

# FULFORD SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

*January 2020*

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*Jonah Stevens*



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*Zetta Butler*



**Student Secretary**

*Rose Cook*



**Well-Being Leader Well-Being Leader**

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*Amelia Hardman Jonathan Sharp*



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*Ewan Loughlan*



## Fulford School Student Council

# Headteacher's Welcome

Mr S Lewis



It's hard to believe we are already four weeks into the spring term. A lot has happened in school and you have hopefully been informed of our weekly updates via our weekly Parent/Carer Notes. We have welcomed Mr Harris to School as our new Deputy Head Teacher. Since starting, he has launched our new rewards system and led a celebration of the fantastic achievements our pupils demonstrate on a daily basis.

We have continued to support attendance. We understand that pupils get ill and also need to attend appointments in school time. We do not want pupils to come to school when they are genuinely poorly but we do encourage them to attend whenever possible. We also continue to ask that no holidays are booked in term time. I appreciate the difficulties this may cause some families but the importance of good attendance cannot be overestimated. It really does have an impact on pupils' achievement in school.

We were very excited to appoint our new head students and sixth form leadership team:

Head Boy and Head Girl: Jonah Stevens and Zetta Buttler

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They will lead a whole school council made up of pupils across the school. It will be an influential body that will champion issues that are important to our school and wider community.

Our consultation over school uniform is well underway. Thank you for all those who have commented. Whilst there are many different views on school uniform, I am sure that following a robust debate and involvement of all stakeholders, we will be able to come to a decision that can be supported by the whole school community.

# Headteacher's Welcome

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Finally, this term also saw the launch of the new rewards system led by our new Deputy Headteacher—Mr Harris. This includes rewards for behaviour, attendance and for meeting the schools' HEART core values. The first set of assemblies saw:

- ♦ An overwhelming amount of teacher's positivity for the students, with an amazing number of positive shout-outs,
- ♦ The giving out of 640 certificates for student's excellent attendance,
- ♦ The awarding of 320 certificates for students with perfect behaviour, with no negatives,
- ♦ Prize draws in each assembly, with 12 students being the lucky winner of an Amazon Voucher.

Half-termly rewards assemblies are planned to further celebrate the fantastic achievements of the students at Fulford. These will focus on both excellence and improvement. In addition, we are looking to create celebration events, with activities such as end of year Rewards Trip and film events for attendance and behaviour offered to our students. Further Student Voice will be completed to build on the current ideas and ensure rewards are worthwhile, achievable and students are included.

<b><u>Award Winners of the Amazon Vouchers</u></b>	
Year 7	Jayden Felton Natalie Cozens Naomi Predergast
Year 8	Lucas Whitehead Seongjun Moon Aiden Usher
Year 9	James Pagan Will Horrox Luke Farmer
Year 10	Alice Spencer Joshua Dagwell Sophie Gravill
Year 11	Evie Bradley William Marjoram

# Key Stage 3

Mr J Bonsels

The Y7 girls' football team are kicking up a storm on the pitch lately! In mid-January they played in Round 3 of U12's PlayStation Cup away at Malet Lambert School (Hull). This was a tough proposition for the girls, who had to overcome an academy goalkeeper playing for the away team. However, after an initial set-back, they came back from 2-1 to win 5-2! Goals from Florence Anderson, Abigail Miller (2) and Emma Nurse (2) secured the win. Miss Sweet said the girls' positive attitude, communication and resilience were outstanding. In addition, six of these girls also competed in a five-a-side football tournament and managed to come out victorious! Well done to all those involved.

Elsewhere a group of forty Y7 students had the opportunity to watch a live stage show at the National STEM Centre, specially designed to inspire children from a wide diversity of backgrounds to consider STEM careers. It was hosted by the BBC presenter and scientist Fran Scott. Hopefully it will provide motivation for some of these students to follow a career in STEM in the future.



