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## Year 8 Netball Team

The Year 8 netball team attended their Partnership Netball Tournament at Ryedale School on Thursday afternoon. The girls finished in third place, winning two and losing two games. After a shaky start they really found their stride and came into their own for games three and four. There was some beautiful centre court play, sharp shooting and powerful interceptions.

Next up is the Scarborough & District Tournament in two weeks-time.

Milly (C)	Nevaeh (GK / WD)
Reese (WA / GS)	Maiya (GA)
Martha (GK / GD)	Olivia (WD, WA, GS)
Reneya (WD / GS)	Ellie (GK, GD)

Milly: "On Thursday, we played four matches in total and we won two. At the start we had some competition and we found it quite hard but after the first two games we got the positions right and it went very well. Everyone on the team played excellently and really tried their best. Finally, we placed third out of five teams. We didn't discuss it but personally I think Maiya was the player of the match with great shots and excellent passes."

Reese: "Milly also played well and didn't get taken off. She was super speedy. Everyone played brilliantly and hopefully we get to do another one soon."



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# Welcome

## Welcome from Ms Boyd



### Hello from Caedmon and welcome to our newsletter.

The students at our school continue to impress me in ways both big and small. On Thursday I had the pleasure of watching two teams of students compete in the Rotary Club Youth Speaks competition. It takes courage to stand up and speak to a room full of people but to do it with such calm and eloquence was amazing. They were all well prepared and rehearsed. Listening to them was a pleasure. So well done to Evelyn, Mia, Caitlin, Skye, Summer and Bella. I am looking forward to hearing you again next year.

On Monday 5th February we will hold a revision evening for our Year 11 students and families. As we know, good exam results are not a matter of luck. Good preparation is key. As we said to our students in assembly at the beginning of term, they have time to make a real difference. Our aim is to make sure our students keep all doors to their futures open and that is certainly still the case. If you have a son/daughter in Year 11 we would love to see you there. You will be given information about exam boards and revision guides, get a free login to GCSEPod (a really effective revision resource), will hear from us what techniques we share with students and will have the chance to put some of those techniques into practice with teachers in some key subjects. If you can't make it then we will make the revision materials available afterwards but please help us help our Year 11 students by joining us if you can.

Ms Boyd | Head of School

# Whitby Futures

We would like to invite our Year 9 students and their parents/carers to our Options Evening at the Whitby Sixth Form site on Thursday 8 February, 4.00-6.00pm.

Come and find out about what options are available in Year 10 and how the process works.

Susan Boyd and Phil Nicholson

# Options Evening





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Welcome from Mr Nicholson



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## Rewarding positive behaviour in school



This week in school there has been a focus on rewarding positive behaviour. Often schools concentrate on negative behaviour and it has been a reminder to all our community that the vast majority of the time, the vast majority of students are displaying the type of positive behaviour which makes our community a great place to work and most importantly be educated in.

In school, staff reward students for positive behaviour most often connected to our school values of respect, kindness and honesty. In the whole school assembly on Monday the following students were rewarded for their hard work, their attitude towards learning and for being kind and respectful to others.

### Each week there is a prize draw and this week's winners are:

Year 7: Henry P

Year 8: Poppy B & Harry M

Year 9: Joshua L, Freya K & Ruby S

Year 10: George S & Rohan F

Year 11: Carl T, Maya L, Beth W & Rosie D

We have also introduced a 'Student of the Week' award with each member of staff able to nominate the student of their choice for either outstanding work or for demonstrating our school values. We have a prize draw each week for Years 7-9 and a draw for Years 10-11 with the chance to win a £10 Amazon voucher.

### This week's winners are:

Ella in Year 8

Nathan in Year 11

You can see their happy photos here!

This initiative combined with our termly achievement assembly, which rewards effort and achievement in academic subjects, a longer-term commitment to showing our school values and attendance is all part of how we are continuing to celebrate the success of our students here at Eskdale.





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## A focus on Protected Characteristics

Also, in school this week we are focusing on Protected Characteristics and an important part of the work we do as educators is to ensure students move through school and into the wider world aware that certain characteristics are protected by law (the Equality Act of 2010) and that discrimination in all its forms is not to be accepted.

