin to prepare for their end of year exams before moving into Year 11. We look forward to seeing you.

Mrs Stamford  
Head of School

### Tyler, Oceane & Maelys

Tyler (Year 8), Oceane (Year 7) & Maelys (Year 9) ran the Beverley 10K short race over the weekend with over 200 other runners. Oceane was 7.41 and 3rd U13 Girl, Maelys 8.03 and Tyler was first Under 15 boy and the winner of the Short race in first place. Well done all!



### Year 7 Art

Here is a small selection of sculptures that some of our Year 7s have been making over the last couple of weeks. I am blown away by the creativity this year. It was so hard not to fill the entire Headlines with sculptures and pick only a few. I am so proud of the students - Miss Ward







### Mrs Bone's Newsflash

This week I write to you with an update on our Governing Body. Andrew Hirst has served on Headlands School's Governing Body for nearly 15 years and for 12 of those as our superb Chair of Governors. Through his expert, skilful leadership he has helped to transform the quality of education we have on offer here at Headlands School and we simply could not have made many of the difficult decisions we have made over the years without him. We are forever indebted to the commitment and dedication he has shown to our school and the wider community as a volunteer.

In the last couple of weeks Andrew has made the difficult decision to step back from this role and is returning to being a Governor on our Governing Body. I am very confident he will continue to support

and challenge the Senior Leadership team moving forward, always placing our students at the heart of his decision making. As a result of this decision, last night at the Governors Leadership Committee Meeting we have made some changes to the Leadership of the Governing Body and they are as follows -

- Gary Thomas - Interim Chair of Governors
- Phillipa Gascoigne - Interim Vice Chair of Governors
- Lisa McCall - Chair of Leadership Committee
- Phillipa Gascoigne - Chair of Behaviour for Learning Committee and Safeguarding Governor

- Geoff Hoyle - Chair of Learning Learning Committee and Special Educational Needs Governor

May I take this opportunity to thank all our Governors - who give up their time for free, to serve and strategically lead Headlands School throughout the academic year.

Finally, I want to express and reiterate my sincere gratitude for Andrew's dedication and commitment to Headlands School and our students.

Best wishes

Mrs S Bone

Executive Headteacher

### Rugby Tournament

We entered a Y7/Y8 mixed team in the North East Touch Rugby tournament and we won! We are now into the next round which are the National Finals! The students took part in coaching sessions in the morning with England Touch players and experienced Touch coaches and then in the afternoon competed in games playing against other schools from the North East. Everyone tried their hardest and were a credit to Headlands! They definitely did the school proud! - Miss Hood



### Countryside Careers Event

Driffield Agricultural Society are hosting this excellent event to showcase the wide variety of careers which have their roots based in rural East Yorkshire. It takes place on Thursday 22 May from 4:00 – 8:00pm at the Driffield Showground. The event is open to all students, past students and parents/carers. The event is free with plenty of free parking as well.

There will be a large variety of businesses from a diverse range, including agriculture, agricultural related industries, engineering/mechanical engineering, conservation, renewable technologies, law, accountancy, agronomy, chemicals, supermarkets and supply chains, professional practices and local and further education establishments. This event could be an excellent opportunity for students, past students and parents/carers to get free impartial careers advice. It is an opportunity to network, gain potential part-time or full-time future employment, or to seek out an apprenticeship.





## NEXT GEN LEADERS

NextGenLeaders changemakers attended the NextGenLeaders final at Leeds City Museum on Thursday 15 May. The students have all created fantastic community projects which are all linked to the UN sustainability goals and we were able to showcase these at the event. We also met the Lord Mayor of Leeds who was the inspirational speaker for the day.

We won 2 category awards, 'G.I.R.L.S' project won the gender equality award and 'Sports For All' won the healthier communities award.

Our 'Stop The Old From Being Cold' project managed to reach the final in the 'Kickstarter Project' award which meant they presented on the stage in front of judges. The students were incredible and some of them have never spoken publicly before.

To top off an amazing event Headlands School won 'School of the Year 2025'

The students have made some amazing personal development during their 'NextGenLeaders' journey and have shown motivation, improved confidence and their ability to work as a team based on each other's strengths.

We are so proud of them all! - Miss Matthews & Mrs Adamson



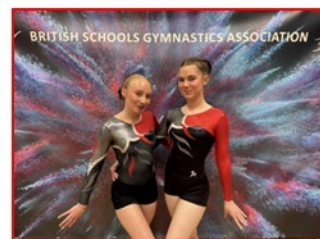




## Gymnastics National Final

Over the bank holiday weekend the Headlands School Gymnastics Team competed at the National School finals in a variety of different competitions. Our qualifiers were: Disability Acro pairs: Phoebe S & Chloe P | U19 Tumbling: Alexis H & Chloe G | Floor & Vault Teams: U14 girls, U19 Boys & U19 Mixed  
It was a fantastic weekend full of personal highs and great performances all round - not a mistake in sight!

Firstly, on Saturday morning we started with our disability competition. Last year Phoebe and Chloe did amazing and finished in third place gaining us our first ever National placing. This year they did even better - they only went and won taking the National Disability Acro Pairs title and the gold medal! Absolutely fantastic and thoroughly deserved - the hard work and dedication the girls have put into the routine and working well together has finally paid off. We can't wait to see where the future takes them.



In the afternoon, Alexis and Chloe took part in the U19 tumble competition. This is the first time in 12 years we have qualified for this event and we are immensely proud of the girls coming at 14th & 16th respectively with 1.85 marks separating them from the winning medals. Well done in such a tough competition.

Moving on to Sunday we had our National Schools Floor & Vault finals. Our first group was in the first round which consisted of Alicia, Hannah, Lyla, Grace & Edie. The girls all scored highly on vault with Alicia having the highest score of 14.7 and also having the highest on the floor, closely followed by Hannah. This is a fantastic set of results for an U14 team composed of all Year 7 students competing against students up to Year 9. They achieved a top ten finish with 9th overall. A great start to their Nationals journey.



Second to compete was a first for our school and the Yorkshire region, our U19 boys team. As our mixed team also qualified for nationals, it left us one boy short for the team but the rules state that as long as no other school entered a boys team, we can borrow another student from a Yorkshire school. A massive thank you goes to Ted from Bridlington School for helping us out. A second thank you goes to Charlie from Bay Primary School; unfortunately Fin picked up an injury the week before competing and was unable to continue. We made the decision as a team to go down as a three and compete anyway as they had worked so hard and they were still achieving points for Yorkshire. Charlie was sat in the audience watching his brother compete for the school, stepped up and said he would do it! Within 1 hour we had a full routine and a vault sorted. This enabled the boys to take 6th place, a fantastic result! Well done to Chris, Jude, Ted & Charlie (and Fin for qualifying).

Finally, our last team to compete was our U19 mixed team with Tom, Bailey, Chloe, Emmie and Lucy. This is the last competition for some of these students before they go on to further education or concentrate on their Year 11 exams. It has been fantastic to see them develop since Year 7 and we're so proud of the role models they have become to the younger students in the team. Lucy took the highest vault score with a 14.90 and Chloe the highest floor with 14.10 closely followed by Emmie on 14.00. The team came 7th overall, a brilliant result to end on and round up a fantastic year!

Coming up: trials for Year 6 students moving into Year 7 will take place on Thursday 3 July after school 2.45pm until 4.15pm (1st transition day). Prospective gymnasts will need to have competed previously or still be actively competing in gymnastics. This is to join the competition squad only. Please see the letter that is attached to the transition day information.

