

Dear Parent / Carer

I hope this finds you well and hope you have had a good week! As we enter October we are definitely back in the swing of school life and our students have once again been making us proud.

Our attendance reward tickets have now been distributed and prize draw boxes have pride of place outside the canteen! It's great students selecting the prize they are interested in and remember, they need to be in to win! The most tickets must surely go to Year 8 who once again top the attendance league table closely followed by Year 7, with special mentions to the almost unbeatable 8THO, 8ELI and 7KSW! Please remind your child that attendance matters! Thank you for your support!

It is lovely to receive feedback about the #PINDARPositives emails - emails about specific students have been dropping in all week from staff so well done to all concerned! I have received a range of special messages from staff this week who want to share the #PindarPositives they have experienced in the last five days!

It's been a very busy week for sport at GPS! Mr Worrell told me that the year 9 rugby team gave an outstanding representation of the school at the district tournament with their effort, level of performance and outstanding behaviour throughout whilst Mr Traves emailed to tell me that the Y9 boys (+ 1 Y8 student) conducted themselves brilliantly on a football fixture, away in Fulford! Despite a 5-0 loss, this scoreline does not reflect the effort shown throughout the game and on another day, the score could have been very different. Mr Traves is yet again proud of his boys for their behaviour, effort and the way they conducted themselves on the long trip!

We are always delighted to welcome new staff to George Pindar and this week I have had emails from Mr Raisin, our new Assistant Vice Principal and Miss Mills, our new French and music teacher. Mr Raisin wanted to praise 10s/Sc5 for really settling into this new term and tackling some very tricky Physics equations! He also wanted to say a huge well done to 8a/Sc1 who did some fantastic homework this week as a part of their revision of Y7 work! Finally, he wanted me to say well done to his 9s/Sc5 who have been listening really well in Science lessons this last week, and even managed to keep some composure during the lung dissection! Mr Raisin attended GPS as a student so this makes us even more #ProudToBePindar!

Miss Mills has shared a large number of individual student praise emails but also wanted to say well done to the Y11 French class who continue to show determination in memorising lots of new vocabulary and using it in different activities. Très bien Year 11!

One of our wonderful Behaviour Support Officers, Mrs McLachlan, works with our 'Military Kids' who have a parent / carer in the Armed Forces. This group work tirelessly to support

various fundraising activities and this week they held a raffle and raised £40 to send to the British Red Cross. The money is for their Emergency Disaster Fund. Mrs Mac and all of the students involved would like to thank everyone who bought a ticket.

I hope you have enjoyed this week's edition of the #PINDARPositives email and look forward to reporting on another good week next Friday!

With every good wish Lesley Welsh

Principal