Students this week have been working with their tutors and in PSHE following a whole school assembly highlighting the fact that it is against the law to discriminate against anyone because of these protected characteristics: age, gender reassignment, being married or in a civil partnership, being pregnant or on maternity leave, disability, race including colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin, religion or belief, sex or sexual orientation. And that legal protection covers a variety of situations, such as: at work, in education, as a consumer, when using public services, when buying or renting property and as a member or guest of a private club or association.

Looking at this legal protection has acted as a springboard for discussion and education with the students able to talk about this topic with the kindness and respect for others in the room and with honesty about how they feel about it. Linked to the focus on these protected characteristics is a look at the month-long annual celebration of lesbian, gay, bisexual and trans, and non-binary (LGBT+) history. It is also an opportunity to reflect on the history of LGBT+ rights and related civil rights movements. LGBT+ History Month takes place from the 1st to the 28th of February 2024 and this year highlights the contribution made by the LGBT+ community to medicine.

Working towards continuing to make Eskdale and wider society inclusive and welcoming for all is a most noble aim.

## Year 11 academic support in full swing now...

Year 11 are well into their final full term of lessons before the summer's exam season starts in May. Academic support sessions are in place with staff giving time to help students outside their normal lesson times. Students should be engaging with the programme when prompted by staff and every minute really counts now. There is still time in these remaining few months to boost the final grades!

You will see the overview of all the session running below and also the invitation sent to all Year 11 parents inviting them to our Study Skills Evening on Wednesday 21 February, which we very much hope parents will attend with their Year 11 child. It will be an excellent opportunity for the school and parents to work together to really help the students make the most of their time both here in school and when studying at home. We look forward to seeing you there!

## Year 9 Options Evening reminder

Don't forget Year 9 Options Evening is on Thursday 8 February at Caedmon College between 4-6pm. All Year 9 Parents and their Year 9 child are encouraged to attend. It will be a great chance to meet staff and discuss the options available for courses beginning in the new school in September 2024.

**Mr Nicholson**  
Head of School



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Place2Be's

**CHILDREN'S  
MENTAL HEALTH  
WEEK**

5-11  
FEB  
2024

### Children's Mental Health Week

Next week is Children's Mental Health Week and we want to make sure that the children/ young adults in our community have all the resources they may need as our mental health is massively important as it affects how we act, feel, and think and helps us determine how to handle stress.

When we experience good mental health we are able to cope with many daily stressors, allowing us to continue to productively engage in their everyday life, such as school, home life and friendships.

Below is a link to the Young Minds website, where there is access advice and support for students and parents.

Keep an eye on our stories over the next week, where we will get out some resources that could help you or someone you know who is struggling with their mental health.

<https://www.place2be.org.uk/our-services/parents-and-carers/>





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### Rotary Club 'Youth Speaks' Competition 2024

Thursday 25 January was the annual 'Youth Speaks' competition. CCW had two teams challenging for the title of area champions, Fyling Hall School were also represented.

One team from Year 7 called 'Agree to Disagree' featured Evelyn, Mia and Caitlin. Their debate was around censorship of the press, and whether the UK press should be allowed to self-regulate. In their debut performance they were remarkable and definitely a team to watch for next year. The more experienced heads of the Year 9 team 'Bella and the Brains' debated the issue of the UK accepting asylum seekers. Skye played devils' advocate with a very well-crafted proposal. Summer chaired the discussion and Bella gave what most in the audience considered the best individual performance with her opposition. 'Bella and the Brains' were victorious, safeguarding the trophy and ensuring it sits on Mr Mitchell's desk for another year!

Well done to all competitors, from both schools.





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### A Pantomime Visit with Whitby InterActive Youth Club

**On Friday evening a group of young people with special needs from Whitby InterActive Youth Club went to watch the Apollo Players' pantomime at Whitby Pavilion. One of the group's favourite activities is to go to the theatre together and there was an excited buzz as we all took our seats. When the music started we knew we were in for a great night – and we were right!**

As expected the jokes made everyone laugh, the songs made us sing and the dazzling costumes and dance routines had us all tapping our feet. Nightshade, the Wicked Witch of the Woods got loud boos from us whenever she came on stage and we shouted at the tops of our voices that the scary wolf was behind Peggy and her friends, but they couldn't seem to hear us!

