

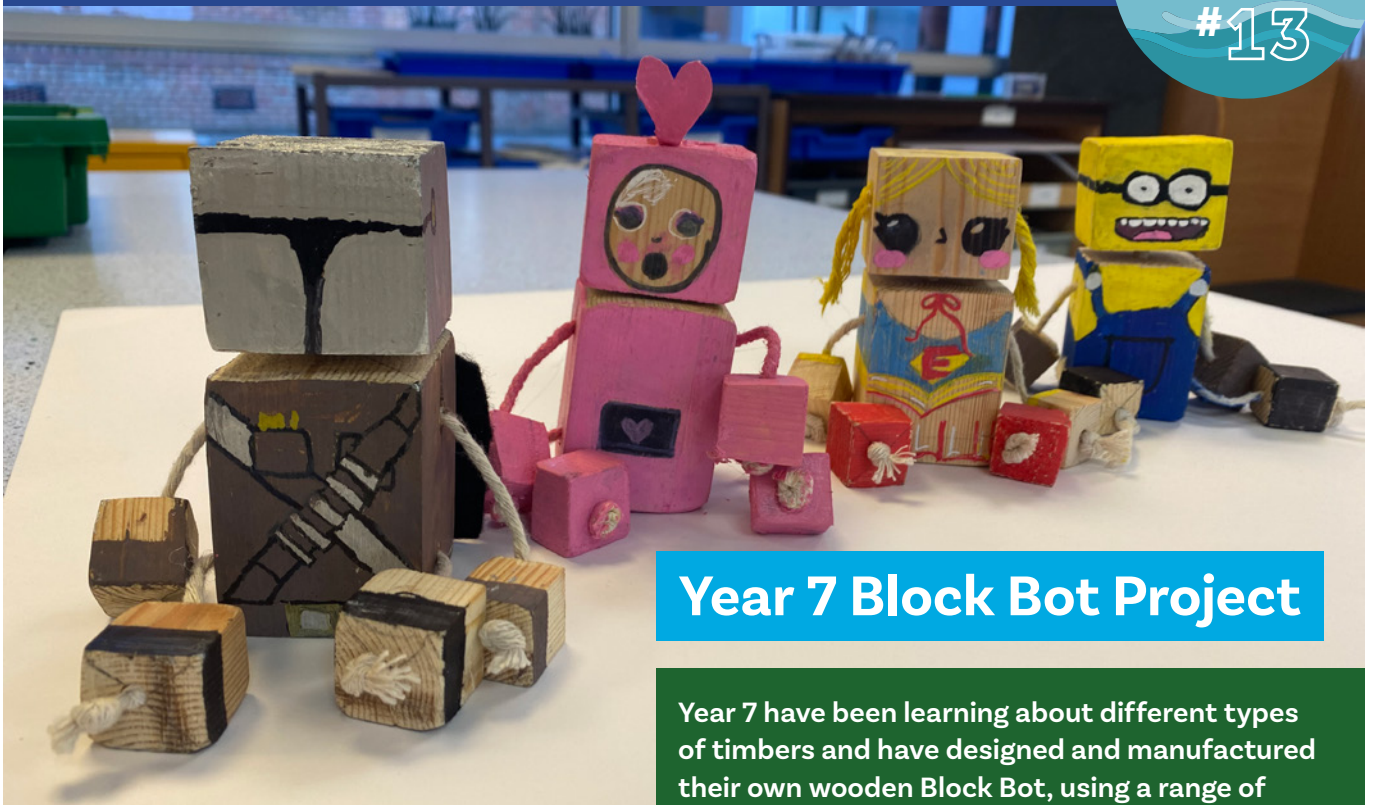


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Year 7 Block Bot Project

Year 7 have been learning about different types of timbers and have designed and manufactured their own wooden Block Bot, using a range of different hand tools and workshop equipment.





