



Message from Mrs Stamford

This week our Year 11 and 13 students have completed their final round of mock exams. We have been super impressed by the behaviour and attitudes of our students during this three week process. The resilience, dedication and personal goals set by the students themselves has been entirely commendable. Year 11 have enjoyed an extended lunch as a reward today.

Year 13 will have their mock results day after half term in preparation for their University/Apprenticeship pathways.

This week Year 9 visited East Riding College as part of their career aspirations programme in the run up to

the students choosing their options. Students took part in a wide variety of sessions and are pretty excited about what the future holds for them.

This week Mr Cooke has been speaking to our students about what constitutes as bullying. Students have learnt the following:



Despite being a short term, the dark mornings and incessant rain have made it feel a lot longer! Please ensure you try to have a restful week.

A reminder that school reopens on Monday 23 February for mainstream students and Tuesday 24 February for students attending the ARC.

Mrs Stamford
Head of School

Careers

It has been a busy couple of weeks for 'careers' at Headlands with a whole range of activities going on to inspire our students and help them on their journey of making informed choices about their future.

In maths lessons, students have been learning about technical qualifications along with how maths is everywhere and how it is used in different jobs. Reds10 delivered assemblies to Year 7, 8 and 9 on what apprenticeships are and the steps needed to secure them. Reds10 spoke to a focussed group of Year 10 and 11 students who are interested in construction and/or apprenticeships. Students took a lot out of this session, particularly how to make a good impression and what the process is like after application.

All Year 9 visited East Riding College and took part in a range of activities including brickwork, hair and beauty, immersive technology, catering, joinery and much more. This event was great and really opened students' minds to the possibilities available to them and to help them focus on which subjects would be good to choose as options for their GCSE's. It also included extra information on technical qualifications, apprenticeships, and how it is important to get the best grades possible at GCSE to ensure the full range of choices.

A selection of Year 7 students worked with IntoUniversity on the skills that are needed, and how to develop them, in order for students to be successful with their aspirations.

Keen Year 10 and 11 students visited AB Graphics and further developed their knowledge of different careers within engineering.

Mr Stamper has been supporting Year 11 students who are applying for their next steps. Year 10 have been busy arranging their work experience. After half term, we have assemblies on other routes such as A-Levels and university and our Year 9 students have their options launch assembly. We also have our whole school careers fair which looks set to be very busy and further support our students in making informed choices about their future. We are keen to support students with their aspirations and Mr Stamper (along with all staff) is always available.



This week I am writing to you from Loughborough University at ASCL's first Council Meeting of 2026. Having represented School and College Leaders for nearly a decade, these meetings are an opportunity for me to celebrate the great work we are doing at Headlands School with colleagues from across the country and also learn and gain insight from fellow Leaders on how we can make Headlands even better.

I am part of the Leadership and Governance Committee and am also the Membership Officer for the Union. Over the course of the last year we have

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seen our membership continue to grow as Leaders seek to collaborate and have a collective voice around key matters such funding, special educational needs and accountability measures.

With the government's White Paper soon to be made public, discussions around the implications of its contents for schools will form part of our two day discussions. This is alongside the conversations Leaders are also having in respect of the new Ofsted framework and the real uplift all Leaders are feeling in terms of accountability pressures and the implications for schools being judged as 'secure fit' and not 'best

fit' in each area of judgement.

As always over the two days I will endeavour to serve and represent our school community and student's in the best way I can, alongside being a strong voice for Leaders across the country.

Here's hoping for some drier weather this weekend!

Mrs Bone
Executive Head

Golf

Please can any golfers who wish to be entered in the 2026 Schools Golf competition on 27th March at Hull Golf Club please give their handicap number to Mr Fairlamb



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Yorkshire Schools Floor, Vault & Milano Competition 2026

On Friday 23 January, we hosted the Yorkshire qualifying round for two school competitions - Team Milano and Floor & Vault competitions. Primary and secondary schools from all over Yorkshire came to compete for the opportunity to represent Yorkshire and their school at the National School Finals in March and May. To compete in the Milano competition gymnasts compete in an individual floor, a vault and in a group routine as a team of 3 or 4 and scores are combined together. The top two teams qualify to represent Yorkshire at the beginning of March. In the floor and vault competition gymnasts perform an individual floor and vault as a team of 4-6 gymnasts with the winning team setting their sights on Nationals.



We entered 6 teams into the Milano competition ranging from U13 up to U19 ranging from all girls teams, all boys teams and mixed teams. Firstly we have our U19 Girls team consisting of Edie, Ava and Amy who stepped up to the higher age group for the first time and scored some fantastic vault results which gave them a second place medal and qualified them for Nationals on Saturday 7 March. Next up were our U16 girls who are doing a fantastic job of juggling Year 11 with mock exams, revision, P6 lessons and also coming to gym practices alongside their own interests outside of school. Their hard work and dedication paid off with them picking up a silver medal with Chloe picking up a medal for the highest vault score in the competition and Imogen with the highest floor. Along with Kaela, all 3 gymnasts will join the U19 girls on Saturday.



Next we had our new U19 Mixed team with Ruby, Chloe and Jude. This team have a great work ethic and have worked really hard on their group routine and a big shout out to Ruby who managed to do her roundoff backflip for the first time in competition. They came away with a gold medal and also join the older age groups on the Saturday. Finally we move on to our U13 teams starting with our boys. Bodhi, Mason and Charlie have worked hard, especially adjusting to the moves needed and having to compete to music for the first time in their group routine! Bodhi received the highest combined score for his floor and vault and the boys took the gold medal meaning they represent Headlands School and Yorkshire on Friday 6 March.



In the U13 girls competition we entered two teams: Lydia, Myah & Maisie along with River, Annabelle, and Izzy. All the girls had a great day, especially on vault, gaining really high scores. Annabelle scored one of the highest floor scores with Lydia taking the highest vault score. Narrowly missing out on a medal; River, Annabelle and Izzy came 4th but the team of Lydia, Myah and Maisie came 2nd and will join the boys on Friday.



In the Floor & Vault competition we entered U16 Boys, 2x U16 Girls and 2x U13 Girls teams. Competing in this competition was Jess, Lily, Annie, Addy, Mia and Phoebe across the U13 and U16 teams along with the Milano gymnasts. Annie had a memorable day with a really good floor routine, one of the strongest she has ever done. Her team came 4th with the second U16 girls team of Chloe G, Kaela, Imogen, Chloe P and Ruby P came in second place. The first U13 girls group of River, Addy, Izzy and Lily put in a tremendous performance with River scoring a fantastic 14.40 on the vault. In the second U13 girls team of Ava, Edie, Lydia, Maisie, Myah and Annabelle, Annabelle scored the highest floor score with 12.65 and helped the team to win a silver medal. Winning the gold medal we had our U16 boys team of Jude, Bodhi, Mason and Charlie who will represent Yorkshire and Headlands at the National finals in May. Well done to Jude who scored the highest floor score and Bodhi with the highest vault.

