



Newsletter

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THE EAST YORKSHIRE
SIXTH FORM**

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Our Review of the Autumn Term

*A Celebration of our Pupils' and
Students' Achievements*



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SEPTEMBER

In September we welcomed back our Woldgate family as well as saying 'hello' to our new Year 7 pupils.



Photo taken prior to March.

"It felt really good to be back in a classroom."

"I am loving the new subjects we get to do."

We also celebrated the contribution made to her community by one of our outstanding Year 13 students.

Genevieve F: one of our most talented musicians, refused to let the lockdown stop her playing.

Gen is one of our most accomplished musicians and she has been using the last few months to pursue her passion for all things musical. Gen has:

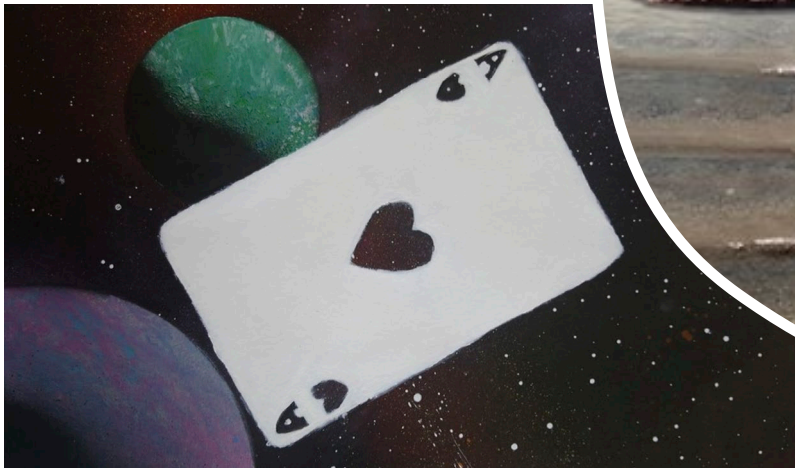
- Taught herself to play the accordion and guitar
- Started a violin quartet with another student
- Worked at a local instrument shop repairing violins, violas and cellos
- Raised £86.50 towards the upkeep of her local church building



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*We shared some
beautiful Media
photography on the
theme of Time by
Lucy Johnson in Year
9 as well as stunning
Year 11 Art.*



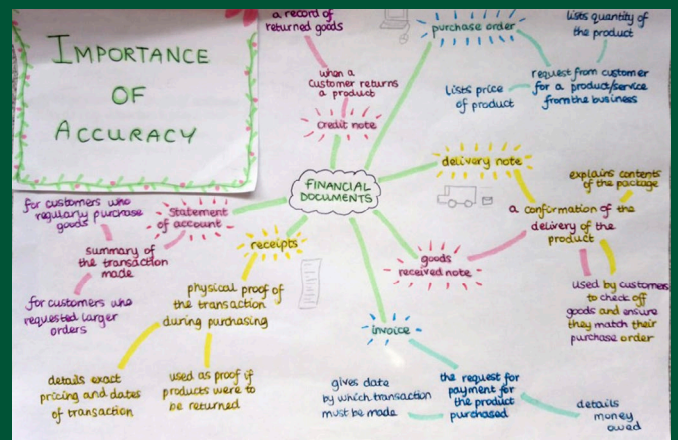
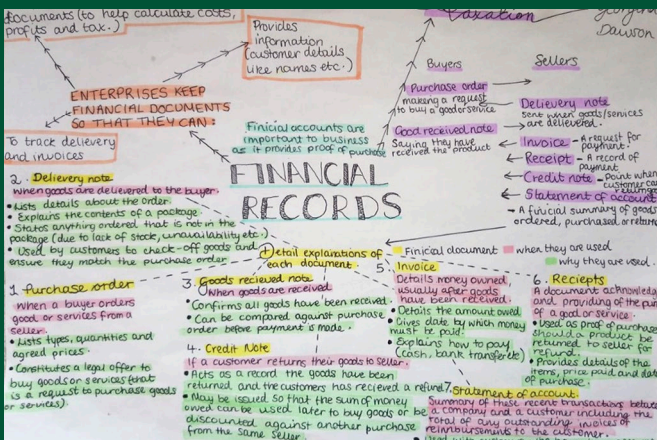
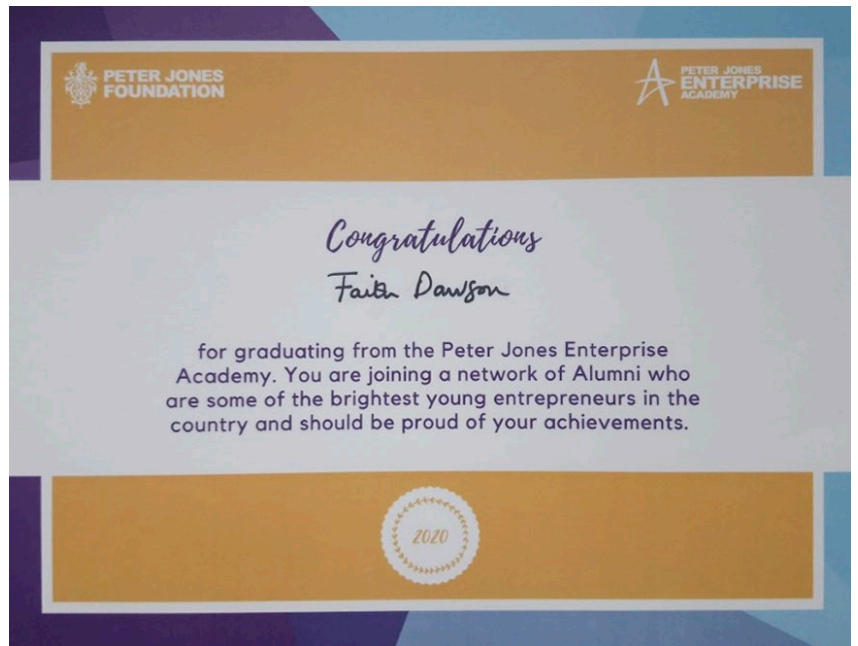
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Finally, in September, there was national recognition of the work of our Business Studies students.