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Welcome

Welcome from Ms Boyd



Hello and welcome to the second half of the Spring term

We have another busy term for Year 11 in preparation for their summer exams. Thank you to all of the parents who came to our Revision Evening to support their son/daughter. If you couldn't make it don't worry, all materials will be available to you. We will continue to support revision through tutors. The second lot of trial exams are upon us. These are a way of allowing teachers to identify gaps and plug them before the summer.

As usual, we have a lot of careers events on this term. Gail Mackle does a marvellous job organising these over the two schools. This half term alone we have events for all of Year 8 and several Year 10 and post 16 events. As every year, we will have an Apprenticeship Evening for students and interested parents to come along and find out more from local employers. Please make sure you read the careers event part of the newsletter so you don't miss out.

As I write this we have just had Year 10 Parents' Evening. Again, thank you to the parents who came along. I met quite a few new faces and I had lots of positive things to say. I see so much potential in that year group and I'm looking forward to the work we will do with them over the next few years. A big thank you to our team of Sixth Form MSAs who help us with running of Parents' Evenings. We wouldn't be able to run so smoothly without them. I remember them all when they were KS3 and 4 students and I hope some of our current students will aspire to be such a visible presence and role model when they are in the Sixth Form.

Ms Boyd
Head of School





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Welcome from Mr Nicholson



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A hint of Spring greeted the school's return on Monday. Lighter mornings and evenings are such an encouragement for us all! Students looked smart for the most part as they sat in assembly as the routines we have here restarted for the remainder of this term.

High expectations in terms of the way they present themselves is fundamental part of the preparation school should give students and we will continue to do so at Eskdale School. This goes hand in hand with the whole community acting in a respectful, kind and honesty way. These values we will continue to push and encourage all to espouse.

By the time you will have read this we will have hosted our first Year 11 Study Skills Evening with all our Year 11 students and their parents invited. I look forward to writing about the event next week. For Year 11 it is nice segue into next week's classroom based mock assessments. Here is a real chance for students to show improvement from the November mocks as we build towards external exam season beginning in May. At the other end of the scale are Year 9 who are making their options choices with forms due back on Friday 23 February. These should be returned to form tutors. Of course, there is plenty for other year groups to be working on too and I will reflect on that in the coming weeks with a Parents' Evening for Year 7 and Year 8 on the horizon. That is on Thursday 14 March 4-6pm for both year groups.

Mr Nicholson
Head of School





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This week's reward winners - Congratulations!

As part of our on-going commitment to celebrating the success of students we have weekly reward winners who are recognised in assembly and in this newsletter for displaying positive behaviour connected to our school values of Respect, Kindness and Honesty. Congratulations to this week's winners, who are:

