

# The Eagle Newsletter



Year 10 - Volume 5

### The Duke of Edinburgh Award

At Hessle High School, two levels of The Duke of Edinburgh Award (DofE) are run: Bronze in Year 9 and Silver in Year 10. The Awards have proved popular and successful for the past 5 years since it has been reintroduced to the school, with over 300 students participating.

The DofE Award is a unique and highly regarded program that offers our students the chance to develop personally, socially, and physically.

The award requires students to balance schoolwork, extracurricular activities, and the DofE commitments. This teaches effective time management and prioritization, teamwork, leadership, collaboration and communication skills.



#### Here's why students join the program!

- · Pushes students outside of their comfort zone
- · Building mental and emotional resilience
- · How to deal with adversity
- · How to push through difficult situation

The volunteering section, which is personally my favourite, encourages our students to contribute to their local community, whether that's through helping a charity, working with younger children, or supporting environmental initiatives. This fosters a sense of social responsibility.

Many employers and universities value the skills and qualities that DofE participants develop, such as leadership, dedication, and problemsolving. It also looks impressive on any CV/college application. The experiences, especially the expeditions and teamwork, can also create lifelong friendships and memories.

By taking part in the DofE Award, students gain not just a certificate, but a comprehensive set of skills and experiences that are highly valued; providing an opportunity for growth, learning, and adventure, all while enhancing employability and contributing positively to society. For whatever reasons students decide to join the DofE Awards, I am proud of each of our them - past and present, not forgetting our amazing staff who support them to challenge themselves.

I must also thank our parents who allow them to undertake this wonderful opportunity.

Kind Regards Miss K Moore





# Head of Year 10 Updates

Hello and welcome to The Eagle. As we creep ever closer to the Summer Holiday, we enter a very busy period for the Year 10's.

Year 10 students will complete Mock exams between the 18 – 27 June 2025; each student receiving a personalised exam timetable. This will show the date, time and seat number of their exams.



#### Please note the following points:

- Most exams will take place in the Sports Hall in formal exam conditions
- We expect the highest standard of behaviour to allow all students the opportunity to do their very best.
- Students will not have an exam in every lesson, only for the times and dates shown
- When students do not have an exam, they must go to their normal lesson
- We strongly encourage 100% attendance to all formal mock exams
- We know these periods can be stressful, but dealing with this stress and being resilient is what we are trying to prepare the students for in the Summer 2026 GCSEs. Next Summer, we are not able to reschedule an exam under any circumstances as these follow a national timetable
- If a student is ill and misses an exam they would receive an ungraded qualification; the same principle applies to our mock exam series; this decision is again to replicate the real GCSE exams
- The results of these mock exams alongside the Year 11 Autumn mocks will provide the basis for predicted grades for Sixth Form, college and apprenticeship applications. It is important that your child engages with this process and tries their very best in these mock exams
- The results of these exams will be shared with the students towards the end of term in a mock "results day" event and will be emailed home with their end of year reports towards the end of the summer term.

We greatly appreciate your ongoing support in encouraging your child to engage actively with their revision, ensuring they approach their exams with confidence and achieve their very best.

# Head of Year 10 Updates

Congratulations to S. Avison who competed at the Bronte Archers Spring weekend (Yorkshire Archery Association) County Championship. Winning four awards in total:

1st Place U16 Women's Recurve County Champion

1st Place Yorkshire County Overall Women's Junior Recurve Champion

1st Place Bronte U16 girl's recurve

1st Place Bronte overall Junior Ladies Recurve

S.Avison shot a double Bristol 111 (300 arrows in total) in strong gusty weather which kept changing direction. Shooting at 50yrds, 40yrds and 30yrds. Really well done and keep up the great work, we are all very proud.



