

## Scarborough UTC News Flash

**Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

### INTRODUCTION

Dear Parents/Carers,

Such a strong week this week! The students have returned from half-term properly rested and really settled; their work rate this week has been high and we have seen stages halved – really well done.

The Year 11 exams continue; these students have been working incredibly hard in the main and as a result they are now able to be on study leave, except for examinations and masterclasses. A letter was sent to parents on Bromcom (and in physical form with the child) detailing when we would expect each student to attend college. Failure to attend masterclasses will result in students losing their invite to the Prom and to Alton Towers.

Sixth form students continue to work steadily and quietly towards each of their exams – it seems this season the exam boards have really added challenge to papers – there is considerable “noise” on social media in relation to this, but our community have really cracked on and are coming out of the exams satisfied.

We were visited this week by Anna Rooney, Executive Principal allocated to Coast and Vale from Delta Academy Trust. She was very impressed with the purposeful learning and the articulation of students she met as she toured college. She admits that up to this point her understanding of UTCs has been limited, but her visit has helped her to feel excited and empathy around the UTC offer, recognising our desire to be the jewel in the crown of the Scarborough secondary offer.

Events in college over the next two weeks are shown here – up until the end of term I will write about these rather than putting them at the end, so that we can keep on top of a rapidly moving position or opportunity:

Monday 10th		Monday 17th	Y10 English – visiting speakers
Tuesday 11th	Y10 Geography field trip – all geographers	Tuesday 18th	Y10 Hull university trip (Engineers only) Y9 Geography – visiting speakers Employer of the month Assembly
Wednesday 12th	Y10/Y10 Progress Evening 3-6:30pm (please book on Bromcom)	Wednesday 19th	New 2024/2025 Y9/12 Transition Evening 5-8pm
Thursday 13th		Thursday 20th	Y10 York University visit (Health only)

Friday 14th	CCF – Wykeham Lake in enrichment	Friday 21st	Y11/Y12 Alton Towers trip
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### Advanced notice

Year 10 Mock examinations take place in college throughout both weeks commencing 24th June and 1st July – attendance at these exams is very important, as is undertaking them with a conscientious approach. Decisions will be made in relation to setting for next year, compulsory catch-up classes, and subjects studied next year using the results from these examinations.

The timetable for these exams can be found on the website under Parent Information/Exam related information. In addition, each child has a copy of their personal timetable.

A guide for how to revise and specific subject revision guidance can be found on the website too under Parent Information.

### Reminder

Please remember that from September 2024 the skirt will no longer be part of the college uniform. All students will be required to wear trousers. If you are starting to purchase or replace uniform, please consider this, thank you.

Thank you for your continued support,

Kind Regards

*Helen Dowds*

*Principal*

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This week saw the launch of our work experience programme for Y10 and Y12 students, the placement date being **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October through to Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October.**

Work experience provides an excellent opportunity for students to gain an insight into the working world, develop important employability skills and boost their confidence. It is not always important that the placement exactly mirrors the students career aspirations; employers often refer to the value of transferable skills like communication, the ability to work in a team, motivation and using your initiative, which work experience, in any setting, will give them. We ask you for your support through this process to ensure that all students have the best possible experience.

We partner with NYBEP (a Business and Education Partnership covering Yorkshire, Humber and the North East) to help us deliver work experience. NYBEP will complete the Young Person's Risk Assessment prior to students starting their placement.

More information will be issued on a regular basis to ensure that students are on track to undertake a meaningful placement in October; ***all students must have placements agreed by the end of this term***. Please do talk to your child about possible placement opportunities; there may be a relevant organisation near to you, or that a family member works within, that they could take advantage of. Dropping in to organisations, calling them or emailing now will help them secure the placement they desire.

You will receive a letter WB 17/6 that gives you further information about the programme and access to an app that will be used to arrange and monitor placements throughout the process. If you have any queries in the meantime don't hesitate to contact me.

### CCF D-DAY COMMEMORATION

Thursday saw some of the CCF Cadets head to Alma Square for the D-Day Commemoration event. The Cadets were as always swell presented and acted with respect and dignity throughout, representing the UTC with pride. Well done cadets!



### YR10 AND YR12 MOCK EXAMINATIONS

Mock examinations for year 10 and year 12 will take place from week commencing Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June for two weeks, ending on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July. Each student, who has been present in college has been issued with their personalised examination timetable this week. Please ensure they keep this safe to refer to throughout the examination period.

## A DAY AT THE RACES

21<sup>st</sup> of May saw Scarborough UTC return to Greenpower competition, our first event since 2019, when we travelled up to Croft Circuit on Teesside for the Gathering of Formula's meeting.

After an enjoyable early start, meeting at the UTC for 05.15 so that we could be at Croft Circuit for entry and scrutineering scheduled for 0730, the journey was uneventful, and we made the circuit on time. All four cars passed scrutineering and a pleasant day's racing was had by the students, the persistent drizzle did nothing to dampen the spirits of our courageous racing teams.

Some of our students' parents made the journey to support their offspring, we did not completely cover ourselves in glory, partly since our cars were "running stock". However, the sixth form team who had a complex electronic speed controller won the Ford Engineering Award, well done!



