

# The Snaith Story

Summer  
Final  
2024

## The Termly Newsletter of The Snaith School

### **Final message of the year from the Headteacher**

As we approach the summer holiday, I am delighted to share with you the final edition of The Snaith Story. It has been an exciting half term packed full of activities, opportunities and achievements. I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for the support that you have offered the school this year. Working in partnership is fundamental to the success of our fantastic school. Your feedback is always appreciated as we strive to be the best that we can be.

The Snaith Story aims to capture a flavour of our brilliant school. We have had to be selective in this edition due to the sheer number of activities on offer to our pupils. Well done to all pupils who have embraced the opportunities available to them, and a sincere thank you to our staff for their commitment and enthusiasm to the school in making these experiences possible.

### ***A quick recap of the year...***

We saw the reopening of The Grahame Simm Sports Hall, investment from Drax power to replace lighting throughout the school, new TVs being installed around school celebrating our successes, and we ordered our new school minibus (which is currently in production).

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# Final message of the year

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We baked for MacMillan, wore moustaches for Movember, and odd socks for anti-bullying. We ran in mud for Cancer Research, and we created our own food bank and ran a reverse advent calendar. We visited theatres in London and York, composed music at the Junction, took part in a leadership summit, met the poet Laurette and wrote to pen friends in France and Spain.

We took part in the Duke of Edinburgh award scheme, put our names forward for National Citizen Service, and hosted so many visitors..... We visited Colleges, took part in Work Experience, held an Art Exhibition, and learned how to restart a heart.

We had sports tours to Portugal and Spain, cultural trips to Paris and London and we went skiing in Austria. We have had an unprecedented number of sports fixtures, and sporting successes. Four-year groups successfully won the East Riding Plate. An amazing achievement, demonstrating that our extra-curricular programme is truly outstanding and makes Snaith the school that it is.

We have an excellent transition programme, combined with an abundance of primary sporting events organised by Mrs Willden our School Sport Coordinator. We cannot wait to welcome over 175 new year 7s in September.

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# Final message of the year

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We have been busy updating our School Improvement Plan this term, ready for next year. This will be focused on four key areas: a good teacher in every classroom; an ambitious and inclusive curriculum; personal excellence and behaviour; safeguarding and care. We will keep you updated with our progress and will be seeking your views in September about homework and our reporting system. Thank you to those parents and carers who took the time to complete the Edurio survey. In September, we will produce a “You said, we did” document to show how we have taken on board your feedback and suggestions.

There are several projects taking place throughout the summer. Our School Library and our Infinity area will be changing locations, and we will be updating our Resource Area. We cannot wait to see what the rooms will look like, especially the newly discovered parquet flooring!

We say farewell to a number of staff this summer; Mrs Sampson, Mr Calpin, Dr O Gorman and Mrs Roper are leaving us at the end of term. We wish them all the very best for the future, they will always be part of our Snaith family.

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# Final message of the year

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I am sure you will agree that this half term has been packed full of exciting events and opportunities. It is a genuine pleasure to work with your children on a daily basis. They remain an absolute credit to you and to our wonderful school. I would like to thank you all for the continued support you have given the school and to me in my first year as Headteacher.

Kind regards

Heather Yates, Headteacher

- *We will produce a September edition of the newsletter that contains our It's a Knockout and Sports Day photographs from the last two days of term.*
- *School reopens to Y7 and Y11 on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September and all pupils on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September.*

