

# #PINDARPositives



Dear Parent / Carer

I hope this finds you well and hope you are looking forward to the weekend!

Last night we held our annual Presentation Evening in the Ocean Room at Scarborough Spa to recognise the achievements of students in Years 8 to 11 and all students who left us this summer. There are lots of photographs on our Facebook page so please do check them out. Miss Petts emailed me and asked me to congratulate the Year 7s who participated in the Choir at the Spa. They were fantastic and very brave and she was incredibly PROUD of them all! I would second that feedback and add my huge congratulations to all students who sang in the choir and performed in the band - I was very impressed! To those students who won awards, I would like to congratulate them once more for their incredible achievement or progress and contribution to school life. To those who did not win, my advice would be to work hard, demonstrate the PINDAR Values and show us what you can do day in, day out! Next year, it could be you!

Lessons have progressed as normal in school this week and there has been a purposeful atmosphere in lots of classrooms, whilst Year 11 have impressed us with their hard work in their PPE (mock) examinations. A range of teachers have emailed me with individual feedback for students which will be winging its way to families soon. Other teachers asked me to share whole-school positives and that is always my pleasure!

Mr Raisin asked me to say well done to 11s/Sc2 for having a great start to their PPEs and for listening and engaging so intently during their pre-PPE revision sessions in Science. I received a lovely email from Miss Pickles, our Head of English, who told me that she is so proud of her Y7a/En1 group this week due to the excellent contributions from all students. She is also proud of her Y8a/En2 group who worked so hard redrafting their assessments during their DIRT lesson. They wrote really improved responses. This hard work will pay off! As we approach December, Miss Petts wanted to highlight that she is really PROUD of those Year 7s who haven't received any negative codes - her advice is to keep it up and they will reap the rewards at the Christmas Presentation Assembly! Miss Mills also wanted to highlight our youngest students, telling me that she is very proud of her Year 7 classes for producing lots of excellent and accurate written work in lessons this week. Lots of students who started with no French knowledge are able to say lots of things about themselves now! She also wanted to say a huge well done to 9B3 for an extremely focussed and purposeful French lesson today. She was particularly impressed with the attention to detail shown in complex translation sentences. Mrs Raisin emailed to say she was very proud of the year 10 Hair and Beauty students when participating in a beauty service in the school salon, working on each other, using products and equipment in a professional manner throughout. Mr Traves also messaged me to say that his Y7 girls group have been exemplary this week in

PE. Attitude, behaviour and effort is fantastic throughout and they are enjoying learning about football! Mr Traves is extremely proud of the group!

Last week a group of Year 9 linguists participated in the GCHQ National Language Competition and Miss Mills asked me to congratulate them for their drive and determination faced with some very tricky language tasks. Our winning team scored over 1000 points and beat hundreds of teams from over 500 schools across the country - a fantastic achievement! 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**