Congratulations must also go to C.Redshaw, who represented the East Riding v Havering FC in the English Schools Football Association National Under 15 Football Final. Playing at the Stoke City FC Stadium, it was a close, hard-fought game finishing in a draw 0-0. With the game going to penalties, each shot was important with each player managing to hit the target. Charlie taking the fourth penalty (Charlie telling me "It was the best pen ever!")

The East Riding Team managing to take the win. Winning 7-6.

Charlie has represented the East Riding of two years and plays for Elloughton FC.

Mr L Julian Head of Year 10

Mrs N Green Assistant Head of Year 10

### **Attendance Matters**

every student, on time, every day



### Did you know



students don't attend school regularly

### It's never too late to improve attendance

- Going to school more often will make a difference
- Attendance habits will follow your child into work and life



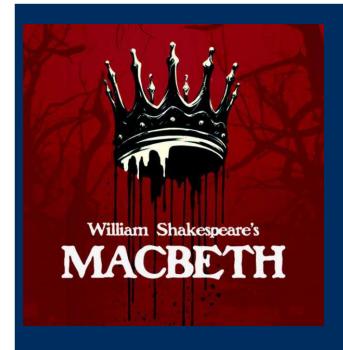
### What families can do ...

- ✓ Be firm: send your child to school every day, all day, unless they are unwell
- ✓ Develop good sleep and morning routines
- Schedule appointments and extracurricular activities outside of school
- ✓ Avoid taking holidays during term time
- ✓ Seek help early before your concerns become serious

### Each day missed ...

- Puts your child behind and makes it harder for them to catch up
- Can lead to lower achievement in reading and writing
- Can lead to gaps in learning
- Makes school completion less likely
- Makes the transition into a career less likely to be successful

# English



This term, our Year 10 students continued their studies of *Macbeth* and *Jekyll & Hyde*.

After half-term, students will be preparing for their endof-year mock exams, which will be a Language Paper 1 on 19 June and a Literature Paper 1 on 23 June.





Alana T (10C3) has been working hard every lesson, producing work of an impressive quantity and quality!

Zahra H (10A2) continues to impress with her perceptive questions and insights.

Jack E's (10P1) attitude and effort are absolutely exemplary every single lesson.

### Maths

Year 10 Mock Exam - Revision Topics (Foundation)				
Retrieval Topics	Sparx			
Unit Conversions	U388			
FDP Conversions	U176			
Rounding	U480, U298, U731, U965			
Fraction arithmetic	U793, U439, U475, U224, U544, U538, U874			
Simple probabilities	U408, U510, U683			
Standard form	U330, U534, U264, U290, U 161			
Solving 2 step equations	U325			
Expanding brackets	U179, U 768			
Factorise to one brackets	U365			
Averages	U526, U456, U260, U291			
Area formula	U226, U934, U945, U575, U424, U265, U970			
Simple percentages	U554, U349			

Our Year 10 students are preparing for the mock exams which will take place between the 19-30 of June. Students are completing work to finish the scheme of learning alongside bespoke revision sessions/activities to allow success in this mock series.

Mock papers and revision materials will be given to students for independent learning. <a href="https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk">www.mathsgenie.co.uk</a> is a valuable resource which allow students to identify a topic, watch a video explanation and complete past paper questions on this. Please see infographic for Foundation and Higher tier revision topics.

Year 10 Mock Exam - Revision Topics (Higher)				
Retrieval Topics	Sparx			
Pytahgoras	U385, U828			
Error Intervals	U657, U301			
Volume of prisms	U786, U174, U915			
Fraction arithmetic	U793, U439, U475, U224, U544, U538, U874			
Index Laws	U235, U694			
Standard form	U330, U534, U264, U290, U161			
Probabality and Venn Diagrams	U476, U748, U699			
Compound Measures	U151, U265, U910, U527, U842			
Unit Conversions	U388			
Factorising	U365			
Solving 3 step equations	U325			
Angles in parallel lines and polygons	U826, U427			

PE

#### **Theory Curriculum**

Our Year 10 GCSE PE students have made a strong start to the theoretical aspects of the course, developing essential knowledge that underpins effective performance in sport and physical activity. This term, the focus has been on three key areas:

#### **Components of Fitness**

Students have been exploring the different components of fitness, and how these relate to specific sports. Through practical examples and analysis, they've been learning to apply this knowledge to both their own performance and that of elite athletes.