*Have a fantastic summer break.*



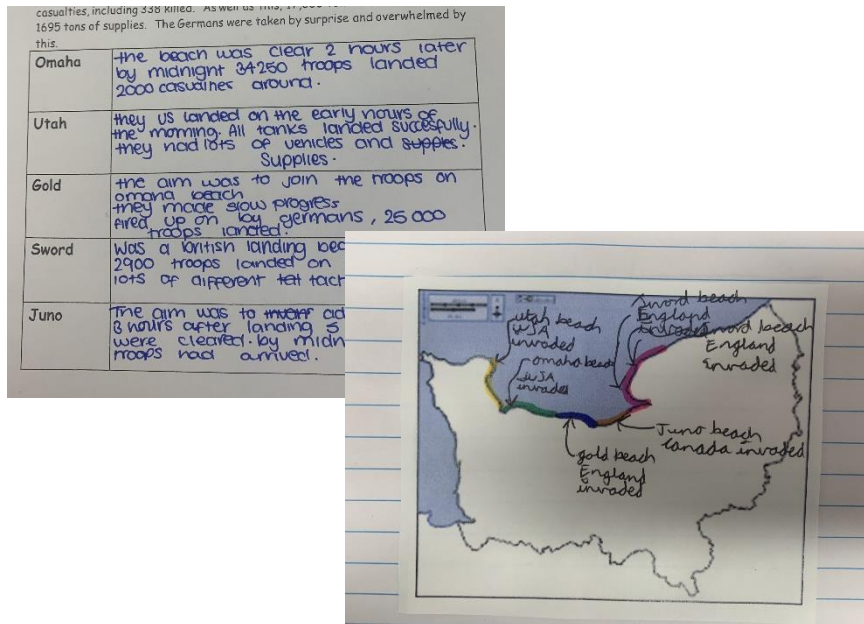


## APEX Year 10 Pupils Visit Snaith Primary

On Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June, Mrs Hull and her fabulous group of APEX volunteers visited Snaith Primary to deliver an 'Introduction to APEX' transition session to Years 5 and 6, in which we informed the pupils about what to expect from the APEX curriculum at The Snaith School. We then used our department icon and additional group member, Taylor Swift, to guide pupils through a few scenarios dealing with issues such as bullying, body image and self-esteem. Mrs Hull was not only impressed with the primary school pupils and their wonderful contributions to our discussions, but she was absolutely blown away by our own pupils and how they led the groups with enthusiasm and positivity. To speak in front of a packed hall of two-year groups is quite the challenge and definitely pushed a few of the group out of their comfort zones, yet Mrs Hull could not have been more in awe or proud of how they did. A wonderful afternoon indeed!



# Year 7 History -D-Day Commemoration Work



This half term, Key Stage 3 pupils learned about the importance of D - Day in preparation for the anniversary that took place on the 6th June this year. Pupils were part of an assembly where they found out about the Normandy landings, why D -Day is such a huge part of world History, and why D - Day was so instrumental to Britain and the Allies in winning the Second World War. Year 7 also took part in History lessons during the week where they completed some outstanding work on the different beach landings such as Gold, Juno and Omaha, focussing on the details as to why they were so successful. They showed great focus and were very respectful throughout. The History Department was very proud!



# Year 7 “fangtastic” Day in Whitby

Year 7 had a 'fangtastic' day in Whitby on the annual Gothic Literature trip. After a guided tour of the sights and sounds that inspired Bram Stoker's classic novel, Dracula, pupils made gothic sand sculptures on the beach and even braved The Dracula Experience.

They smashed the 199 steps after fuelling up on fish and chips and ice creams. Even though the weather wasn't kind to us, the year group were fabulous ambassadors for the school and received many compliments on their impeccable behaviour and conduct.

A brilliant way to end year 7!



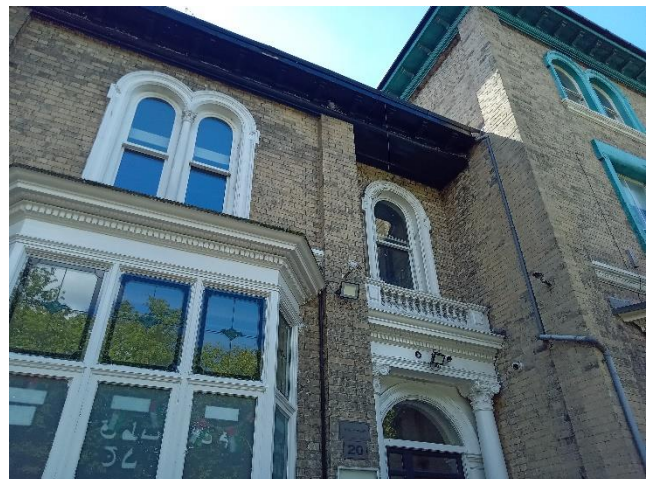
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# The Year 7 Mosque Trip

