

Scarborough UTC News Flash

Friday, 10th May 2024

INTRODUCTION

Dear Parent and Carers,

Recruitment

Last year we were inundated with applications and our current Year 9 has remained full throughout the year with a waiting list. Sadly, this year, numbers for Year 9 suggest that we only have enough for a two form entry at this point (60 student applications) and we are moving forward on this basis for September 2024, topping up in year 10 in September 2025. We will continue to hold applications that are made in excess of 60 with an aim of getting up to 90, but with staffing to allocate, contracts to arrange and transition night to hold, we now must move forward. If you know of friends with students wishing to apply for September, please encourage them to do so urgently, or they may miss the chance to be part of college for another 12 months.

Sixth form numbers are blooming and we will exceed the DFE target – it will be smashing to be hosting a sixth form in excess of 50 students next year.

Ski Trip

Thank you to all of those parents with children attending the ski trip for their regular payments, this is very helpful. On Tuesday coming we will be measuring each child so that we can order the Ski Trip Hoodie – already paid for. Please make sure that you have started to think about buying Ski Wear (always cheaper in the summer) and ordered your child's passport too, as there is quite a time lag in these currently.

Half term Masterclasses Year 11

The way the timetable for exams has worked means that students return after a break straight into the 2nd Maths paper and shortly after English too. We know how much older students are employed and this can cause a conflict with good revision!

There will be an English Masterclass from 10am to 12pm on Thursday 30th May.

There will be a Maths Masterclass from 10am to 12pm on Friday 31st May.

Venue: college. Non-uniform. Refreshments will be provided for all those that attend. We would like as many Year 11 as possible to attend, but accept that for some transport might be difficult.

Thank you once again for your continued support and I look forward to meeting the Year 9 parents at the Progress meeting this Wednesday from 3pm-6pm – don't forget to book on Bromcom.

Thank you for your continued support,

Kind Regards

Helen Dowds

Principal

NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE CADETS



Message from PC Gina Cormack, Citizens in Policing Liaison Officer.....

I hope you are well. I work for North Yorkshire Police, and I look after our Police Cadets that range from 13-18 years old. We welcome Cadets from any background, social group, gender, ethnicity, ability / disability and whether they have an interest in the police or not.

We welcome young people who may have previously been in trouble with the police or may feel some disconnection with their peers and community. We want to give all young people a chance to be heard, support their community and develop skills to become fantastic citizens in a fun, friendly and exciting way.

We are currently recruiting for Police Cadets at our Harrogate, Scarborough and Malton units in North Yorkshire, and I wanted to reach out to you to offer this fantastic opportunity to any young people you work with to make sure they have the chance to apply if they are interested. Our recruitment closes 9am on 13th May 2024.

Link to the application - [Volunteer Police Cadet \(engageats.co.uk\)](https://engageats.co.uk)

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Many Thanks

Gina Cormack - Collar Number 5445

Citizens in Policing Liaison Officer
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North Yorkshire Police
Committed to the Code of Ethics

OPPORTUNITIES FOR PHYSICAL AND MENTAL WELL-BEING

To recognise excellent behaviour and hard work Year 9 students will be invited on a Beach activity rewards trip on the morning of the 24th of May. The planned trip will allow students to enjoy craft and sports activities on South Bay.

Invitation letters for the trip will be issued on Tuesday 16th May. These should be returned by Friday 17th May 2024. This beach trip is a regular activity, and we often use both South Bay or Cayton Bay for trip activities during the Summer term.

Opportunities for other year groups will take place later in the term.

NATIONAL CRIME AGENCY SAFEGUARDING NOTIFICATION

Sextortion is a significant risk to students aged 14-18.

This type of crime involves an adult offender (often from an organised crime group based overseas) threatening to release nude or semi-nude images and/or videos of a child or young person, unless they pay money, or meet another financial demand, such as purchasing a pre-paid gift card.

Victims of any age and gender can be targets, however a substantial proportion of cases have involved male victims aged 14-18.

A child or young person is never to blame if they have been a victim. Offenders will have tricked, groomed and/or manipulated them into sharing an image. Find out more about online blackmail on CEOP Education's parents and carers website.

[Online blackmail \(ceopeducation.co.uk\)](https://www.ceopeducation.co.uk)

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 exceptionally good attendance or improving attendance, so look out for this on My Child at School.

ATTENDANCE

All medical and illness absences should be 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. Students 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 are required to sign into college manually receive a Stage 1 and must hand in their devices -this adds to workload. It is our students' responsibility to ensure they are prepared for each day.

Safeguarding Advice and Contacts

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

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 \(thegoto.org.uk\)](https://www.thegoto.org.uk)

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

BBC News article on illegal vapes

'Zombie' drug xylazine found in cannabis THC vapes in UK -
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/health-68760301>

[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](#)

ORGANISATION AND EQUIPMENT

Be study ready. 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

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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.

ACADEMIC YEAR DATES

Summer 2024 GCSE and GCE examinations	Thursday 9 th May 2024 and ends on 19 th June 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