#### **Principles of Training**

Students have been introduced to the key principles that guide effective training programmes, including specificity, overload, progression, reversibility, and F.I.T.T.

#### **Injury Prevention**

An important part of the curriculum has focused on how to reduce the risk of injury during physical activity. Students have looked at warm-up and cool-down routines, the importance of correct technique and equipment, and how training plans can be structured to minimise injury.



Lucy D (10P3) Leon M (10A3) Aland O (10C2) Our Year 10 Art students have been exploring artists for their Portraits project which is their main coursework for the term. They have reproduced the chosen artist's styles on their own portraits and are moving on to photoshoots to develop their ideas.

Our Year 10 Photography students have been working on their Portraits

project and have looked at the photographer John Rankin or Wes Naman and are now preparing for their final shoot.







Maddison E (10C1) Kiara H (10A2) Harriet D (1001) Grace O (10A2) Caitlin D (10A2) Oliver I (10C2)



Our Year 10 students are in the middle of a topic about Wealth and Poverty.

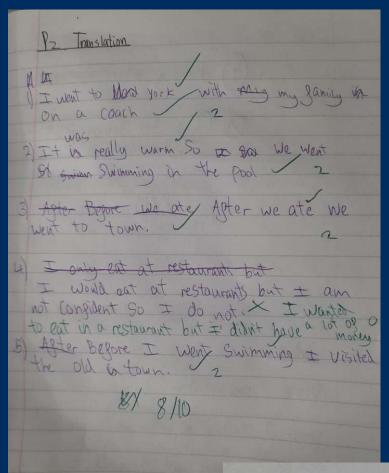
We have looked at the causes and consequences of poverty.

We will move on to look at charitable organisations and how they try to overcome poverty.



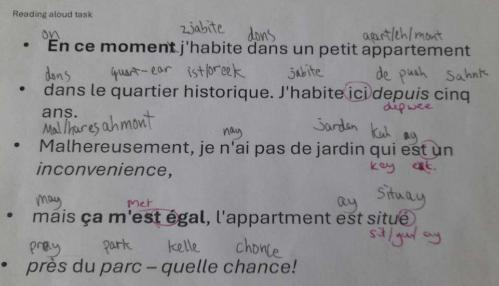
10E/Rs3 - for great engagement and discussion in all lessons!

Well done!



Our Year 10 French students had the chance to visit the Odeon cinema and watch a French film, Belle and Sebastian. This covered a plethora of vocab we have been learning and also had a lovely story behind it which linked to their history studies.

In class, students are building up to end of year exams (we also do an end of year speaking in July) and our focus has been on tenses and writing at length. They have made super progress his year!

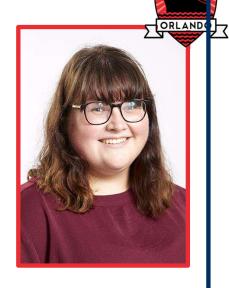




Well done to Jack H (1002) for focus in lessons!

# Orlando House Updates

It seems crazy that it was only six weeks ago since we completed our Charity Day in aid of WISHH. It seems like so many things have happened since then and that we couldn't have possibly fit it into that amount of time. It also seems crazy that we officially only have seven school weeks left to the end of the school year. Within those seven weeks we have plenty to look forward to including sports day, rewards trips, Year 9 Enterprise day and Year 10 work experience week.



Miss R Bishop Head of Orlando House

Following on from our charity day on the 2 April, I am pleased to say we raised a massive £1,023.72. This included some huge donations including Poppie A in 801 who raised £101 and Evelyn C in 703 who won an Easter egg after raising £75 and getting 7 entries to the raffle. I just want to say a huge thank you to everyone who took part in the Easter egg hunt and from all students and families who raised money for our amazing charity.