Our Year 7 pupils had the pleasure of visiting Pearson Park Mosque in Hull. They learned all about The 5 Pillars of Islam, as well as what it is like to be a Muslim, and saw a demonstration of some of the prayer positions. Some pupils even wanted to join in! This was a fantastic opportunity to embrace diversity, break down any barriers fed by media bias and to talk to people of another faith. Pupils have written thank you postcards to be posted to the Imams and we will be back to visit again next year!



# Triple Science Visit to Selby College

Our future triple science pupils got the opportunity to attend a STEM @ Selby College day where they learnt more about the different branches of science. Pupils attended a variety of different sessions including:



- **Molecular Gastronomy:** where they made biscuits using agar jelly and saw how melting points affected different food stuffs
- **Quantity Surveying:** where the focus was on calculating how much paint it would take to cover an entire floor of a building

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# Triple Science Visit to Selby College

- **Biology:** in which pupils put Daphnia under the microscope and calculated how the heart rate was affected by adrenaline
- **Biomechanics:** where pupils completed different exercises before and after stretching to see how warming up affected certain muscle groups





# “Prison Me No Way” Year 9 Visit

On Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July, Year 9 had their long-awaited visit from Prison Me No Way! which is a project originally set up by three prison officers who hoped to inspire children and young people to make the right choices. They informed our pupils about the causes, consequences, penalties and impact of crime in the hope that our young people stay safe and become law abiding citizens. Year 9 attended sessions which included guidance on County Lines, Road and Railway Safety, and visitors from the National Power Grid.



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# “Prison Me No Way” Year 9 Visit

Pupils also visited a prison cell and discussed prison life with real life prison guards. Ex-prisoner, Barry, was the hit of the day as he had pupils absolutely enthralled by his story and his guidance on how to make the right choices was invaluable. Pupils always enjoy this day and the feedback once again was overwhelmingly positive with pupils discussing how they felt ‘inspired’ by the speakers. Equally, feedback from the staff at PMNW described our pupils’ behaviour as ‘impeccable’ throughout the day and we are so proud of Year 9 for such thoughtful, mature and sensible contributions. We are already looking forward to next year’s visit!



# Year 8 STEM Workshop

It was a pleasure to welcome former pupil, Megan Backhouse from BOC, into school in July to run a Science workshop with Y8 on the "Secret World of Gases". Pupils learnt about the history of BOC, how BOC separate air into its different gases and what the gases are used for. They thoroughly enjoyed looking at how quickly liquid nitrogen can freeze certain objects and got involved in demonstrations including breaking up and holding some very cold bananas, smashing up oranges with a hammer and crushing flowers!





# Waterstone's Library Trip



July saw the much-loved Waterstone's book buying trip. Thirteen lucky pupils were chosen by Mrs Younger, our librarian, to buy books for the school library. Waterstone's in Doncaster once again welcomed The Snaith School, who bought over 50 books for the new library and enjoyed hot-chocolate and chatting with morning shoppers in the café. Roll on next year!

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# Waterstone's Library Trip





# Year 11 Leavers Assembly



The 11th June saw our Leavers Day celebrations with the traditions of shirt signing, form photographs and the infamous '24 aerial shot. The pupils had really made a huge effort with their shirt decorating with some amazing designs. It was lovely to see them all proudly wearing them.

Their final assembly followed, which was both a celebration of their time at The Snaith School and also a reflection of how far they have all come. We looked back at the many memories and lovely friendships formed. There was lots of laughter as well as a few tears.

The staff wanted to give them a special send off and prepared their own version of "Reach for the Stars" which was played at the end of the assembly. We wish them all a lovely summer and best wishes for their next chapter.