Spotlight on Business Studies

The school was proud to receive notice that seven Sixth Form students from last year's Year 13, have graduated from the prestigious Peter Jones Enterprise Academy. The students had to prove themselves as entrepreneurs by completing a range of challenges. More of our students are expected to graduate next year thanks to the support of Ms Russell and their own hard work, ingenuity and commitment.



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OCTOBER

In October we proudly recognised the sporting achievements of some of our talented pupils and students.



Georgina's not just playing around

Georgina in Year 10 is a talented golfer and we are delighted to hear about her success.

Georgina writes:

At the age of 8, I began playing golf, starting with beginners coaching and occasional practising with my dad, who is also a keen golfer. It is only in the past two years I have started to train a lot more and play in many competitions. This has led to a major decrease in my handicap and winning a number of trophies and prizes.

Last year, I was given the opportunity to be Junior Captain of my golf club and I hope to fulfil this role into next year due to the lack of chances to play competitions this year. I have also been very lucky in receiving coaching with the elite Yorkshire Girls' Golf Group.

Well done Georgina and we look forward to hearing all about your future progress within the sport.

Yasmine in Year 13 is our very own judo superstar. Here she writes about her involvement in the sport.

I have been doing judo since I was 5. I started at Haltemprice Judo Club - I now coach the sessions based in Pocklington. Which is one of the best parts of judo for me. I now train with York RI Judo Club, Huddersfield Judo Club, East Yorkshire Judo Academy and Haltemprice Judo Club I also train at the regional team sessions. Before lockdown I was training 5 or 6 days a week in preparation for the British Schools Championship. I won silver in my age and weight category.



Photo
taken prior
to March.



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The Woldgate Equestrian Team has been busy over the past six months, both before and after lockdown. We are really pleased that we have new members from Years 7 and 8, and other members who have re-joined and started training and competing with the team again.



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Chad is our Champion

Chad Beevers in Year 11 is crowned British Quad 250 Open Champion.



Photo taken prior to March.

Holly in Year 11 is a Cricketing Sensation

Holly started playing cricket when she was only 7. She quickly showed her potential as a batter and wicket keeper playing club cricket at Woodhouse Grange Cricket Club. Holly first played for Yorkshire in 2016 and is now a regular member of the team. She has also played for East Yorkshire Under 11,13 and 15's and in the Sessay Women's team for the past two years.



Photo taken prior to March.