We just had time at the interval to stock up on our drinks and treats before we were back in the forest following Hansel and Gretel to the witch's cottage and hoping that the birds didn't eat their breadcrumb trail! We laughed, clapped and sang our way to the grand finale, which we greeted with loud applause and cheering. What a fun night we had!

InterActive is looking to recruit more support staff to work with our disabled children and young people in the school holidays and on Saturdays. Most of our existing staff are working in schools during the week and their expertise and experience is invaluable to a small charity like ours. The work we offer is rewarding and can be great fun and we would welcome anyone to come and talk to us about joining our committed and friendly team.

We would really like to talk to anyone who is interested in joining our staff team and I look forward to hearing from you!

Phone: 01947 601259 Email: [whitbyinteractive@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:whitbyinteractive@yahoo.co.uk)

**“Mrs Kirk and the SEN team recommended we contact InterActive for our son when he joined CCW in Y7. As a child with special needs, he was always happy with his own company and didn't have many friends. InterActive changed all that and he now has a very active social life, lots of friends and his social and communication skills are above and beyond what we hoped for. He is now in his final year at College but we will still have the support of InterActive as he moves into the next chapter of his life. A big thank you to Mrs Kirk and her colleagues for their support over the past eight years.”**





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### Year 11 Study Skills Evening

**Wednesday 21st February**

**5pm – 7pm**

This aim of this evening is to support students with their revision and preparation for exams and will give parents and students an opportunity to work together on revision strategies and provide parents with information to further support students at home.

**The plan for the evening is as follows:**

**5pm – Welcome and Introduction followed by four sessions:**

- 1) How to Revise?**
- 2) Strategies for Maths Revision**
- 3) Strategies for English Revision**
- 4) Mental Health and Well-being**

Students and parents will work together in small groups so it will be an informal evening with the opportunity to ask lots of questions. The event will finish at 7pm.

If you are able to attend please let Miss Caddell know, either by using this Google link:

<https://forms.gle/mYzvviDeZ1Zo35jV6>

or by phoning the main school reception or sending an email – [j.caddell@eskdale-school.co.uk](mailto:j.caddell@eskdale-school.co.uk)

Looking forward to seeing you!





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## Year 11 Academic Support Sessions – Spring Term 2024

Subject	Day(s)	Time	Venue	Targeted Group
History	Tuesday (Grades 5+)	12.55 - 1.20	H2	Invited
	Wednesday	12.45 - 1.15		
	Thursday (Grades 1-4)	12.55 - 1.20		
English	Wednesday	12.50 - 1.20	E1, E2, E3, E4	Q4 paper 1
Sports Science	Thursday	12.40 - 1.10pm	H4	All: Exam prep and coursework support
GCSE PE	Tuesday (Week A)	12.50 - 1.20	T4	All: Coursework support
GCSE PE	Thursday (Week B)	12.50 - 1.20	T4	All: Coursework support
Biology	Tuesday	12.50 - 1.20	Lab 1,3,4	All: Exam preparation
Chemistry	Wednesday	12.50 - 1.20	Lab 1,3,4	All: Exam preparation
Physics	Wednesday	12.50 - 1.20	Lab 1,3,4	All: Exam Preparation
Maths	Thursday	12.50 - 1.20	M1,2,3	All: Exam preparation
Drama	Tuesday	12.35 - 1.05	Drama Room	All - Component 3 - Written paper
Music	Monday	12.35 - 1.05	Music Room	All - Composition
Art	Tuesday	3.25 - 4.25	Art Room	All
Engineering	Tuesday	3.25 - 4.15	Technology	All



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## Why study Philosophy and Ethics at WSF

### What will I study?

Our A-level in Religious Studies: Ethics and Philosophy provides a coherent and thought-provoking programme of study. Students will develop their understanding and appreciation of religious beliefs and teachings, as well as the disciplines of ethics and the philosophy of religion. Be prepared to ask, explore and discuss lots of interesting questions.

### What do students do afterwards?

Thinking philosophically requires rigour, precision and creativity; qualities that can then be applied to any other problem.