# Year 11 Leavers Assembly



# Year 11 Prom

Over 130 pupils enjoyed the Class of '24 Prom held at Cave Castle on Friday 5th July. Everyone looked stunning in their beautiful dresses and very smart suits.

They enjoyed a 2-course meal and awards celebrations with the winners voted for by the pupils. The decision of Prom King and Prom Queen was extremely difficult with everyone looking so fabulous. Everyone then danced the night away and made full use of the photographer and the photo booth.

We look forward to seeing them again for results day on 22nd August.



# Careers Update

## Work Experience

This July we have had 170 pupils out on work experience with placements across the local area and beyond. Preparation for work experience started in June with a new programme of sessions created to prepare all our pupils for their placement in July. Monday 1st July saw the start of the two-week programme, and staff across school arranged appointments to visit pupils in their workplaces. We are currently collecting all the photos and feedback and plan to have a display and certificates ready early in September.

Work experience is a central part of our careers programme at The Snaith School, and I would like to thank all those organisations that provided placements this year. Work experience gives pupils an insight into the world of work and can really support their choices for college and apprenticeships in Year 11.

Next year our Year 10 work experience programme runs from the 30th June – 11th July 2025. If you are interested in offering a work experience to one of our pupils, please email [careers@thesnaithschool.org.uk](mailto:careers@thesnaithschool.org.uk).

## College Taster Days

This term we have taken Year 10 pupils to Pontefract & Selby College for a college taster day. Pupils had an opportunity to experience college life and took part in a range of subject lead sessions. The rain poured but a great day was had, and the behaviour and attitudes of our pupils were praised by both colleges.

## School Visitors

We have had a wide variety of visitors to school this term including York College and Bishop Burton College who delivered assemblies to pupils on next steps and the options available for post 16 work and study.

## Humberside Fire & Rescue Service

Thank you to Sarah and Sarah from Humberside Fire and Rescue who delivered an amazing assembly on careers and entry routes in the Fire Service. Year 9 were taken through the services provided by the fire service and pupils had the opportunity to ask questions and speak directly with our guest speakers. I am hoping to have more information on our local Fire Cadet Programme in the coming days. Any pupils interested should speak with Mrs Taylor in the Careers' office.

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# Careers Update

## *East Riding Council – Carers in Early Year Education*

Pupils from years 9 & 10 completed a session with the Early Years Development Team on Thursday 27th June. Aimi Wardel and Tarina Sherwood from East Riding Council delivered a session on careers in Early Years Education. They talked about their own experiences of this sector, the skills and qualifications needed, entry routes and career development opportunities. Feedback from pupils was extremely positive. We look forward to working with the team again.





# Year 10 Selby College Trip and Work Experience





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# Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme

In June 2024 we returned to camping when completing the expedition section of the Bronze and Silver Duke of Edinburgh Awards which is the first time since 2019.

22 pupils across years 9 and 10 camped in tents at Raywell Scout camp and cooked a variety of meals outside using Trangia cookers. The weather was dry and the pupils were excellent although some were very tired with very sore feet and rucksacks the size of them. It's not just about the expedition, pupils are also currently working on their 3 other sections (Volunteering, Skills, Physical) participating in a wide range of different activities.

It was a privilege to hand out some completed Bronze Awards at the awards evening, with lots more to come.



# Year 6 Transition Success!



On Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July we welcomed 174 nervous Year 6 pupils to The Snaith School for our transition days. We had a fantastic three days with our new pupils gaining a full experience of secondary school life, and leaving on Friday afternoon confident, ready and prepared for September.

Transition this year was Olympics themed and sessions included: first person narrative writing as an athlete; colour changing experiments in Science to match the Olympic rings; French speaking activities, and of course an Olympics themed sports day to complete the week. Form group 7SEL won Gold on the day - one to watch for Sports Day next year! Our Year 9 prefects were exemplary showing our new pupils where to go, supporting in lessons and answering lots of questions!

We can't wait to see you all in your Snaith uniforms in September! Have a fantastic Summer.