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Tilly in Year 11 is our Dressage Superstar

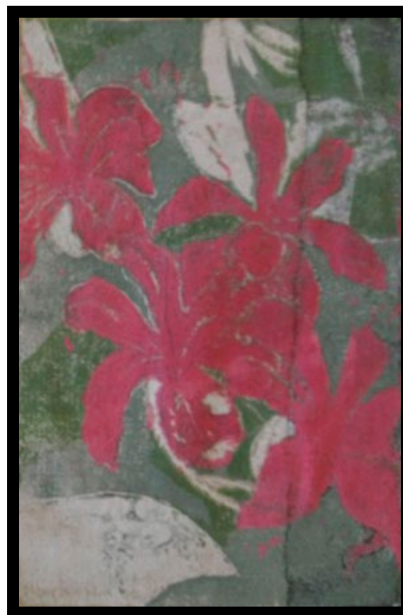
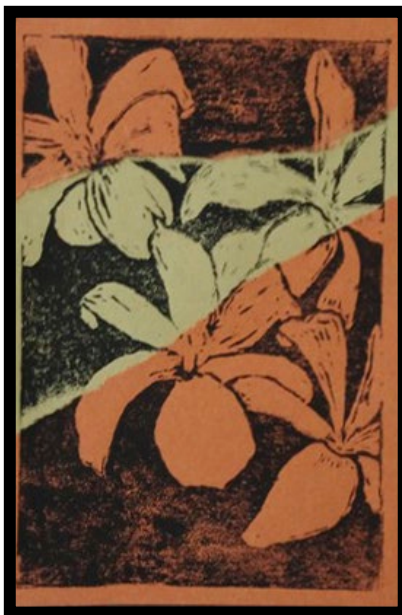


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NOVEMBER

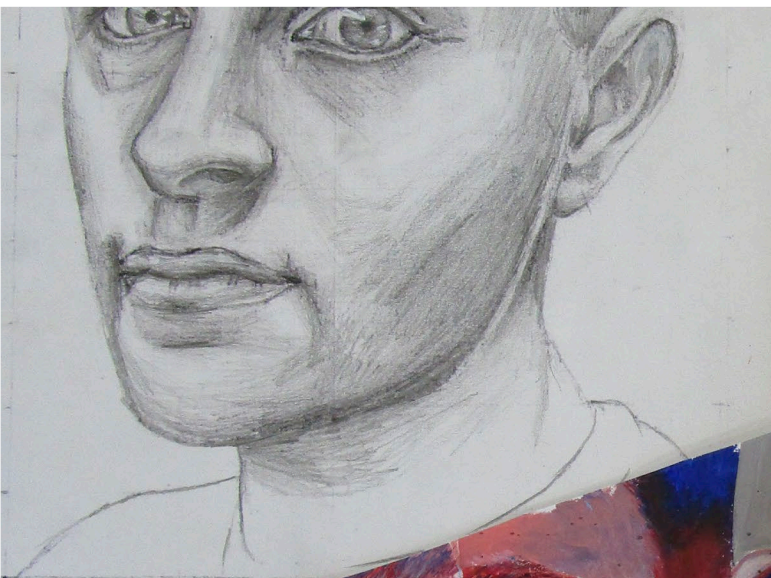
A feature of our Newsletter this past term has been the stunning Art work produced by our pupils and students. In November we entered a virtual gallery of mini-masterpieces.