Careers where a study of this subject may be useful include:

- » barrister
- » civil service fast streamer
- » health service manager
- » doctor
- » nurse
- » local government officer
- » marketing executive
- » newspaper journalist
- » psychotherapist
- » recruitment consultant

...and many more!

### How will I be assessed?

100% exam at the end of the course.

### What can I do to prepare?

Talk to other students who are already doing the course and ask them what they have done or wish they had done. Watch programmes and documentaries that explore the questions we ask about the world as human beings. There are many books that you can also read - speak to members of staff to get a list of ideas for this.

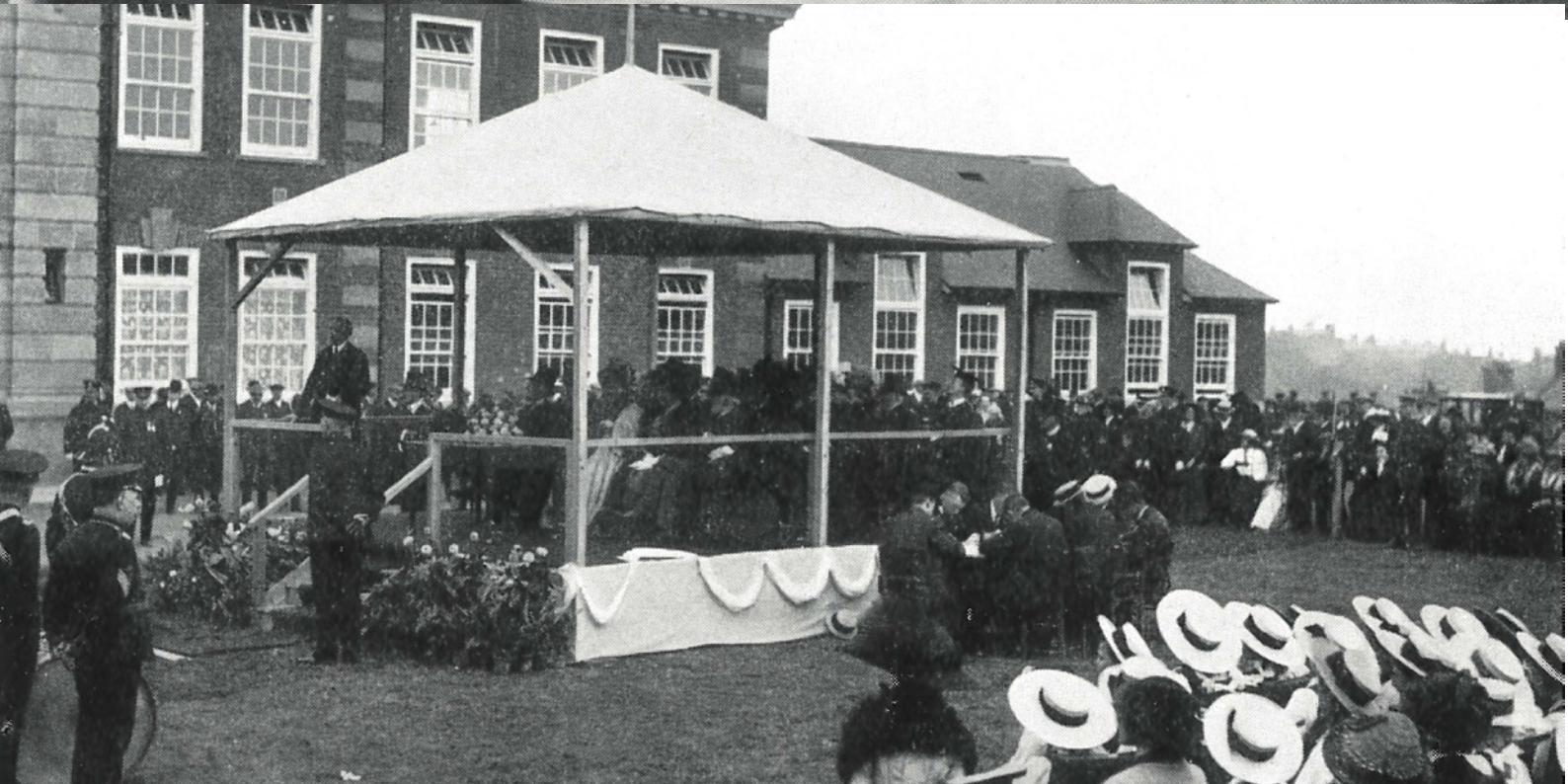




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# MEMORY LANE

The opening of the Whitby School, 25 September 1912 by the Duchess of Albany, daughter-in-law of Queen Victoria.