I also wanted to give you all an update on house points as I see all the hard work that students do and how much effort they put into their work. Well done to the following students for having the highest house points so far in their year groups!

Year 7: Dylan B, 701 (2195)

Year 8: Stella W, 803 (1661)

Year 9: Megan T, 902 (1404)

Year 10: Dexter O, 1001 (1474)

Year 11: Georgia C, 1102 (1614)

# Portia House Updates

As we step into the exciting and vibrant Summer Term, I am thrilled to share with you the events and opportunities that lie ahead. The days are growing longer, the weather is warming, and there's a renewed sense of energy across the school as we move towards the final stretch of the academic year.

I continue to be immensely proud of Portia House students as they continue to achieve in lessons, being ready for the school day and in their extra-curricular pursuits. Year 11 are well under way with their GCSE written exams, with practical exams already in the bag, and I wish them continued success for all their hard work and



Miss E Foster
Head of Portia House

We have achieved 237, 831 house points so far this year, which is an increase of 25, 855 this term! We remain in second place but are racing towards closing the gap with a view to winning the House Cup.

Top tutor groups this term are:

7P1 - 3334

determination.

8P1 - 2877

9P3 - 2222

10P1 - 2315

11P1 - 798

Keep up the great work and let's give it one final push to get back on top.

#### **House Captains**

As several of our House Captains are in Year 11 they will be moving on to their further education provision next academic year. Vacancies are advertised for students to apply for on our House board. Once the new team is in place, we will meet regularly to discuss developments for our Charity Day, Sports Day and the new academic year. This is a very exciting time to have some new ideas for Portia House.

# Portia House Updates



#### **House Charity**

House Charities are changed bi-annually and we are nearing the end of our affiliation with our charity Downright Special. I am currently sourcing other local charities, who would greatly benefit from our fundraising ventures We will announce our new charity shortly.

#### **Events and competitions**

Thank you to all students who entered the 'New Life' competition, capturing various elements of new life and the essence of spring within their shots. Some beautiful woodland and flowers beginning to bud were entered however the winner with their stunning photo of a sleepy ewe with her lambs against a stunning sun rise was Arthur N in 8P3. Artur has received house points and a bag of sweets for his entry, congratulations Arthur!



#### And finally...

There has been a slight change to the date of our Charity Day which is now **Tuesday 8 July.** Once the new House Captaincy is established, we will be working hard to plan a successful day that will be fun and challenging for all participants. More information to follow.

# Cassio House Updates

The first half of the summer term has been a fantastic one for Cassio House, filled with energy, enthusiasm, and a great sense of community spirit.

A huge highlight has been our **Charity Day**, which was a resounding success. The sun shone brightly as students and staff came together to raise funds for **Roux's Army**, with a fun-filled day of activities, including a highly competitive inter-tutor **rounders tournament**. A fantastic effort from all involved! The total amount raised will be revealed in the **Celebration Assembly** after half-term.



Mr E Griffiths Head of Cassio House



Our creative students have also been busy, submitting fantastic entries into both the 'New Life' photography competition and the ever-popular 'Cutest Pet' competition – thank you to everyone who took part and shared their talents (and adorable animals!).

Looking ahead, we are excited to soon announce our **new House Captains** and confirm our **new House Charity** for the next academic year.

As we move into the business end of the **House Cup**, Cassio House is in a **strong position** thanks to the impressive number of **House Points** accumulated by our students over the year.

With **Sports Day** approaching in the final week of term, every participation point will count – and we are aiming high to take home the **Sports Day Cup**!

Let's finish the year strong, team Cassio!



# **Ariel House Updates**

I am proud to share the latest news from **Ariel House**, where our students continue to embody the values of leadership, creativity, and teamwork.