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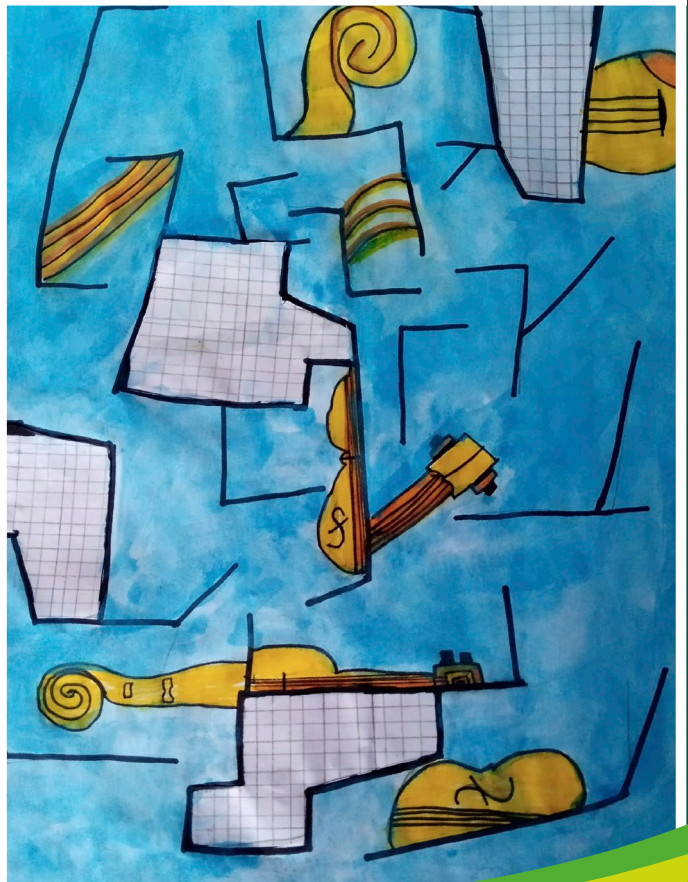
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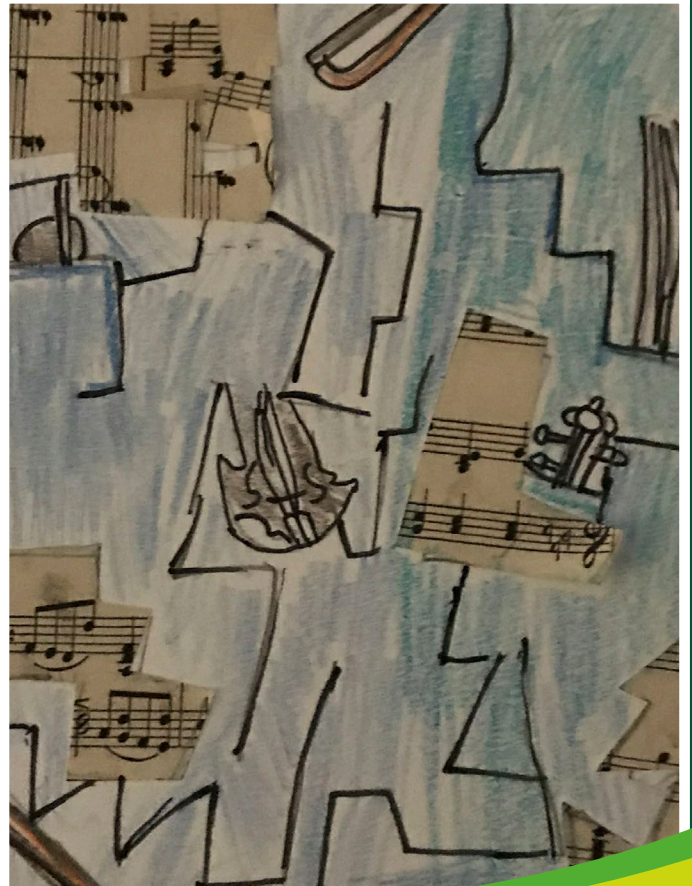
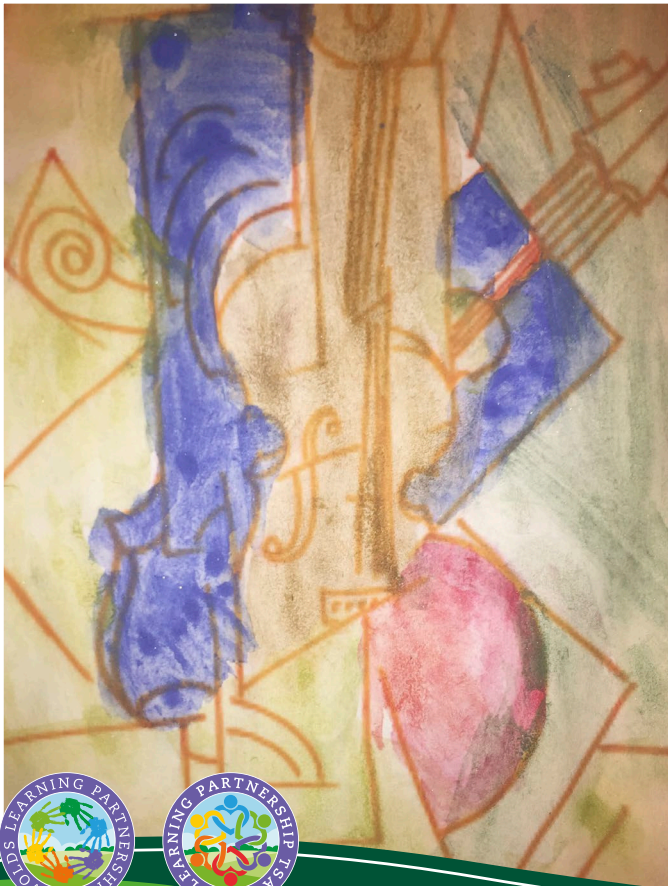
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DECEMBER

Christmas is coming...

