

Scarborough UTC News Flash

Friday, 22nd March 2024

INTRODUCTION

Dear Parent and Carers,

So, we finish on a high – this edition is simply crammed full of opportunities and experiences undertaken this week, they speak for themselves. These are indicative of the super experience that your children are part of every day. At parent's evening this week a parent said *"I was doubtful at first about making a move to the UTC, but it has been absolutely the right thing to do and I would recommend you to anyone"*, it is always lovely to get such an accolade.

As we break for Easter, please can I ask that you know where your children are throughout the holidays. The temptation to think that they are old enough and wise enough to roam free, often leads to situations where they simply aren't old enough or wise enough to handle things safely – this particularly includes activity on "the socials" or whilst gaming. If you have any concern about your child over the holiday, please do email dsl@su.coastandvale.academy; so that we can support your child on their return to college.

CEO & Trust news

You may have picked up in the news last year that Mr Crosby is retiring and that the Trust have been recruiting to his replacement. This process has reached a conclusion and very soon I expect you will receive news from the Trust in terms of our new leadership and direction – exciting times ahead. I know that you will want to thank Mr Crosby for his tireless efforts on our behalf, his decision making has provided security over the last 2 years for the UTC and ensured that our very special offer has flourished.

Scalby news

We have been notified that subject to all things coming together as expected, the Scalby Year 7 students and team will be leaving us from Monday 22nd April. To enable us to move the space back so we can use it effectively, we have been granted an extra-ordinary training day which we will be taking on Friday 26th April. School will be closed to pupils on this day. Please add this to your diary and I thank you in advance for your support.

Year 11 and Year 13

All these students were issued their official examination timetable this week. Parents who attended parents evening received a copy too. As I write there are now 20 school days remaining until the exams; I strongly advise you as a parent to take a full and active part in helping your child to revise at home – they have a wealth of resources to do this, plus the website contains other useful tips too: see the parent information tab.

Lastly, may I remind you that college will reopen on Tuesday 9th April (as the Monday is a training day) thank you.

With warmest wishes for a pleasant week ahead,

Thank you for your continued support,

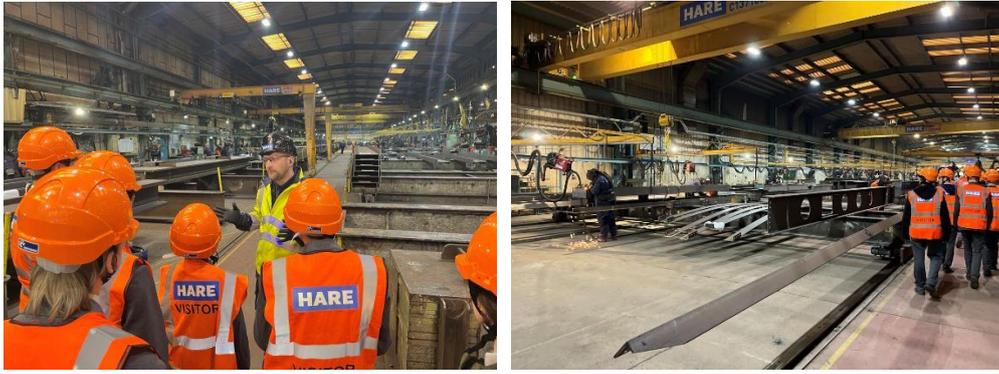
Helen Dowds

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This week select teams of Y9 and Y10 students have had the opportunity to visit William Hare, Scarborough. William Hare are one of the leading structural steel engineering groups in the UK with their site at Scarborough preparing and fabricating steel for worldwide projects. Students experienced a tour of the site, also finding out what opportunities could be available for a future career within this type of industry. Well done to all students who completed a successful application to attend, and to the William Hare engineers for their time and expert knowledge.





Also, this week we were delighted to invite a Deep Sea Electronics Product Design Engineer into the UTC to present to Y12 mechanical engineering students. These students are about to embark on their final assignment, which has a project scenario based on a DSE controller product. Students will be tasked to re-design the product, taking into consideration specification requirements, materials, manufacturing methods, design optimisation and DFMA. The session with the engineer that undertakes tasks such as this as part of his everyday job was invaluable in giving students advice and guidance for their own projects. Many thanks to Mike Spivey from DSE for giving up his valuable time to support our students in this way.



ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

Year 12 had the amazing opportunity to take part in fieldwork ran by The North York Moors Ryevitalise scheme.

The Ryevitalise Landscape Partnership works together to energise local communities and volunteers, support farmers and welcome visitors from near and far to “conserve, enhance and restore the natural and cultural heritage of the area, enabling people to reconnect with the history, wildlife and landscapes of the River Rye and its tributaries.”

The fieldwork revolved around assessing the health of the River Rye, students completed pH, Nitrates, Phosphorus and temperature tests- this allowed us to assess the water quality and help us identify what river species should be thriving in those conditions.

They then completed a river kick sample in several locations along the river to see what species were present in the river. If we had less species in one location and the water quality

had changed the Ryevitalise team can report this and ensure the river is returned to full ecological health.

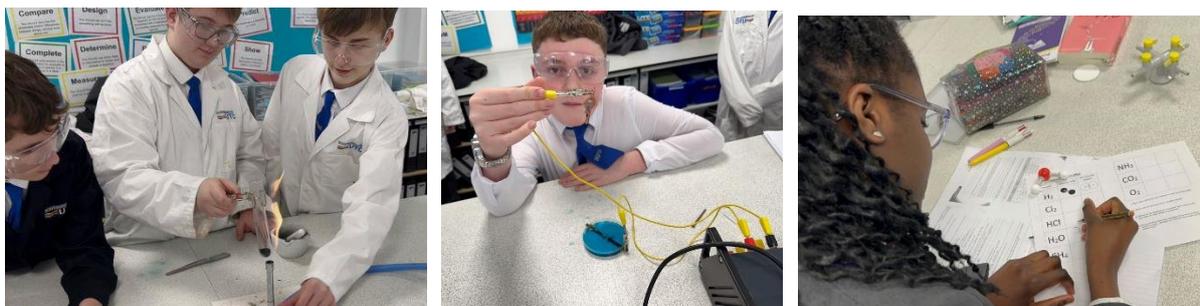
The Ryevitalise team complete these tests often to keep monitoring the health of the river and to ensure diversity of species remain.

We really enjoyed identifying and capturing the invertebrate species- they look even cooler under a magnifying glass!



SCIENCE

Year 9 have just finished a foundation topic on Chemistry, specifically on materials, focussing on plastics, metals and how chemical bonds are made. As well as making a translucent biodegradable film from potatoes, they extracted pure copper from its malachite ore.



YEAR 9 SCARBOROUGH IMMUNISATION TEAM CATCH-UP CLINIC

Reminder

Please be advised that we are holding the following catch-up clinic for any students who have missed their Diphtheria, Tetanus, Polio, and Meningitis ACWY Vaccinations.

CATCH-UP CLINIC

Wednesday, 27th March – 10am – 2pm

Tuesday, 2nd April – 10am – 2pm

VENUE

Unit 19, Cayley Court, Eastfield, Scarborough, YO11 3YJ

IMPORTANT

To request an appointment, please email the team on scarborough@v-uk.co.uk with all the following details:

Child's name, date of birth, school, year group and parent/carer contact number.

The Scarborough Immunisation Team will contact the parent/carer to book an appointment.

Please note, all clinics are APPOINTMENT ONLY

COMBINED CADET FORCE

Cadets over the last few weeks have been taking part in drill practice in preparation for Armed Forces Day in June. Many of the students are improving vastly with their drill skills and are starting to relax with regards to their marching and are looking professional. Drill is designed to get the cadets working together as a team, show commitment to the contingent and themselves and allow them to plan and coordinate their set piece to show respect to the crown, those watching and themselves.

We hope that by Armed Forces Day you as parents will take time to come down to the event and watch the cadets parade in front of those visiting the iconic event along the Foreshore. The parade will be led by the regimental marching band of the day - likely the Yorkshire Yeomanry (to be confirmed), members of the parading regiment (normally the Yorkshire Regiment (again yet to be confirmed) and members of the local Army, Navy and Airforce Cadets and other youth organisations.

We will have a display up on the Foreshore and you are more than welcome to come along and meet the team responsible for delivering the Cadet Experience at SUTC. We will have some gizzets too.



You recently received a letter outlining the plan for the rest of the academic year with a number of events planned during June and July. Please ensure that these are returned asap as the return has been limited.