Form Group Prize Draw

7A: Maisie S

8A: Caleb N

8B: Gabriella H

9A: Faye H

9B: Aysha B

9C: Emily D

10A: Lauren K

10B: Jacob C

11A: Kelsie M

11B: Skyla S

11C: Stan P

11D: Marcus C

Student of the Week

Key Stage 3 - Lexah W

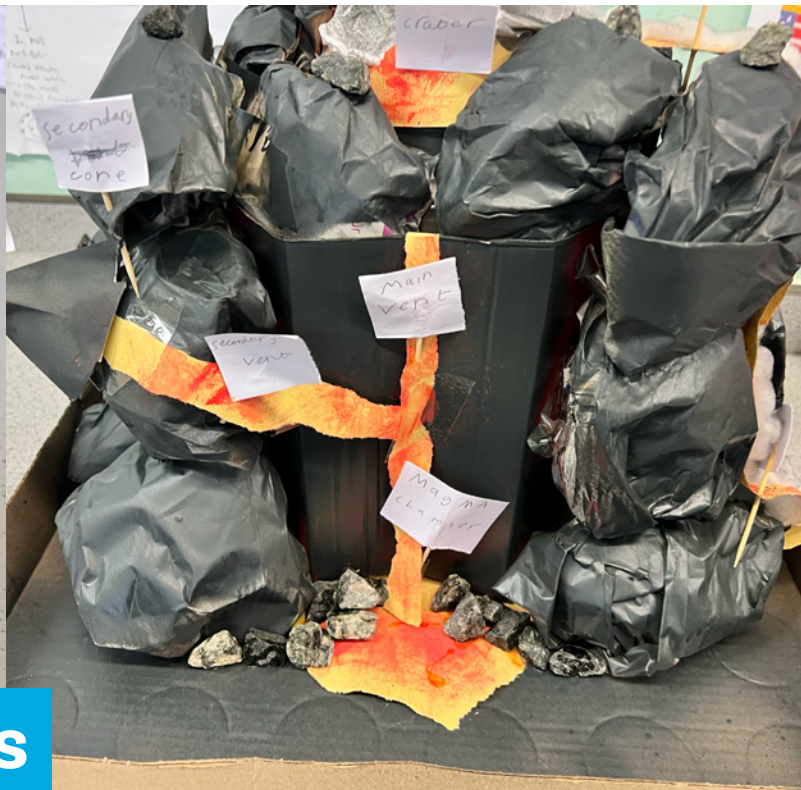
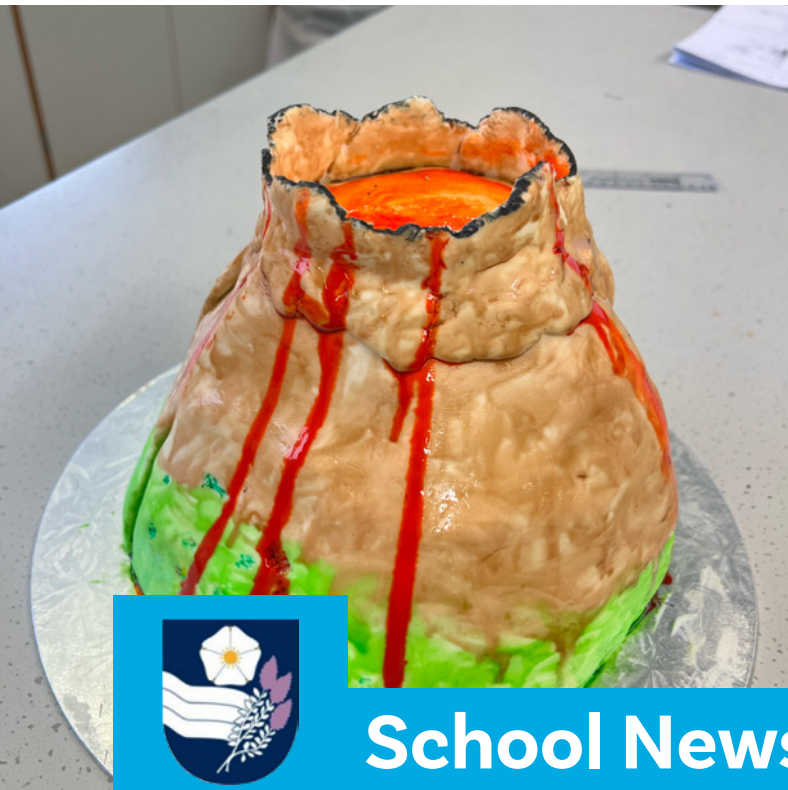
Key Stage 4 - Naomi C

Students of the week





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Geography project erupts in Year 8!

Mrs Winspear organised and ran the ever-popular Volcano model project before half term and she writes as follows:

Year 8 were buzzing with excitement on the last Thursday before the half term holidays as they brought in their entries to the annual Geography volcano model project. There were some outstanding entries with fantastic labelling and explanations showing their knowledge and understanding of the topic. We also had some excellent imagination on show with exploding volcanoes, edible volcanoes and a volcano hat! It was very difficult for the staff and students to pick winners as the standard was so high. Well done to every Year 8 who participated, your effort and enthusiasm was inspiring and we couldn't be prouder of you.





