



MESSAGE FROM MRS STAMFORD

This week, every student took part in a whole-school assembly celebrating what it means to be a great Headlands student. It was a brilliant, positive session, and a great chance to say a big thank you for all the ways our students already get this right every day.

We began by celebrating the everyday kindness that runs through Headlands, treating staff, peers and visitors fairly, listening properly, and making sure nobody is ever left out, because it's these small, consistent choices that make our school community such a warm one.

We also talked about students giving their full effort in every lesson, keeping up with Sparx or other homeworks, and seeing feedback as a chance to improve.

On top of that, we reminded students of the pride that comes from wearing full uniform correctly every day, in line with our dress code for shoes, ties, hair, jewellery and make-up, as looking sharp is one small way they show they mean business about learning.

Another focus of the assembly was about staying switched on and safe once they leave the classroom, walking bikes and scooters on site, taking a headphone out near roads, and taking real care crossing at the end of the day, as well as being brilliant ambassadors for Headlands in the community, including local shops such as the Co-op.

Finally, we celebrated how much these great choices really do get noticed through stamps, super

stamps, postcards home and certificates and how consistent effort and respect add up, with every right choice moving a student a step closer to recognition.

Last night we held our Year 11 revision and Sixth Form Evening which was a fantastic success. It was wonderful to see so many of our students and their parents/carers in attendance. Whatever your child is considering for their next steps, staying with us into Sixth Form, moving to college, or starting an apprenticeship- we're here to support them every step of the way.

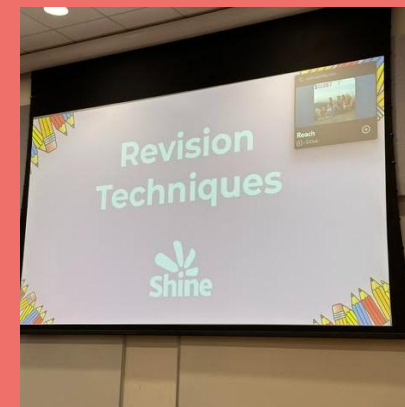
Mrs Stamford

Head of School

SHINE SUMMIT

Ten of our Year 11 students went to the University of York on 16 September to participate in the Shine Summit. All pupils engaged really well as they learnt how to prepare for Year 11 and their upcoming exams. We looked at revision techniques, strategies to cope with pressure and stress, heard first-hand from university students about their experiences as well as receiving a bumper revision toolkit!

It also gave students the opportunity to think about their post-16 choices and potential career options too!





MRS BONE'S NEWSFLASH

A Fantastic Start to the Autumn Term

It has been wonderful to see how well our students have settled into Week 2 of the Autumn Term. Across all year groups, students are engaging superbly in lessons, showing real enthusiasm and focus in their learning. We have been particularly impressed by the commitment shown to "Over to Me" tasks, with students consistently working independently and demonstrating real diligence and pride in their work. This is a brilliant

foundation to build on as the term progresses.

It was also great to see so many Year 11 students attending our GCSE Revision & Sixth Form Open Event, showing real initiative in thinking ahead about their next steps.

Looking Ahead

Next week, Mr Cooke will be leading an assembly to share feedback from the Student Council on

Rewards — including exciting updates to our Attendance initiative that Mr Cooke has coined "More Days In, More Chances to Win." We look forward to students hearing about the ideas and improvements shaping this initiative.

Mrs Bone

Executive Headteacher

26 MILE WALK – MRS MILNER

On Saturday, some of my family and I undertook a 26 mile walk from Scarborough castle to Whitby Abbey and beyond.

It rained for the first 12 miles, we faced 19mph winds and too many steps to count but we saw some incredible views of our coastline and shared a special bond with our fellow walkers.

It was tough but all for an amazing cause, Brainstrust, which is close to our family's heart. In the UK, 79 people are diagnosed with a brain tumour every day. It is the biggest cancer in the under 40's. So far we have raised £1840 and I couldn't be prouder of our community.

- Mrs Milner



You can donate to this cause here:

<https://brainstrust.enthuse.com/pf/klairly-unstoppable>

YEAR 11 EVENING

On Thursday evening, it was wonderful to welcome Year 11 students, and parents and carers to a very busy and lively evening about how to achieve our full potential in Year 11 and being prepared for next steps beyond Year 11. Parents and carers got a flavour of the challenges Year 11 can hold as they completed real exam questions in English, Maths and Science (some very competitively). We hope all parents and carers left knowing how to support and encourage through what can be a challenging year, as well as having a clear idea about everything Headlands Sixth Form can offer next year. If you have any questions or concerns about revision or next steps beyond Year 11, please don't hesitate to get in touch. Working together as a team this year, we're very excited to see what our wonderful Year 11s can achieve.

