

Dear Parent/Carer,

17<sup>th</sup> January 2024

As we welcome pupils back to school, we hope you had a wonderful Christmas break and that your child is ready for the exciting few months ahead. As we embark on the new term, I would like to share some important information regarding upcoming events and crucial dates for our Year 11 pupils as we gear up for the summer GCSE exams.

**Mock Results Day:** Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2024

The mock results will be distributed to all Year 11 pupils on the morning of the 25th January. This will follow an assembly to the year group concerning the mock exam results and the next steps pupils should take in terms of revision, planning and exam preparation.

**Year 11 Progress Evenings:**

There will be two scheduled evenings for the two populations (X and Y). The dates for the evenings are detailed below:

Population X - 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024

Population Y - 7<sup>th</sup> February 2024

The evenings are online through SchoolCloud. Details on how to make your appointments will be sent out shortly.

**Steps to Success:** Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2024, 16:30 - 18:30

We would like to invite you and your child to a revision evening, where you will have the opportunity to:

- Attend a revision skills workshop to be able to better support your child at home. You will be given the opportunity to sign up to 3 revision workshops, 25 minutes each, delivered by subject leaders. Your child will be guided to which workshops would be beneficial for them by their subject teachers and by mock exam results. (More information on how to book a slot for the revision workshops will be distributed shortly)
- Have an introduction to GCSEpod on-line revision resource
- Meet Sally Mulligan, our Mind practitioner.
- Discuss college, apprenticeships and post-Snaith courses with our Careers team
- Discuss college applications with representatives from some of the colleges
- Find out more about the NCS (National Citizen Service) summer residential courses.

**Homework Timetable: Spring Term 1**

Please find attached a Year 11 homework timetable for the remainder of this half term. Another timetable for Spring Term 2 will be distributed at a later date. Homework plays an important part in your child's preparation for the summer exams, and we ask that you encourage your child to stay up to date with homework tasks. Also on the homework timetable is a list of revision topics for this half term, to support your child in revising in a systematic and organised way. The homework timetable is available to view on the school website: Our School – GCSE Support Materials or follow the link here: [Year-11 Homework-timetable-Spring-Term-1.pdf \(thesnaithschool.org.uk\)](#)

**5 o'clock Club** begins w/c 15<sup>th</sup> January, Monday to Thursday. This was very popular before and during the mock exams. It is a perfect place for quiet, individual revision and somewhere where homework and coursework can be completed.

**Period 6:** These after school revision sessions will commence w/c 19<sup>th</sup> February. More information will follow. A Spring/Summer term revision menu will also be distributed shortly.

### National Citizenship Service

Are you up for stepping outside your comfort zone, and spending five days with other young people learning new skills? The school have partnered with NCS (National Citizenship Service) which is an organisation that offers opportunities for pupils to go on residentials, meet new people and develop their personal skills. Use the QR code or follow the link to learn more.



<https://wearencs.com/>

We have worked with the NCS in previous years and many of our pupils took the opportunity to go on a residential in the summer following the exams. If your child is in receipt of the Pupil Premium, their place on a residential will be funded.

A representative from the NCS will be available to answer questions at the Steps to Success evening on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February.

College Open Events - 2024		
John Leggott	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> January	17:00-20:00
Askham Bryan	Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	Morning
Wyke	Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	09:00-15:00
North Lindsey College	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January	16:30-19:00
Bishop Burton	Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February	10:00-15:00
Selby College	Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February	Open Morning
York College	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	17:30-20:00
Bishop Burton	Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	Open Morning
York College	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	17:30-20:00
Please check individual college websites for further details and registration. The dates and time are correct at the time of collating.		

#### Message from Pontefract College – Application Deadline 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Applications are still taken after this date, but priority is given to students who applied before the deadline.

#### North Lindsey College – Apprenticeship Vacancy Event

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 16:30 - 18:30

Apply for current vacancies and log your interest in forthcoming opportunities.

Register at <https://northlindsey.ac.uk/events/apprentice-vacancy-event-tuesday-06-february-2024/>

## Leavers Hoodies

As is tradition for Year 11, we are writing to offer you the opportunity to purchase a Class of 2024 Leavers' Hoodie for your child.

We are working with Fizz Hoodies, the UK's premier supplier of Leavers' Hoodies, and are eagerly anticipating what is sure to be a wonderful keepsake to celebrate their time at the school.

The hoodies will have a large '24' print on the back, containing the names of all pupils in the year group, and will also feature an embroidered logo on the front.

Pupils can pick from a variety of different hoodie styles and a range of different colours. Pupils will also have the opportunity to personalise their hoodie with a nickname should they wish, at a small additional cost.

If you do not wish your child's name to appear on the hoodies, please email:

[office@thesnaithschool.org.uk](mailto:office@thesnaithschool.org.uk) before the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024 advising your child's full name. If we do not hear from you, we will assume permission to use.

All of the pupils have the opportunity to purchase a hoodie. It is essential that their orders are placed in plenty of time so that they do not miss out. **There will only be one order**; pupils will **not** be able to place orders after **10<sup>th</sup> March 2024**.

**To place an order, please visit the following website:**

**<https://shop.fizz-group.co.uk/>**

## Our School Unique ID is: 27405YR11

You must place an order before **10<sup>th</sup> March 2024**. I cannot stress this deadline enough, as we do not want anyone to be disappointed. The school will not be ordering any spare hoodies, so if your child later wishes they had ordered one once they see everyone's hoodies, unfortunately it will be too late! So please do not miss out.

I want to clarify that the hoodie is a souvenir from your child's time at The Snaith School and will not be permitted to be used as an alternative to school uniform in school. I want to be clear and transparent around this to avoid any upset.

We have been advised that the hoodies will not arrive in school for at least 10 weeks after the online shop closes but will arrive and be distributed before the pupils leave. All orders will be delivered direct to school.

## The Snaith School Prom 2024

I am delighted to announce that this year's prom will be held on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2024 at Cave Castle. The pupils have voted by a small majority to have a 2-course sit down meal. There will be a soft drink on arrival and a further two soft drinks throughout the evening included in the price of the

ticket. Additionally, drinks will be available for the children to purchase throughout the evening should they wish.

We are launching the “Passport to the Prom” with the pupils this week, where full details of the criteria to be invited to prom will be given. The criteria is achievable by all pupils and we will share this with you in a separate letter. We hope that every member of the year group will be able to enjoy this special evening together. Pupils will be advised about the importance of attending school, behaving well and having a positive attitude towards their learning.

A photographer has been arranged for the evening and pupils will be able to purchase photographs during the evening as well as online after the event. More details will be available nearer the time.

The ticket price is yet to be confirmed by the venue. We are aware of the cost-of-living crisis facing everyone, we will attempt to reduce the ticket cost for everyone by fundraising throughout the spring and summer terms. We are planning a “Valentine's Bake Sale”. This will be held on the 8<sup>th</sup> February and we would like to ask for pupils to bring in something towards the bake sale. Any donations of buns, cakes, brownies, cookies etc will be much appreciated but please no foods containing nuts, as we are a nut-free school.

If you have any questions regarding hoodies or Prom, please contact Mrs Mulley, Pastoral Leader for Year 11.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Ian Williams  
Director of English

Mrs L Mulley  
Year 11 Pastoral Leader