As a matter of urgency, I need to know how many cadets would like to participate in the camping weekend on the 21st - 23rd June. I understand that cadets may not want to participate due to work or other family commitments and that is fine, however we will be participating in an active weekend whereby the cadets will have access to watersports, mainly sailing but offering some free internationally recognised qualifications and it is hoped that we can conduct some formal examinations on the water to have some of these qualifications awarded to the students. Every student will be expected to participate on the Friday as normal, but I have booked the camp site at Wykeham for the weekend, and we hope to provide both land and afloat activities. There will be a minimal cost involved but am working on making this as minimal as possible. A letter will be sent out during the first week back after Easter break.

S/Lt Faunt completed his sleep out as part of The Great Tommy Sleep Out. This is a national event run by the British Royal Legion Industries to help homeless veterans secure

accommodation and advice for helping them get jobs and security within the civilian environment. So far volunteers like S/Lt Faunt have raised at the last count over £750,000 for this valuable charity. £250 is needed per veteran to help them take that first step towards return to normal civilian life with regards a roof over their head and steering back into employment.

S/Lt Faunt slept out at the rear of the college using only a sleeping bag and a Basha (Military Cover Sheet) on one of the coldest nights of the month. Temperatures fell to 3 degrees. He did not sleep well as being out in the open you hear everything. Just one night gave him a taste of what it was like to be homeless but conversing with others who have also taken part there are other considerations that make the experience a little scary.

S/Lt Faunt would like to thank everyone who very kindly donated to the fundraising. It is very much appreciated not only by S/Lt Faunt but also by the charity organising the event and those that the vital funds will eventually help in the future.



Thank you again to you, the parents for supporting your children in their participation with Cadets. We hope that as a team we are helping to develop their confidence and growth towards the post education world.

- THE GREAT TOMMY SLEEPOUT -

ESSENTIAL SUPPLIES YOUR DONATIONS COULD BUY FOR A HOMELESS VETERAN MOVING INTO OUR EMERGENCY ACCOMMODATION:

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| 1 TOILETRIES SET | £5.00 |
| 2 NUTRITIOUS HOT MEALS | £15.00 |
| 3 FRESH BEDDING | £25.00 |
| 4 SET OF FRESH CLOTHES | £35.00 |
| 5 PACK OF ELECTRICAL KITCHEN ITEMS | £70.00 |
| 6 SUPPORT AND TRAINING FOR EMPLOYMENT | £100.00 |
| TOTAL AMOUNT | £250.00 |

THANK YOU FOR YOUR FUNDRAISING!

ACHIEVING PROFESSIONAL REWARDS AND ATTENDANCE REWARDS

Student's positives are identified and can be viewed on BROMCOM MCAS. The points identify the elements of our college ethos and that of being a "Young Professional ". We encourage

students to review progress regularly. Each week reward vouchers are issued in assembly to recognise achievement and hard work.

Additional Professional points have been applied to recognise very good attendance, so look out for this on My Child at School.

All students who have poor punctuality and fail to bring a lanyard receive an immediate stage 1 – these cumulatively result in lunch time detentions.

ATTENDANCE

Firstly, thank you if you have ensured your child has good or excellent attendance. This has a significant impact on the outcomes for your child. We are pleased that because of this support college attendance is well above national average.

NHS Link

This is a good signposting link for families where school attendance, linked to emotional health, is a worry.

[Is your child struggling to attend school? - The Go-To \(thegoto.org.uk\)](http://thegoto.org.uk)



As we progress through the year, it is vital to maintain excellent attendance. It is very important to ensure that all medical and illness absences are reported daily by parents using our absence line or enquiries to Miss. Brown our Attendance and Data Manager. Should you make a call for a reported student illness– please expect a phone call back from the attendance team to check details and provide support as required.

Attendance will always be a continual reminder. Excellent attendance is above 96.5%. All students with 100% receive 10 professional points per week. Student above the 96.5 target receive an extra 5 points per week.

Attendance monitoring and formal procedures are followed robustly. We work closely with NYCC attendance team to address attendance concerns at the earliest stage.

SAFEGUARDING

It is essential for safeguarding purposes that Lanyards and identity cards are worn at all times. Should cards become lost or damaged these must be replaced. Replacements can be purchased via parent pay. Students without ID cards and Lanyards will have replacements charged to parent pay.

Lanyards are required for identification for all students and working staff within the building. Students who forget such items have to sign into college manually receive a Stage 1 and this adds to workload. It is our students' responsibility to ensure they are prepared for each day.