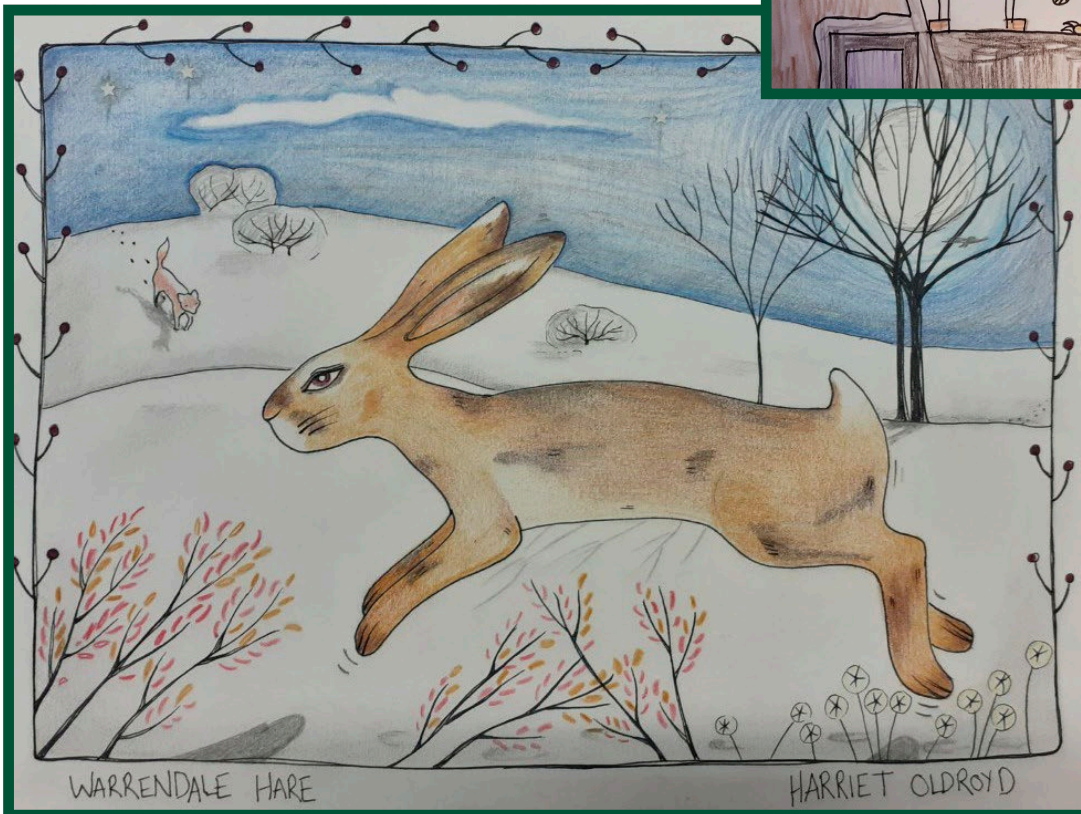


*Year 8 Winner -
Joshua Berger*

*We were delighted with
the standard of entry
in our Christmas Card
Competition.*