# Awards Evening



We were delighted to host our Awards Evening in The Grahame Simm Sports Hall in July. This is the first Awards Evening we have held since 2019. The evening celebrated the wide-ranging achievements of our pupils. This included academic excellence, individual talents, and outstanding effort alongside Form Awards and Year Leader Awards. These awards acknowledge important qualities that the school values such as kindness, enthusiasm, resilience, bravery and helpfulness.

It was a pleasure to see so many pupils receiving recognition for their sustained effort, attitude and contribution to The Snaith School this year.

We acknowledge the achievements of pupils throughout the year through postcards, tweets, phone calls, certificates, trips and assemblies. It was wonderful to be able to bring all of the successes and achievements together in a formal celebration where parents, carers, governors and staff could collectively celebrate, acknowledge and enjoy the proud moment.



# Celebrations and Rewards

## Certificates

At the Snaith School, we have a comprehensive rewards programme which centres around the reward stamps which teachers give to pupils, for being ready to learn and for demonstrating excellent attitudes to learning. Pupils are also rewarded with stamps in line with our Ready, Respectful and Safe expectations for their conduct outside of the classroom. Reward stamps are collected in planners and collated by form tutors each week to monitor running totals. When a pupil meets a certain threshold, a certificate is issued.

Certificate	Stamps Required	Number Presented
Bronze Certificate	450	753
Silver Certificate	850	723
Gold Certificate	1350	642
Diamond Certificate	1700	516
Platinum Certificate	2100	370
Headteacher's Certificate	2500	202
Governors' Certificate	3000	56
Chair of Governors' Certificate	3500	2

A total of 3623 certificates have been issued to 771 pupils this academic year, with a record number of 202 pupils receiving a minimum of Headteacher's certificate. Impressively, the total number of reward stamps given to pupils this year is 1,544,515 stamps with average of over 2000 stamps per pupil.

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# Celebrations and Rewards

## Superstar and Super Superstar of the Week

Each week, pupils can qualify for Superstar or Super Superstar of the week if they meet the following criteria:



- **Superstar** – 60 Reward Points, No Written Warnings and have 100% attendance.
- **Super Superstar** - 70 Reward Points, No Written Warnings and have 100% attendance.

Each week this year, an average of 300 pupils have qualified for Superstar of the Week and 250 for Super Superstar of the Week.

Qualifiers are entered into a weekly draw for the chance to win a prize. Well done to all pupils who have won a prize.

## Behaviour Points

You will be aware that we use a series of Written Warnings as means to establish excellent attitudes to learning and conduct both within and outside of the classroom. In an average week 75% of our pupils do not receive a single warning with 90% only receiving a maximum of 1 warning each week. Bearing in mind that sanctions are only set once a child meets the threshold of 4 Written Warnings in a week, on average 98.5% of all pupils do not exceed 3 Written Warnings and therefore do not receive a sanction. This is testament to the outstanding conduct of our pupils and your children. Over the course of this academic year, we have had numerous visitors from many other schools. On every occasion, these visitors have fed back to us on how polite and well-mannered our pupils are, how quiet the corridors are during lesson time and how engaged our pupils are when they are in lessons. We look forward to building on this again next year and look forward to your continued support.

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# Celebrations and Rewards

## Certificates 2023-24

### Stage 1

- Bronze 450 stamps
- Silver 850 stamps
- Gold 1350 stamps

### Stage 2

- Platinum 1700 stamps
- Diamond 2100 stamps
- Headteacher 2500 stamps

### Stage 3

- Governor 3000 stamps
- Chair of Governor 3500 stamps
- CEO Award 4000 stamps



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## Rewards Shop 2023-24

### Stationary

- Erasable Pen 480 (375)
- Folding Ruler 300 (250)
- Coloured Ruler 100 (80)
- Retractable Pencil 150 (125)
- Pencil/Rubber 100 (80)
- Pencil Sharpener 300 (250)
- Felt tips/Coloured Pencils 450 (375)
- Maths Set 600 (500)
- Note Book 450 (375)
- Tippex Mouse 480 (375)
- Various Post Its/Sticky Tabs 150-600 (125-500)
- Highlighters 300-500 (250-450)
- Pastel/Neon Gel Pens 600 (500)
- Fine Liners 450 (375)

### Games/Sport

- Pack of Cards 420 (350)
- Rubik Cube 900 (750)
- Table Tennis Bat and Ball 900 (750)
- Football/Rugby Ball 2000 (1650)

### Vouchers

- Amazon Voucher  
£5 1500 (1250)  
£10 3000 (2500)
- Prom (Y11 only)  
£1 = 275 points



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# Pupil Success

## Year 8



Well done, Rhys whose cadet team won the national table tennis league.

