

29th September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

As we approach the end of September, I would like to provide you with another update on some of the highlights of this week.

At Holderness Academy & Sixth Form College, we are very lucky to have such a large amount of green space for our students to enjoy. This week, we have been very fortunate to have a range of visitors on site, including deers on the field and ducks in the pond!

Our students have continued to embrace school life, with over 22,000 positive behaviour points awarded this week! This consistency of effort is really encouraging to see at the start of the year.

It was great to host our primary football event this week with our cluster primary schools. The students enjoyed competing and I would like to thank our sports leaders. Congratulations to Barney and Frankie who have signed with Hull KR, and Alistair who has signed to the Hull FC Academy team. Former Holderness student, Lewis Martin, has also made his debut for Hull FC, scoring his first senior try and awarded Man of the Match.

In other news, we are delighted to hear that one of our Year 8 students has been volunteering at the Amy Black Community Centre food bank since the start of the summer holidays and has been able to carry this on since returning to school. The Community Centre is named after a local Hedon girl, Amy, who was a celebrated opera singer and a former Holderness student. Our Year 8 student goes once a week and packs food hampers up that are delivered locally, all the while fitting this in with his football and rugby sporting commitments. We are very proud of his efforts, and we would love for you to also share your child's good news and successes with us.

Finally, we are immensely proud that over 40 students from Years 7 to 13 have supported our Year 6 Open Evening and welcomed over 400 visitors to the academy. These students included seven very aspirational Year 7s who presented their thoughts about their first four weeks as a Holderness Learner in the main hall to guests during our welcome talks. Our Trust's CEO was in the audience to hear them speak and was particularly impressed with their efforts after such a short time with us.

I hope you all enjoy your weekend.

With kind regards,



Mr N Holder
Headteacher