The event was the culmination of a lot of hard work that commenced in September '23 by stripping all four cars down to a bare chassis, every single nut, bolt and bearing was removed, and all new fittings used to re-build the cars, the wiring harnesses were also removed and the cars completely re-wired, also new inner tubes and tyres were fitted. We all agreed that this event was very much a learning experience and what needs to be done moving forward is to introduce a gearing system, which we now know how to do, and to this end, Mr Shephard has said that if gears and aerodynamic bodywork is sorted by the end of this term, then the teams may compete in the Autumn term street race in Hull.



I would like to conclude that we would not have been able to compete if it had not been for our very generous sponsors, including: The Woodsmith Foundation (£900.00 for batteries), Grouse Hill caravan park and camping, Norton Priory Garage, IWE electric services, Gardiner Engineering welding supplies and Elect-Ric electrical contractors.

Here's to the next Race!

## VOLUNTEER FOR THE NORTH YORKSHIRE YOUTH COMMISSION

# OPINIONS ON POLICE, FIRE & CRIME?



## Volunteer for the North Yorkshire Youth Commission

Are you 10-25 & living in North  
Yorkshire?

Opinions about Police, Fire, Crime &  
Issues Young People Face?

**Deadline: 14<sup>th</sup> June**

To apply & for more info contact:  
[emily@leaders-unlocked.org](mailto:emily@leaders-unlocked.org)

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## ENGLISH EXAMS

As you may be aware, your child will be undertaking Mock Exams the week commencing 24<sup>th</sup> June.

These are set by Delta Academy and so the results will be compared with all Y10 students across the Delta schools so that appropriate and timely intervention can be put in place for each child to help them progress successfully.

Your child is sitting the GCSE Language paper 1.

To support with this, the English department is offering after school sessions on Mondays & Thursdays between 4-5. Even if your child can only attend for part of this session, it will still greatly benefit them, and put them in the best possible place for their Trial Exam on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June. After the exams, we will instead focus on Literature in these sessions. There are 10 PVE's for each session that your child attends!

Here is further information regarding the next few weeks (your child already has this):

### **General Overview:**

You will be completing **English Language Component 1** for your Trial Exams.

This is in accordance with **Delta Academy**- all schools in this Trust and Coast and Vale are **sitting the same paper at the same time**.

### **What does this mean?**

Lessons now **focus on this Language paper**, and Literature will move to home study and starter activities.

### **What is on the paper?**

It is **1 hour 45 minutes** and is out of **80 marks**. If it were the real thing, it would form **40%** of your final grade in GCSE Language.

**Section A: Reading Unseen Prose Fiction**- an extract from an **unseen fiction** text with **5 comprehension questions**. (**1 hour, 40 MARKS**)

**Section B: Creative Writing**- writing a **story** from **4 options** (45 minutes, 40 MARKS)

### **How will we approach this?**

We will look at skills for individual questions, using past papers and conduct Walking Talking Mocks. On the 17<sup>th</sup> June, an executive from Delta will deliver a Walking Talking Mock to all Y10 too.

Thank you for your support.

## 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.

## 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.

## SAFEGUARDING

It is essential for safeguarding purposes **that Lanyards and identity cards are worn at all times.** Should cards become lost or damaged these have to 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 have to hand in their devices -this adds to workload. It is our student's 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.

<https://thegoto.org.uk/im-a-parent-or-carer/is-your-child-struggling-to-attend-school/>

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](mailto:dsl@su.coastandvale.academy)

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

## NATIONAL CRIME AGENCY SAFEGUARDING NOTIFICATION

Following the latest CEOPS guidance there have been recent cases identified locally on the Yorkshire Coast.

Be aware that online messaging Apps, video sharing (Tik Tok) and online gaming pose a significant risk.

### **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.

<https://www.ceopeducation.co.uk/parents/articles/online-blackmail/>

## HEALTH ADVICE

Within the local community there can be outbreaks of infectious childhood diseases. We have been informed locally that Hand, Foot and Mouth is prevalent at this time. Please see the attached NHS guidance on symptoms.

[www.nhs.uk/conditions/hand-foot-mouth-disease](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/hand-foot-mouth-disease)

As with all infectious diseases it is important to note that students have access to hand washing facilities on the ground floor. This is especially important before and after eating at break and lunchtimes. Regular hand washing is a very effective method of preventing and avoiding infections to improve overall health.

## 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

<https://oursaferschools.co.uk/2022/09/30/dangerous-chat-rooms-alert/>

## 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 <https://thegoto.org.uk/>

Email: [info@community-counselling.org.uk](mailto:info@community-counselling.org.uk)

Website: [www.community-counselling.org.uk](http://www.community-counselling.org.uk)

Telephone: 01653 690124

<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/mobile-phone-safety/>

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/explore-mental-health/a-z-topics/physical-activity-and-mental-health>

<https://www.koothplc.com/our-products/young-people>

## 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

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 – this includes ear buds and smart watches.

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 <sup>th</sup> May 2024 and ends on 19 <sup>th</sup> June 2024
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Year 10 & 12 Progress Evening 3pm-6pm	Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2024
Term Ends	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2024
Professional Development Training Day	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2024
A Level Results Day	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> August from 8.30am
GCSE Results Day	Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> August from 8.30am