

6<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

As we begin to see more autumnal weather, with a typically wet week as we approach the start of Hull Fair, an update on events that have been taking place at Holderness. More positive behaviour points than ever have been awarded – almost 20,000 this week at the time of writing. This continued commitment and engagement is fantastic to see.

Our sporting teams have been busy again this week. Our girls' football teams from both Years 7/8 and Years 9/10 have advanced to the second round of the Schools' Football National Cup, while our Year 7 boys were disappointed to bow out after a hard-fought match. In other sporting news, Holderness hosted another primary cluster event, with 185 primary school children from 8 different schools taking part in cross country races. It was a joy to see so many happy young faces taking part and showing such resilience and enthusiasm. All our Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4 students have been involved in outdoor education this week with orienteering lessons, working out written clues that were around the school field and 3G pitch. Congratulations are also in order to former student Rocco Coyle who made the bench for the last Saturday's Hull City home fixture against Plymouth.

Students from Year 8 have appeared in the Holderness Gazette where they were recognised for their work in the community, as part of their Lifestyle project. Over the summer holidays they took part in Lifestyle, the Humberside Police youth engagement scheme, and raised money which they used to support Hedon's Community Foodbank. We are very proud to see them upholding our values of kindness and respect in the wider community and creating real impact.

This week we had a visit from TIC Yorkshire, a Tourette's Charity organisation, who came into school to increase our awareness so we can further support young people with this condition; this included Yas, one of our former students who shared her experiences.

Year 11 students and their families were invited to our Steps to Success Event, to support them to establish effective revision routines. Staff shared top tips for success, including how to revise effectively and how to plan a revision timetable.

And finally, we continue to offer our Academy in Action invite to all prospective new students and their families – if you'd like to come and see our Holderness Learners upholding our ARRK Values in Action, please do get in touch to make an appointment via email at [office@holderness.academy](mailto:office@holderness.academy).

With kind regards,



Mr N Holder  
Headteacher