We are committed to our students and families, and we continue to provide support and points of contact.

Should you be concerned and feel that you need to share information please contact and refer information to the following email: dsl@su.coastandvale.academy

SUTC Designated Safeguarding Lead and Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead monitor the email.

MONITOR, REPORT, ENCOURAGE

All students have been issued with emails and online accounts and all are reminded of the importance of maintaining security using college account usernames and passwords and to report concerns if they feel that accounts have been compromised.

Online messaging and chat rooms

We are continually reminded of the dangers of on-line chat groups. It is important that if these are used they are used with care and supervision -the safest guidance is not at all.

[Dangerous Online Chat Room - Safeguarding Alert - Safer Schools \(oursaferschools.co.uk\)](https://oursaferschools.co.uk)

Resources

[The Go-To - Emotional wellbeing and mental health \(thegoto.org.uk\)](https://thegoto.org.uk)

Email: info@community-counselling.org.uk

Website: www.community-counselling.org.uk

Telephone: 01653 690124

[Mobile phone safety | Childline](#)

[Physical activity and mental health | Mental Health Foundation](#)

[Kooth for Children & Young People - Kooth plc](#)

PHYSICAL EDEUCATION

Throughout the exam period students were in supported study during their allocated PE time. As we approach the summer term our focus will be on Striking and Fielding games such as Cricket and Softball, Athletics, and outdoor fitness activities. From Monday 18th March, students should ensure that PE kit (Navy/ Black) is brought for each session.

ORGANISATION AND EQUIPMENT

Being prepared and study ready includes equipment. Carrying the correct equipment and the stationery for each day is essential – a reading book, reading record, a clear pencil case with a pencil, black and green pens, ruler, maths equipment and importantly, a scientific calculator and a college or clear reusable water bottle. Checks are made each lesson and positive stages given for good organisation.

LOCKERS AND MOBILE DEVICES

Each student has been assigned a locker and this must be used to store all bags, equipment, and mobile devices. Mobile devices must be secured in lockers during the college day.

Use of padlocks provides essential security for valuable items including mobile devices, smart watches and ear buds etc. Storing mobile devices correctly in the locker prevents confiscation in line with our policy. On the first occasion the device is stored and returned at the end of the day. Each subsequent occasion, the device is collected by parents. To prevent inconvenience and control access to on- line apps, please ensure padlocks are available and devices are stored correctly.

Mobile device procedures protect students from on-line access and messaging throughout the day to ensure focus is on College work, social interaction and the break and lunch activities that provide opportunities for mental and physical well-being.

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EASTER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

A selection of activities available in your area

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| RICHARD SHEPHERD MUSIC FOUNDATION A day of music and singing in a relaxed environment | KRASH LABS GAMING CLUB A fun and physical day of video gaming | YMCA SCARBOROUGH - CAMP SANDCASTLE A space for young people to grow and explore sports, games, arts and more |
| EVERYONE ACTIVE HOLIDAY CAMPS Multi-sports, activities, food and fun | CREATIVE BRIEFS - DESIGN CLUB Enriching wellbeing through fun and innovative creative design activities | NIGEL CARSON SPORTS CAMP Multi sports coaching and team building games |

Book your **FREE** space now!

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feastny.org

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We have a 50% off code for Hollywood Bowl and Puttstars York for bookings between 09:00 am – 11:00 am from 25th March – 7th April 2024. Simply use the code **EGG50** at checkout of your booking to receive 50% off. Book early to avoid disappointment.



EASTER HOLIDAYS

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ACADEMIC YEAR DATES

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| Easter Holiday | Monday 25 th March – Friday 5 th April 2024 |
| Professional Development Training Day | Monday 8 th April 2024 |
| First Day of Summer Term for Students | Tuesday 9 th April 2024 |
| Extra ordinary training day | Friday 26th April 2024 |
| Bank Holiday | Monday 6 th May 2024 |
| Year 9 Progress Evening 3pm-6pm | Wednesday 15 th May 2024 |
| Summer Half Term Holiday | Monday 27 th May – Friday 31 st May 2024 |
| Year 10&12 Progress Evening 3pm-6pm | Wednesday 12 th June 2024 |
| Term Ends | Friday 19 th July 2024 |
| Professional Development Training Day | Monday 22 nd July 2024 |