# Pupil Success

## Year 10



Well done Billy in Year 10 for winning the Wakefield  
10K in 43 mins.

We love the tutu!



# Pupil Success

## Year 8



Well done Kian, top goal scorer and champion of Huddersfield Junior Football League Division 1.

# Pupil Success

## Year 9



Well done Tilda, whose football team Brayton Belles were League and Final winners.

# Pupil Success

## Year 10



Our Year 10 pupils representing Wakefield District U15 Cricket. You make us very proud!



# Sporting Success

## Dance



This half term has seen the return of NSCD (Northern School of Contemporary Dance) at Snaith. This is the third time the professional Dance College has attended Snaith to deliver a CAT (Centre for Advanced Training) Workshop, which aims to give our pupils a taster of the extracurricular dance programme delivered at NSCD which is designed to prepare young people for full time professional dance training at university or specialist Conservatoire level. 16 pupils from years 8 to 10 attended the workshop, with 6 of the girls successfully being invited to audition for the CAT programme. It was a great afternoon, enjoyed by all pupils!

Dance club after school has continued to be a huge success with excellent participation and enthusiasm. Pupils performed to parents and carers at our Awards Evening, they were fantastic!

# Sporting Success

## School Games Silver Mark



We are delighted to announce that we have achieved the School Games Silver Mark Award for the 2023/24 academic year. The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success. We are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible. We look forward to applying once again in 2025!

# Sporting Success

## Cricket

This has been a fantastic year for cricket and our most successful year yet at The Snaith School. We have had wonderful success across all age ranges in both boys' and girls' cricket.

U13 Girls – Qualified 2<sup>nd</sup> in East Yorkshire and progressed on to Yorkshire County Finals Day at Ampleforth College with another 7 schools from across Yorkshire. The girls were outstanding on the day and represented the school superbly well. On the day, the girls finished 7<sup>th</sup> out of 8. Being the 7<sup>th</sup> best team in Yorkshire is a great achievement for them and the school.

U12 Boys – Knocked out in the group stages at East Yorkshire Regional Finals Day.

U15 Boys – Crowned East Yorkshire Regional Champions by winning all games through the group stages and the knockout games on the day. The boys cruised to victory with a dominant performance in the final.



# Sporting Success

## Cricket



# Sports Tour Portugal



Our 10<sup>th</sup> successive football tour (minus the Covid years) saw 49 boys go to Lisbon in Portugal. Another fantastic tour including 2 stadium tour visits and many fixtures against local Portuguese Teams. As always, our boys were absolutely outstanding from the moment we set-off, to the moment we got home. They were all a credit to the School.





# Sports Tour Portugal





# Netball Tour Barcelona



45 girls visited Salou, Barcelona for their annual Netball Tour. The girls did fantastically well competing in the Masterclass Tournament, against some other very strong English school teams. As well as the netball training and fixtures, the girls spent time sightseeing and shopping in Barcelona, and visiting the beach and PortaAventura Theme Park. Like the boys, all the girls were a credit to the School. Another successful tour!



# Sporting Success

## National Sports Week



To celebrate National sports week, the school took part in walking a daily mile within form time. They also had the opportunity to use the school's fitness suite and experience a Kin-Ball lesson.



# Sporting Success Pretty Muddy



Over 50 pupils and staff took part in the Pretty Muddy 5k Mud Run at Thornes Park, Wakefield on Saturday 15th June. Despite the rain they had lots of fun and raised over £4000 for life-saving cancer research. Pupils were fantastic and loved every minute. We will definitely be doing it again next year.