## STUDENT OF THE MONTH

**Jacob Garnham:** "An amazing specialised cell model for science" Mrs Faint

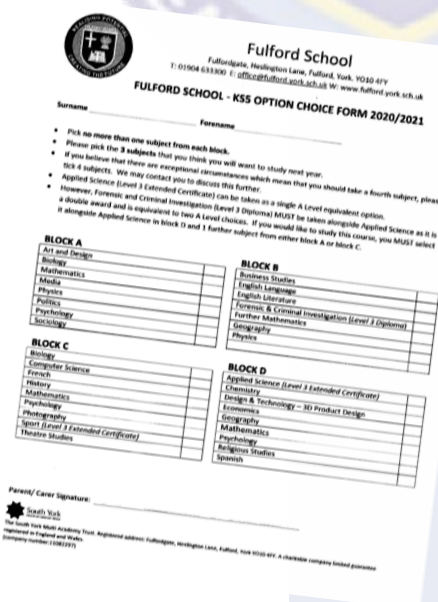
**James Andersson:** "An amazing attitude in Computing" Mr Dring



# Key Stage 4

Mr M Carson

The start to 2020 has been busy for all KS4 students. Y11 returned from the Christmas break to think about their next steps. This time of year is when Y11 apply for the next stage of their education and our students are fortunate to have so many options for their post-16 education: York College, Askham Bryan, local businesses, sixth forms across York and, of course, our own Sixth Form at Fulford are all excellent options to choose. To aid their decisions, students have had taster sessions and visits to all these options and they have also had a meeting with a senior member of staff to discuss their next steps. Informed by the recent Y11 reports, the meetings were to ensure that the students were organised and on track to apply for and achieve the grades to secure a place on their path. Soon Y11 will also have a Revision Skills Day—Wednesday 12th February—that will teach our students some key ways in which to manage their way through the exams. In the evening (5.30-6.30pm), parents will also have the opportunity to learn some of the techniques delivered earlier in the day to our students. A letter has gone out and we would welcome contributions for this event.



The image shows a 'Fulford School - KS5 OPTION CHOICE FORM 2020/2021'. It includes the school's name, address (Fulfordgate, Heslington Lane, Fulford, York YO10 4FY), phone number (01904 633300), email (office@fulford.sch.uk), and website (www.fulford.york.sch.uk). The form is for students to select their post-16 subjects. It includes instructions: 'Pick no more than one subject from each block', 'Please pick the 3 subjects that you think you will want to study next year', and 'If you believe that there are exceptional circumstances which mean that you should take a fourth subject, please tick 4 subjects. We may contact you to discuss this further.' It also mentions that Applied Science (Level 3 Extended Certificate) can be taken as a single A Level equivalent option, and Forensic & Criminal Investigation (Level 3 Diploma) MUST be taken alongside Applied Science as it is a double award and is equivalent to two A Level choices. If you would like to study this course, you MUST select it alongside Applied Science in block D and 1 further subject from either block A or block C. The form is divided into four blocks of subjects: Block A (Art and Design, Biology, Mathematics, Media, Physics, Politics, Psychology, Sociology), Block B (Business Studies, English Language, English Literature, Forensic & Criminal Investigation (Level 3 Diploma), Further Mathematics, Geography, Physics), Block C (Biology, Computer Science, French, History, Mathematics, Psychology, Economics, Geography, Photography, Sport (Level 3 Extended Certificate), Theatre Studies), and Block D (Applied Science (Level 3 Extended Certificate), Chemistry, Design & Technology - 3D Product Design, Economics, Geography, Mathematics, Psychology, Religious Studies, Spanish). There is a section for Parent/Carer Signature and a small logo for 'Study Web'.



Finally, we are proud to announce that our Geography team came second in a recent competition held in Bootham School. Harvey Jackson, Jess Waller, James Cook – all from Y10— competed in an inter-school Geographical Association Geography competition, taking ten private and state schools. They were in joint first place all the way up to the end and they only lost out by a couple of points on some very unlucky hard questions.

## STUDENT OF THE MONTH

**Benji Goulding:** “Excellent performance in recent test and massively improved chess skills” Mr Calderwood

**Elena Kershaw:** “For an outstanding improvement in English this term” Mr Bond

# Key Stage 5

Mrs K Jenner

The 6<sup>th</sup> Form have had a busy start to the year. Eight Y13 have applied to University through UCAS, many have received offers, including two for Oxbridge. A number of students have also applied for high-quality Apprenticeships. Y13 survived their Mock week in the 1<sup>st</sup> week back after Christmas, which took place in the main hall in exam conditions.

Earlier this term, eighty sixth formers from Fulford School and Huntington School enjoyed the crime conference run by True Life Conferences, organised by Ms Zeki. Students engaged with the two speakers, who talked about why they had committed crime and their life behind bars. Students were even given the opportunity to dress in prison clothing.



