

#PINDARPositives



Dear Parent / Carer

I hope this finds you well at the end of a half term break! I am writing to share some positives from our last week in school and hope they give some extra reasons to be cheerful as we approach the return to school tomorrow!

On the last day of the half term, we drew our three golden tickets for the '100 Club' attendance draw, with three students winning an incredible £100 voucher for Amazon, shopping or gaming. Students who achieve 100% attendance each week receive a voucher to try to win their preferred prize so please encourage your child to attend in the weeks ahead - they need to be in to win! We look forward to drawing the final attendance draw on the last day of the summer term and will keep you updated!

I hope you saw photos online from our rewards assemblies at the end of the half term - these were extra special for Years 7 to 10 as they represented the final rewards assemblies with Heads of Year before we moved to our new Pastoral system on Friday 24th May. I hope you saw certificates if your child was nominated by a teacher for excellence in our PINDAR values, in specific subjects, in tutor time or by Heads of Year. Keep up the great work #TeamPINDAR!

I would like to thank all students and families who participated in the surveys into House names. After reviewing all the feedback and totting up preferences, birds of prey were chosen for our set of House names, and we were delighted to announce the following names to our students in Friday's assemblies:

- Falcon - Head of House Mr N Thompson
- Kestrel - Head of House Miss B Petts
- Kite - Head of House Miss L Simpson
- Osprey - Head of House Mrs E Hoyle
- Owl - Head of House Mr E Traves
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You will hear a lot more about Houses in the next few weeks, not least as we approach our own elections for Student Leadership Teams - please keep an eye on your inbox for more details!

In the final week, I received some lovely emails from staff who wanted to highlight some outstanding work. Mr Vickers shared a great deal of positive feedback for 10Sc1 (triples) who performed the best microbiology practical over the last half term. Their work has been

carefully considered and has produced uncontaminated results. His 9Sc1 has performed a heating curve practically safely and well and they got some great results. Mr Vickers also highlighted his 7BSc3 who really loved the 'effect of concentrated sulfuric acid on sugar' demonstration. Mrs Prentice wanted to share the efforts of her Y10 construction students who have been working hard on practising their craft skills again. They have been painting, decorating and tiling. What amazing results, well done everyone!

In the final week a very special event took place and my inbox has been filled with praise for our wonderful Year 10 Hospitality & Catering class who went 'on the road' to Cayton Parish Council where they catered for the Community Drop-In last week. This was a very special event and we have been overwhelmed with the feedback from the Parish Council, those who attended the event and our wonderful staff Mrs Raisin and Miss Emmerson who supported the students. Please do take a look at our social media for highlights of this special event and keep up the incredible work Year 10!

I would also like to take this opportunity to 'shout out' to Year 11 who are now halfway through their final GCSE exams. I know how hard the students have been working and this hard work will pay off - let's keep going Year 11!

I hope you have enjoyed this week's edition of the #PINDARPositives email and look forward to seeing all students on Monday at 8.35am wearing full uniform and especially Year 11 who have a maths exam on Monday morning!

With every good wish
Lesley Welsh
Principal