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Ex-Eskdale student takes leading role in music company

Zak Parlby has been announced as one of four directors of a newly formed music company. Zak who has followed his love of music on from his school days is an ex-student currently in his last year studying jazz saxophone at Leeds Conservatoire.

He and his co-directors hope that the new company named Riffs Hooks and Lines Ltd will inspire other local musicians. Anyone interested should follow the Riffs Hooks and Lines social media feeds.





Irish Dance Report

In PE this past half term the Year 9 girls have been developing their Irish dancing skills. This has been a really wonderful unit to teach; the girls have displayed a willingness to improve, excellent perseverance and a real enthusiasm to perform collectively in unison - something quite special to observe when everyone's legs are doing the same thing at the same time! But the best bit really has been the discovery that we had an 'actual' Irish dancer in the PE group!

Bella (front and centre) has wowed the group, sharing both her experiences of Irish dancing (competing at national standard) and giving them some breath-taking performances. A special request to bring in her 'hard' shoes and perform to 'Lord of the Dance' was a real highlight. Mrs Harrison wishes to personally thank Bella for the masterclasses and for bringing the topic to life! After half term, we wish to get an Irish Dance club up and running on a Wednesday lunchtime. This is something that Bella would love to give back to the school community and we know she will be a fabulous mentor to anyone who is interested in giving it a try. All students are welcome to attend so look out for posters in the coming days.

Mrs Harrison





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Maths Masterclass

Simon Riley from the Advanced Maths Support Programme visited College to do some work with some of our Year 9 and 10 students. He said "Both groups were an absolute pleasure to teach". Year 10 did some work on Fermi questions, a favourite of some of our maths teachers. Here are two questions that they worked on during the session.



Estimate the number of steps a human being takes in their lifetime.

What assumptions have you made to complete this calculation?

How many small packets of M&Ms would you need to lay the individual sweets out end to end and cover 100 metres?

What assumptions have you made to complete this calculation?





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Year 11 Trial Exams

Trial exams for Year 11 start Monday 26 February and a timetable has already been shared. These are to take place in lesson time and are a final opportunity to test the effectiveness of revision, check for gaps in knowledge and understanding of the more recent content learnt and practise again the skill of working under time pressure.

Students have worked on revision plans in PSHE and tutor time with their tutors and have a weekly revision topic list shared by subjects. Their Google Classrooms have materials to support this process and on Tuesday we demonstrated how they can use GCSEPod which can be a powerful tool.

Outcomes from these trials will help students to identify any gaps or misconceptions they have and will help guide final preparations and revision within lesson time as we approach the summer. The formal external exam window starts 29 April with MFL oral exams and the art exam although students have already been completing their practical exams in hospitality and catering. The final date for GCSEs is Wednesday 26 June which is a national contingency day should there have been anything which may have disrupted the running of an exam previously.

Many thanks for your support at this critical time, and if there is anything we can do to further help please let us know.

Mr Whelan

**FYLINGDALES
CRICKET CLUB**

JUNIOR CRICKET COACHING

Girls + Boys 8-13

Friday 23rd February

5:15-6:30 PM

£1 per player

Fyling Hall School (Indoor)



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High Praise for Year 10 Scientists from Cambridge

Two teams of Year 10 students at Caedmon College have achieved 'highly commended' scores in round one of the Cambridge University Biology Challenge. Each month, teams from across the country are given a question to submit a response to; this month's question was 'Why don't animals have wheels?'

There were over 400 teams in total and the students have worked hard on this all in their own time. They were competing against teams of students in other schools aged up to Year 13!

Team 1, with Thea, Sophie and Lily, received this comment from the judges: "An amusing and entertaining entry that also made some great points concerning what a world full of biological wheels might look like - well done". Team 2, with Izzy, Emily, Lola and Erin, received this comment: "Innovatively presented and well-reasoned submission - well done, great effort".