Students were excited to take part in their **Charity Day on Friday 23 May**. Students participated in games, skills and activities to raise money for a cause close to their heart. We will update on funds raised shortly.



Miss A Deveney Head of Ariel House

Students were asked to collect sponsorship money to participate in the day. We had our charity **Humber Rescue** onsite training us on how to be a member of the lifeguard team. It was a fun and meaningful day.

#### Recent Highlights:

**Inter-House Competition:** Ariel House proudly took lots of photos of 'New Life' during the last half term. Well done to all participants!

**Easter Raffle**: Students raised a massive £135 from the Hessle Easter Hamper where all money raised will be split between the four house charities. Thank you for all your Easter donations and a massive congratulations to the following winners:

**1st Place:** Freddie T- 7A2

Runners Up: Alfie D- 701, Keiron S- 10A2, Will H- 11A2

#### **©** Focus for this term:

We're emphasizing **leadership**, **integrity**, **and inclusion**. Students are encouraged to take on leadership roles in upcoming events and mentor younger peers across year groups as we are soon to welcome the Year 6 transition students to Hessle.

### **Ariel House Updates**



#### Students of the Half Term:

Charlie C (9A3)- always working hard around school and is a great member of the Ariel captains' team.

Will H (11A2)- always raising money for our charity and supports every raffle and event that takes place.

Patryk K (8A1)- for going above and beyond with extra-curricular activities and always gives 100%.

As we've moved into the final half term of the year, let's keep the momentum going. Thank you to every student, staff and family member who continues to make Ariel House a vibrant and supportive community. Go Team Ariel!





# **House Points**









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### Extra Curricular clubs

Please see our Extra Curricular clubs available;

Club	Day	Year Group	Club	Day	Year Group
Badminton	Monday	7 to 10	Choir	Wednesday	7 to 11
School Production Rehearsals	Tuesday/ Wednesday/ Thursday	7 to 11	Open Music Rehearsal	Tuesday	7 to 11
Rugby	Monday	7 to 11	Dungeons & Dragons	Friday	7 to 11
Netball	Tuesday	7 to 11			
Fitness/Gym	Wednesday	7 to 10			
Boys Football	Thursday	7 to 11			
Tigers Trust Girls Football	Thursday	7 to 11			
Cheerleading	Friday	7 to 11			
Bridgehead Project	Wednesday	7 to 10			
Scalextric/ Electronics & Greenpower	Tuesday	7 to 10			

### **Events**

#### Year 9 and 10 Football Teams

Our Year 9 and Year 10 boys football teams ended their seasons on a high by winning their respective East Riding Plate Finals. Our Year 9 team delivered a commanding performance with a 4-0 victory over Driffield School, while the Year 10 team showed great composure and determination to secure a 3-1 win against Headlands. Both teams should be proud of their achievements and the excellent football they played throughout the competition. Well done!



### **Events**





#### **VE Day**

Our students attended talks with Tony and Patrick who are local members of our local RBL, talking to them about Victory of Europe Day events throughout our region.

#### Year 10 Rugby League

Our experienced Year 10 rugby league team continues to impress, securing their place in the East Riding Schools Semi-Final with a dominant 24-0 victory over Cottingham.

Displaying excellent teamwork, discipline, and skill, the squad demonstrated why they are considered one of the top teams in the competition. Confidence is high as they look ahead to the next stage.

Well done!

#### British Arts Awards

Well done to Lily J who competed in the British Arts Awards London 2025!

A fantastic performance.



# **Key Dates and Notices**

Mock Examinations	Wednesday 18 – Friday 27 June 2025		
Careers Week	Monday 30 June 2025		
Work Experience	Wednesday 2 – Friday 4 July 2025		
Aspirational Dinner	Tuesday 8 July 2025		
Sports Day	Wednesday 16 July 2025		
End of Term (13:45 Finish)	Friday 18 July 2025		



Please click <u>here</u> to see all of our term dates

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