# Sporting Success Pretty Muddy



# Sporting Success

## Barclays Game Changers



These 4 have been busy promoting Girls' Football and leading football training after school. We look forward to seeing what they will do in September. Well done, Ameira, Neive, Isabella and Hannah.



# Sporting Success

## SSP East Riding Sports Awards



Congratulations to all of our pupils who were nominated and invited to attend the event. It was a fantastic evening which included an inspirational talk from Craig Heap, former Olympic Gymnast.

1<sup>st</sup> place Awards went to Isabella for her Outstanding Contribution to PE, Alana for her outstanding Contribution to Leadership/Volunteering and Harry for Sporting Superstar.

Other place Awards went to Billy, Chloe, Ryan, Sam, Tilly and to the U15 Girl's Cricket Team.

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# Sporting Success

## SSP East Riding Sports Awards



# Sporting Success

## Primary Events



### **Year 5/6 Rounders**

Well done to everyone who took part and to Snaith Primary School who won this event.

### **Dance Show**

This was an afternoon of Dance with over 50 pupils taking part and performing on the stage. The Primary pupils got to watch 2 dances from pupils who attend "Anna's Academy of Dance" and some of our GCSE Dance pupils performing their Examination pieces. Well done to everyone who took part. You were amazing.

### **Tri-Golf Tournament**

Well done to everyone who took part and to Snaith Primary School for hosting and winning the event

### **Playground Pals**

Some Year 5s from our Feeder Schools have been learning how to become a Playground PAL, and they will eventually run activities for other pupils during play times. We look forward to hearing how they are getting on in September.

# The school library is on the move...



We're writing a new chapter in the history of our school library with an exciting relocation. After 50 years of the library being in its current position at the front of school, it's swapping places with Infinity and from September will be in the heart of the English department. English staff, our brilliant site team and some of our Year 10 pupils on work experience did a rapid and efficient pack-up of books and furniture. A wonderful surprise was the discovery under the carpet of the original parquet floor which will be treated to some TLC and restored to its former glory. Next term's newsletter will feature an update and photos of the new library. We're very excited and eagerly looking forward to a more modern and larger space to promote our culture of reading. Watch this space!



# Parent/Carer Survey

You will remember completing the Edurio Parent Survey earlier in this term. We have now received an overview of the results and we would like to thank all parents who contributed to the survey. We are very pleased with the survey results with the school exceeding the benchmark thresholds in all areas. We would like to thank parents for their wonderful comments about our school and also thank parents who engaged in the process constructively in order to offer us their views on how we can further support parents and make improvements to various aspects of the school's systems and processes. In the new academic year we will publish a series of 'you said, we did' responses to some of the areas of development parents highlighted. For now, please read below some of the wonderful feedback we received from the survey.

*"My children are very happy, they really like the teachers and feel like they are very inspiring. The teachers I have come across show great passion for the kids."*

*"Pastoral care... is fantastic!"*

*"Teachers knowing my child and his needs. Both my children have different needs and they know my child well and it comes across when they speak to me at parents evening."*

*"I am always fully informed of my child's work along with his behaviours and attitudes, the staff engagement towards the parents are incredible."*

*"Always feel well informed about my child's progress and events that are ongoing throughout the school year. Love the cards that get sent home when she has done well."*

*"They provide honest feedback if asked. They genuinely care about the pupils and it shows in their communication and actions."*

*"I feel I'm involved in every step of my child's journey."*

*"The way school has communicated with parents to support pupils with revision techniques and exam preparation has been great."*

*"Their open nature.... and that someone always returns my email or phone call. The teachers all seem to know my child well."*

*"Extremely supportive and welcoming..... Great communication."*

*"All the staff at parents' evenings are very friendly and approachable. When I have contacted school (rarely) the staff have contacted me and responded quickly."*

*"The staff take the time to listen to our questions and any concerns we have.... we are so pleased we chose this school for our daughter."*

# How have the Supporters of The Snaith School helped our school this year?

A huge thank you to the Supporters of The Snaith School for all that they do to raise money for our school. Their hard work is really appreciated as are the huge benefits our school feels from their fund raising.