*Year 7 Winner -
Harriet Oldroyd*

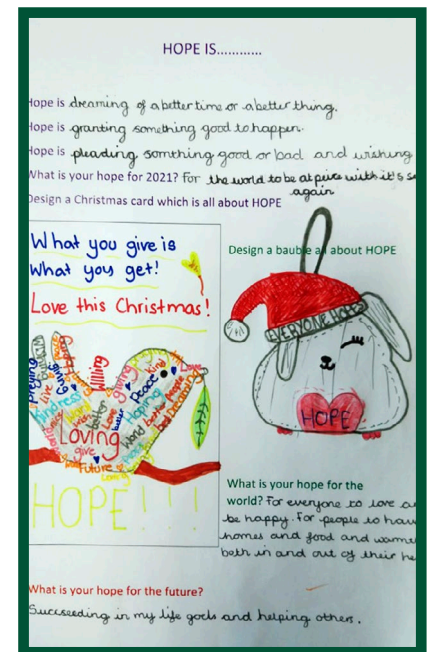
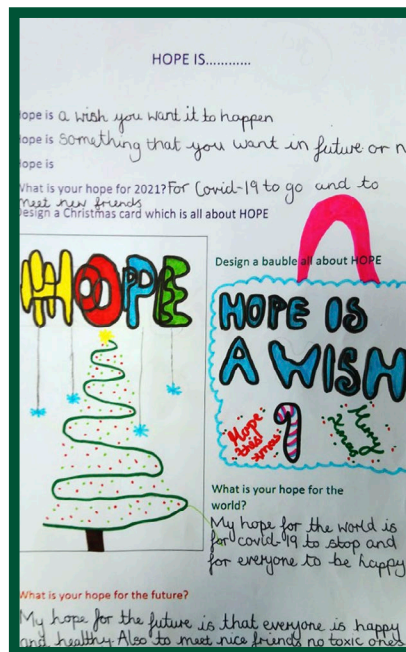


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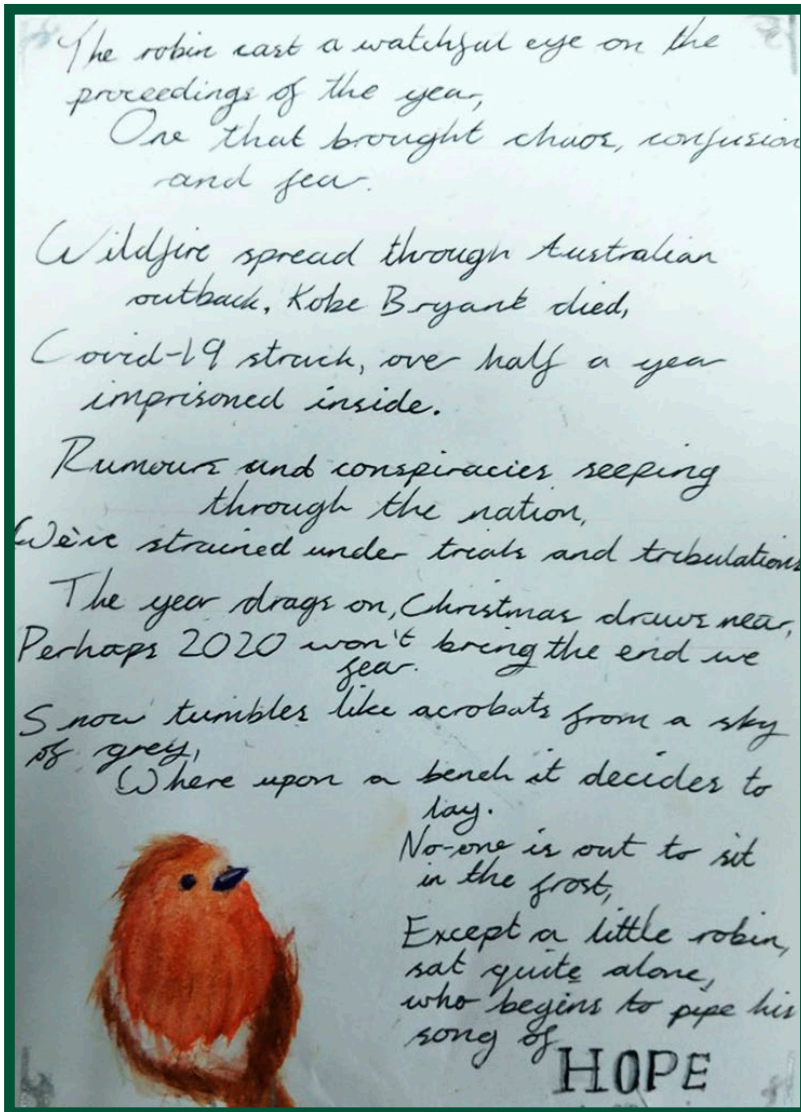


Year 7 showed the true meaning of Christmas by donating food for the Great Value Appeal and also by showing us what they thought about Hope..



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Anya Howard



Thank you for reading the Newsletter this term.

