



MESSAGE FROM MRS STAMFORD

Some amazing things that have been happening at Headlands this week. On Tuesday our Year 7 to 10 students recently took part in a BBC Bitesize careers workshop, and it was a real joy to watch. Students threw themselves into exploring different career paths and asked brilliant questions. Many of them left buzzing with ideas about their futures. For some, it was the first time they had really thought about where their interests might lead, and that is exactly the kind of spark we want to encourage and foster.

I also have to mention our GCSE and A Level students' performance of *The Crucible*, which I am told was nothing short of phenomenal. I am excited to see the show tonight myself but last night Mrs Roberts and Mr Harah sat in the audience

completely captivated. Mrs Roberts said "the maturity, emotion and sheer talent they brought to such a powerful play left many of us with goosebumps. Every one of them should be enormously proud, and I know the hours of rehearsal they put in will stay with them long after the show is over!" Thank you to everyone involved behind the scenes and in particular the Performing Arts team for putting on such an amazing show.

Finally, I'm thrilled to let you know that Headlands has been shortlisted for a Modeshift STARS Schools Travel Award. This recognises our work encouraging walking, cycling and shared travel to and from school. We are one of only 208 schools across the country to receive this accreditation, so being shortlisted is a huge achievement. It belongs

to all of you just as much as to us: every student that has walked, cycled, scooted or shared a lift has helped make it happen. Thank you. We'll keep our fingers crossed and let you know how we get on.

Just a reminder that school finishes at 12.05 on Wednesday 21st October and students will return to school after the half term break on Monday 2nd November. Students in the ARC will receive separate communication about their return to school.

Mrs Stamford

Head of School

BBC CAREERS VISIT

Students in Years 7 to 10 took part in excellent sessions this week run by the BBC Bitesize Careers team. They explored a wide range of different careers available to students including how broad the technician opportunities are.





MRS BONE'S NEWSFLASH

This week Mr Stamper (Assistant Head) talked to students about how our rewards system is working in school as part of our Assembly schedule.

Rewards philosophy at Headlands School

We reward students so that effort and good conduct are visibly valued, and so that every student, of every ability and in every year group, has a realistic route to recognition. Rewards can be given by any member of staff, formally or informally, publicly or discreetly.

The system is built around ten Student Character traits, which give staff and students a common vocabulary for what we are looking for:

Trait	What it looks like
Self-discipline	Managing my own behaviour and helping others learn
Leadership	Making positive decisions that benefit peers and staff
Passion	Being enthusiastic about learning new things
Challenge	Embracing difficult tasks
Resilience	Not giving up, and supporting others when work gets hard
Feedback	Actively seeking feedback to improve
Effort	Working hard all lesson to achieve my best
Readiness	Arriving positive and ready to learn
Respect	Treating everyone in school with respect
Compassion	Showing empathy for others and their needs



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Alongside formal rewards, verbal praise from every adult remains the foundation of positive relationships in our classrooms and corridors.

How the system works

Every formal reward earns Achievement Points, recorded on Edulink and tracked across the year; students hear where they stand on the rewards ladder in tutor time each week. Points then unlock larger rewards, from canteen treats to the Winter and Summer rewards activities.

Reward	Given by	How often / criteria
Routine Stamps	Class teachers, tutors	Up to 4 per lesson for settled entrance, following instructions, answering a question and excellent attitude; tutor stamps cover punctuality, equipment, uniform and attitude.
Super Stamps	Class teachers	Max 1 per lesson for exceptional Student Character; also for quality homework and completed extra-curricular activities.
Teacher Postcard Home	Class teachers	At least 2 students per teacher each week.
Tutor Postcard Home	Tutors	1 student per tutor group each week, including for improvement.
Character Card	All staff	1 per staff member each week for that week's trait; traded for a canteen item or a raffle entry.
Positive Phone Call Home	Teachers	For exceptional attainment, character or attitude.
SLT Rewards	Senior leaders	Tokens on drop-ins, entered into a weekly raffle drawn in assembly.
Attendance Rewards	Automatic	5 points for 100% attendance in a week.
Rewards Assemblies	SLT link, Year Leaders, Pastoral Team	Three £5 vouchers per year group weekly; subject, tutor, attendance and Year Leader awards each half term.
Rewards Activities	Year Leaders	Winter and Summer, for students at the required ladder stage, chosen by Student Council and Student Voice.
Celebration Evening	Departments	Annual: Ambassador, Outstanding Attainment and Outstanding Progress at KS3 and KS4/5.



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The ARC uses the same structure with adapted Routine Stamp criteria. The Sixth Form runs its own model: weekly Sixth Former of the Week nominations, termly rewards assemblies, and trips open to students with attendance above 95% and an average Attitude to Learning of B or better.

Student, staff and parent voice

Students already shape the system: Student Council and Student Voice choose the rewards activities and the prizes on offer for Character Cards. Ownership matters, and it should continue.

Next steps

Mr Stamper asked students to work with teachers and ensure that they remind teachers to consistently stamp!

Conclusion

Rewards at Headlands are about more than prizes: they are how we tell students, every lesson and every week, that hard work and good character matter. The system gives every student a route to recognition, from a Routine Stamp to a place at Celebration Evening.

My thanks go to the Mr Stamper for leading the policy, to Year Leaders and the Pastoral Team for running our rewards assemblies, to every member of staff who takes time to write a postcard or make a call home, and to the local sponsors, including Lloyd Dowson and Bridlington Rotary Club, who support our celebration awards.

KS3 ART CLUB

KS3 Art Club have been busy over the last three sessions creating a silhouette onto a starry night sky. I think they are incredible and I'm so proud of how great they all turned out. We will be tackling Halloween next week, Art Club is Thursday 2:45 - 3:30 in Room 23.
- Mrs Milner



THE CRUCIBLE

After a fantastic first night, our students will be giving one more performance of our school play 'The Crucible' tonight at 6.30pm. This exploration of the Salem Witch trials of 1692 is handled with maturity and powerful acting skill by our upper school students and is not to be missed!



Tickets are available on Scopay and there may be a few available on the door. £4 each. 14+ age recommendation.

HEADLANDS REWARDS



LLOYD DOWSON ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



Lucy Cox
Spencer Curran

YEAR 7

Olivia Robinson
Olivia Moore

YEAR 8

Logan Garbutt
Summer Straker

YEAR 9

Lily Nicholson
Finlay Wilson

YEAR 10

Jaxon Smithson

SLT TOKEN

Millie Stokes
Ash Williams

YEAR 11