# Pre-loved Uniform



A reminder that our pre-loved uniform is available throughout the whole year.

If you would like to donate any uniform items or would like to check our stock, please get in touch with the school. We have staff available throughout the summer break who can assist you with your query.

Alternatively you can always email us at [office@thesnaithschool.org.uk](mailto:office@thesnaithschool.org.uk) if you are looking for specific items for your child. We will respond to your email and confirm if we have availability of the items that you require.



# Attendance Counts

Being around teachers and friends in a school environment is the best way for pupils to learn and reach their potential. Time in school also keeps children safe and provides access to extra-curricular opportunities and pastoral care.



Being in school every day that it is open, is important to your child's achievement, wellbeing, and their wider development. Evidence shows that the pupils with the highest attendance throughout their time in school gain the best GCSE and A Level results. Generally, the higher the percentage of lessons missed across the key stage at KS3 and KS4, the lower the level of attainment at the end of the key stage.

If your child's attendance level is falling, then we will contact you to explore the reasons and discuss what help can be put in place.

If your child is struggling to attend school, you can expect us to meet with you and your child. The school want to understand the reasons for their absence and what we can do to support you or your child and what we can do to overcome the barriers to attendance they are experiencing.

# Lost Property



We have a huge amount of lost property in school. Please contact the school if your child has misplaced or lost any items. It is very likely that we have them in our lost property store. There are a lot of PE kits and coats.

Please can we remind parents and carers to label items, so that if they are lost or misplaced, they can be quickly returned.

# Key Dates

## Autumn Term 1 (2024)

Date	Event
2 Sep 2024	School training day - closed for pupils
3 Sep 2024	School opens for Years 7 and 11
3 Sep 2024	School photos for Years 7 and 11
4 Sep 2024	School opens for Years 8, 9 and 10
25 Sep 2024	MacMillan Coffee Morning
25 Sep 2024	Welcome to GCSE evening for Year 10
26 Sep 2024	Year 10 History Trip to Holocaust Museum
27 Sep 2024	Rewards Trip Day for Years 8-11 and Team Building Event in school for Year 7
2 Oct 2024	Year 10 Geography Trip to Hornsea
3 Oct 2024	Year 6 Open evening
10 Oct 2024	Year 7 & 8 Settling in evening
16 Oct 2024	Restart a Heart Day for Years 7 and 9
25 Oct 2024	Flu vaccinations - whole school
28 Oct 2024	Half term break for 1 week

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# Key Dates

## Autumn Term 2 (2024)

Date	Event
13 Nov 2024	Year 11 Steps to Success evening
15 Nov 2024	Flu vaccinations - catch up session
21 Nov 2024	Leavers Awards Evening and Art Exhibition
22 Nov 2024	Theatre Trip - Hairspray
28 Nov 2024	Options evening for Year 9
2 Dec 2024	Year 11 Mock exams
9 Dec 2024	Year 11 Mock exams
18 Dec 2024	Christmas Dinner Day
23 Dec 2024	Christmas Holiday Closure
6 Jan 2025	School training day - closed for pupils
7 Jan 2025	School reopens for pupils



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## Year Leaders for next year

Your first point of contact for any pastoral concerns you may have

<b>Year 7</b>	Mrs Cooper	▶ 01405 860327	▶ Option 2
<b>Year 8</b>	Mrs Anderson	▶ 01405 860327	▶ Option 2
<b>Year 9</b>	Mrs Mulley	▶ 01405 860327	▶ Option 3
<b>Year 10</b>	Mrs Price	▶ 01405 860327	▶ Option 3
<b>Year 11</b>	Mrs Charlton	▶ 01405 860327	▶ Option 3

## Report a Student Absence



**07375 025732**

Text Message



All absences must be reported before 9:30AM each day



**01405 860327** ▶ *Option 1*

Telephone



Please provide your child's full name, form group and the reason for absence



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