Finally, we held elections for the new Head Student roles. Each candidate had the daunting job of presenting their ideas to all Year groups who then voted for their favourite boy and girl. The candidates included: Joe Ward, Jonah Stevens, Zetta Butler, Ava Haughton and Tim Daft. They were all incredible and a real credit to the school. Congratulations to Zetta Butler, who was appointed Head Girl and Jonah Stevens, Head Boy, both with 59% of the vote. Further interviews took place for other Student Leadership posts and for all appointments please see the front page.



# Extra Curricular

## Drama

The Drama department had a fantastic trip to see “Matilda” in London on the 15<sup>th</sup> January. Due to our involvement with the RSC Associate School’s project, we were offered tickets at a greatly reduced price. The show was amazing - from the gymnastic Miss Trunchball to students stomping on desks, and pupils being swung around by their pigtails, there was non-stop drama! The students were also able to enjoy a look around Covent Garden and watch some of the street performers.



Meanwhile, the final rehearsals for this year’s school show “Peter Pan” are taking place. Tickets will be available soon at lunchtime and break. The show runs from the 12-14<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm. All we now need is a little bit of fairy dust and we will be ready!

## Sport

Apart from the amazing Y7 girls football team which has done phenomenally well this term, our Y7 Hockey team has also done very well. In their recent games, the Fulford team won 3-1 and B team lost 3-1. They played brilliantly despite the wet and freezing conditions! Players of the match were Ffion Lloyd and Catherine Wilson. A special mention to Emma Train for a great debut in goal.



Fulford School Presents an Amateur Production by Arrangements with  
International Theatre and Music Limited

# PETER PAN



£6

12<sup>TH</sup> 13<sup>TH</sup> 14<sup>TH</sup> FEB

7 PM SCHOOL HALL

£4 CONCESSIONS



Peter Pan the Musical Book, Music and Lyrics by Piers Chater Robinson Based on  
the Novel by J. M. Barrie



# House Update

Miss F Chapman

Mr S Lacy

Mr S Copeland

Mr P Gatenby



There has been a great response to improving form attendance this month. Many forms have had 100% attendance and there have been joint winners each week. Well done to everyone in making form attendance a success.

	Week 16	Week 17	Week 18
Apollo	AO-SHO/LN	AO-PDR	AO-SHO/LN
	AO-TBO	AO-PHK	
	AO-TR		
Athena	AE-HD	AE-HH	AE-CCL
	AE-LG/YHL		AE-HD
	AE-LNI		
Artemis	AM-HS	AM-SLY	AM-AML
Atlas	AS-KS	AS-FG	AS-CW

In addition, we have so many fabulous students across all four Houses who are working well and gaining the top amount of positives through Class Charts Awards (see below). Congratulations to all our students and we are looking forward to giving more praise out in February!

Kent Francesca	Wright Oliver	Rowson Ellie	Price Billy
Van Kalsbeek-Baxter Eva	Jackson Oliver	Roper Ben	Hobson Emily
Murray Matthew	Block Emily	Bassi Alex	Clark Georgia
Marley Cherry	Goodhead Ira	Tonkins Max	Shaw Ruby
Naish Joe	Shaw Kiri	Holmes Fin	Diagostino Cummings Izzy
Morgan Katie	Cunningham Rosalyn	Jones Matthew	Welsh Hester
Leach Maisie	Mawer Amber	Knowles Luke	Liew Joe
Hudson Evie	Wells Erin	Farnsworth Naina	Carew Thomas
Venton Abigail	Hind Thomas	Copeland Jack	Oh Kevin
Sturgess Arthur	Hunter Beth	Wardell Henry	Turner Katie
	Cartwright Billy	Stonehouse Lana	
		Williams Kaz	

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This term our students across the Houses have joined in to elect two Head Students. Following a week long election campaign including assemblies presented by the candidates and form debate activities, all students had the opportunity to cast their vote. The winners were announced and the School Council has started to take shape. There will be opportunities for lower school students to take part in more debates in order to support the development of the student voice. For an overview of the campaign, please see earlier pages.

For more House information please see earlier pages.

## KEY DATES

Key Stage 3	Key Stage 4	Key Stage 5
30th Jan: Y8E parents evening 4th Feb: Y8H parents evening 7th Feb: Y7 reports	12th Feb: Y11 Progress Review 12th Feb: Y11 Study Skills day and Parents' Info Evening (5.30pm) 14th Feb: Y10 reports	31st Jan: Y12 reports 7th Feb: Y12 Art Trip 14th Feb: Y13 Krakow trip 13th Feb-18th Feb: Y12/13 Washington trip
<b>General</b>		
17th—23rd Feb: Half term		

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