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## PE Extra Curricular Timetable 2024

Week A	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Before</b> 8.15-8.45				<b>Basketball + Netball</b> Sports Hall	<b>Basketball + Netball</b> Sports Hall
<b>Lunchtime</b> 12.45-1.15	<b>Y7, 8, 9 Basketball</b> Sports Hall	<b>Y10,11 Basketball</b> Sports Hall		<b>Y11 Football</b> Sports Hall <b>GCSE/BTEC intervention</b> H9	<b>Badminton</b> Sports Hall
<b>After School</b> 3.30-4.30	<b>Y10/11 Netball</b>	<b>Y7+8 Football</b> Field	<b>Fitness Suite</b>	<b>All years Hockey</b> W6F Astro	<b>Fitness Suite</b>

Week B	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Before</b> 8.15-8.45				<b>Basketball + Netball</b> Sports Hall	<b>Basketball + Netball</b> Sports Hall
<b>Lunchtime</b> 12.45-1.15	<b>Y7, 8, 9 Basketball</b> Sports Hall	<b>Y10,11 Basketball</b> Sports Hall <b>Y10 GCSE Intervention</b>		<b>Y11 Football</b> Sports Hall <b>GCSE/BTEC intervention</b> H9	<b>Badminton</b> Sports Hall
<b>After School</b> 3.30-4.30		<b>Y7+8 Football</b> Field	<b>Fitness Suite</b>	<b>All years Hockey</b> W6F Astro	<b>Fitness Suite</b>

Where fixtures are arranged, Clubs may need to be postponed





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## Information

### Who do you need to contact?

#### Caedmon College Pastoral Team

<b>SENCo:</b>	Mrs Kirk
<b>Director of Learning Y7, 8 &amp; 9:</b>	Mrs Harrison
<b>Assistant DoL Y7:</b>	Mrs Cassell-Osowski
<b>Pastoral Managers Y7, 8 &amp; 9:</b>	Mrs Wood Miss Clarkson
<b>Director of Learning Y10 &amp; 11:</b>	Mrs Gordon
<b>Assistant DoL Y7:</b>	Mrs Ruberry
<b>Pastoral Managers Y10 &amp; 11:</b>	Mr Taylor Mrs Ross
<b>Email for all is:</b>	post@ccwhitby.org

#### Eskdale School Pastoral Team:

<b>Deputy Head:</b>	Mr Dixon
<b>Inclusion Manager /SENDCO:</b>	Mr Jones
<b>Head of Year 11:</b>	Mrs Scales
<b>Head of Year 10:</b>	Mr Raw
<b>Head of Year 7, 8 &amp; 9:</b>	Mrs Bradley
<b>Pastoral support:</b>	Mrs Wilson
<b>Email for all is:</b>	post@eskdale-school.co.uk

### Term Dates

<b>Half term 3</b>	Tuesday 9 January – Friday 9 February
<b>Half term 4</b>	Monday 19 February – Friday 22 March
<b>Half term 5</b>	Tuesday 9 April – Friday 24 May
<b>Bank Holiday</b>	Monday 6 May
<b>Half term 6</b>	Monday 3 June – Friday 19 July

*(Year 11 off roll at end of June)*



**Training Day**  
Monday 8 April 2024



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## Upcoming Events

### Caedmon College Events

**Y13 Finances and Student Life Workshops from Inspiring Choices**

Wednesday 7 February, 9.00-11.00am

**GCSE Options Evening**

Thursday 8 February, 4.00-6.00pm

**Half Term Holiday**

Monday 12 –Friday 16 February

### Exam Dates

**Mock Exams - Series 2**

Monday 26 February –  
Friday 8 March 2024

**GCSEs**

May to June 2024  
(final dates TBC)

**Exam Contingency Day**

Wednesday 26 June