All of us here at Woldgate School wish you and
your family a Happy Christmas and a peaceful and
hopefully, less eventful New Year.

Merry
Christmas





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Rewards

Our school motto is 'Everything you do should be worthy of great merit, character and value', and every day our pupils' efforts, contributions and achievements are recognised with rewards that reflect these values. Our pupils understand these core values as being the foundation of successful learning, and a successful life, and each of the rewards holds a special significance:



Acts of Great

MERIT

110,647

CHARACTER

9,900

VALUE

5,148

**TOTAL
HOUSE
POINTS:**

18,645

House Points

Every pupil belongs to one of our five Houses, representing our local countryside. Pupils can be awarded House points for exceptional contributions to school life, and for participating in House competitions and events, and all rewards contribute to each House reward total:

House rewards since September:



29,739



29,212



28,096



30,096



32,104





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Acts of Great Merit

The quality of being particularly good or worthy, especially deserving of praise or reward. For example, the production of an outstanding piece of classwork, home learning or an outstanding assessment outcome.

The pupils with the highest Great Merit awards this week are:

Year 7:	Imogen Kendall
Year 8:	Isaac Oliver
Year 9:	Eleanor Taylor
Year 10:	Bradley Towse
Year 11:	Edgar Thompson
Year 12:	Isabella Aaltio
Year 13:	Yasmine Katib

Acts of Great Value

The principles or standards of conduct we work to; those acts and skills that are valued by our wider society. For instance, the ability to demonstrate emotional intelligence, to communicate effectively or be a leader of a team.

The pupils with the highest Great Value awards this week are:

Year 7:	Mia Wood
Year 8:	Samuel Kelly
Year 9:	Malwina Rozanska
Year 10:	Oliver Hakner
Year 11:	James Woodward
Year 12:	Rebecca Rust
Year 13:	Dominykas Motiejunas

Acts of Great Character

The moral qualities that define an individual. For example, demonstrating kindness, offering support or actively engaging with the wider community.

The pupils with the highest Great Character awards this week are:

Year 7:	Lauren Slater
Year 8:	Henry Garside
Year 9:	Ellen Farmery
Year 10:	Ella Bartam
Year 11:	Elena Gogean
Year 12:	Luke Watson
Year 13:	Lydia Adrian



Please discuss these values with your child, and do regularly look at your child's rewards on the ClassCharts Parents' App.

Every week, our Newsletter and weekly pupil briefing highlights examples of our pupils demonstrating each of these values, and we encourage all of our pupils to embody each of these values in everything they do.





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Safeguarding at Woldgate School



*Mr Sloman
writes:*

Looking after your child's mental health this Christmas

Among all the fun and festivities, Christmas can be an overwhelming time for some people. Here is some advice on how to look after your child's mental health over the holidays.

Take time out

It's so important to take time out every day, not just in the festive period. If your child feels themselves getting a bit overwhelmed, or upset, let them take five or ten minutes away from everyone on Christmas Day to have a bit of time to themselves. Christmas Day can be quite an overwhelming day, so by taking time out they can recharge.

Sleep

A good night's sleep is so important when it comes to looking after mental health. Teenagers need an average of nine-and-a-half hours' sleep each night. When it comes to the festive period, ensuring your child gets enough sleep can become difficult due to things like late nights at home and parties. To make sure your child gets back into their normal sleeping routine easily, suggest they go to bed at normal times as the festive period draws to a close. This'll make getting up for school a lot easier and, in turn, will help their mental health a lot.

Exercise

Physical activity releases a chemical called endorphins, which makes us feel good, so if your child is feeling a bit overwhelmed or low at Christmas, why not suggest a walk? You could also suggest a bike ride or even a run.

Try to relax

It's easy to say "Christmas is fun - just relax", but the reality is that relaxing can be tricky. Suggest things like breathing exercises or meditation to help your child calm down if they are feeling a bit stressed over the festive period.

Just because it's Christmas, it doesn't mean caring for your child's mental health has to be put on hold. Mental health and physical health are as equally important; if you fell over and grazed your knee on Christmas Day, you would put a plaster on it. So if your child's mental health needs a plaster, you're allowed to do something about it.

As ever, please do contact us at Woldgate School if you have any concerns. We hope that you and your family have a merry and restful Christmas, and a happy New Year. We are looking forward to welcoming your child back to school in January.

Mr L Sloman
Deputy Headteacher
Head of Care and Achievement