Our teams are now busy discussing and researching the question posed to them for round 2: 'Are humans still evolving?'. We wish them all the best of luck in the next round and congratulations.

Mrs Beattie





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ASK Careers Event

Students in Year 9 and above and their parents from Eskdale School, Caedmon College and Whitby Sixth Form are invited to attend an ASK (apprenticeship, support and knowledge) event at Whitby Sixth Form on Thursday 29 February, 4.30-6.30pm, there will be two presentations at 4.30 and 5.30pm.

NYBEP will open with an ASK presentation to explain about apprenticeships: what they are and where to get help to find out more about them. Local businesses and other colleges will be there also, parents and students will then be given an opportunity to speak to them.

Refreshments will be available.

We look forward to welcoming you to our annual Whitby Secondary Partnership careers event.

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Year 13 Whitby's Future Stars

Friday 9 February, was the last day that Whitby Sixth Form students who want to go to University next year sent off their UCAS forms (University and College admissions service). We've completed them all before the equal considerations deadline date and our students are hoping to start the next stage of their life-long learning.

As a teacher and our UCAS coordinator this is one of my most rewarding roles. After all this is what all those years in school should lead up to, a degree, a job or an apprenticeship, a brilliant future.

Where that love of a subject takes you further, a degree in computer science and digital forensics, occupational therapy, law, automotive engineering, horticulture, nursing, physiotherapy, acting, accounting, history, film, geography... teaching... these are some of the degrees our students will start in September 2024.

We have sent off 34 UCAS applications, and from our small Sixth Form that equates to almost 70% of our students wanting to attend university this year. As you can see we are ambitious for our students and our students are keen to make the most of the opportunities on offer. I have also been able to help several ex-students achieve their goal of getting a place at university and our past Sixth Form students can still access our careers and UCAS help service here at the College.

Ms Mackle has also been busy arranging budgeting and surviving university workshops, alongside our upcoming university and finance talk for parents in March. Mrs Mastrolonardo has been delivering revision workshops to help consolidate those all-important grades and the Sixth Form is a hive of activity, with excellent support from the Sixth Form team.

I know that our students get a great deal and that we are invested in their futures. Our small size and how well we know 'all' of our students really does matter when we go on this journey together.

'Good luck everyone!'

Ms Wright



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Why study Law at WSF

What will I study?

The titanic struggle between good and evil comes alive on the page when studying law. Well, sort of. Every aspect of our lives is governed by the government and the system of laws which exist and BTEC law will help you to understand this. If you enjoy legal programmes, police programmes or politics then this course will help you develop and understand.

What do students do afterwards?

BTEC law students have acquired apprenticeships with local law firms, gone on to study law in many universities around the country, or used the qualification to access courses such as physiotherapy, English, sport, primary teaching... The possibilities are endless.



How will I be assessed?

By both internal and external assessment. One exam in Year 12 and another in Year 13. The external exams are based on pre-released material while the assignments use materials covered in lessons.

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. Come and talk to one of the teachers who will be happy to discuss the content and style of learning in more depth. Watch some cracking TV programmes like 'How to get away with Murder', 'Suits' or 'The Night of'!

“BTEC Law is an interesting subject in which we are able to look into the legal system and see how laws that affect our everyday lives are conceived and put into practice”



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MEMORY LANE

Red Nose Day 2009

On Friday 13 March 2009 Whitby Community College enjoyed a day of fun activities and dressing-up to raise money for Comic Relief.

The main event of the day was the teacher gunging outside the Learning Centre. All week long the students have been voting for the teacher that they most wanted to be gunged. In the running was Mr Bond, Dr Morgan, Mr Prytherch, Miss Wheater, Ms Dimbleby and Mrs Latus.

Before the gunging was carried out, there were a series of activities for both adults and students. There was cracker and marshmallow eating contest and also a water drinking event. A large crowd gathered around and gave generously when told that if they raised over five hundred pounds then Mr Bond, Dr Morgan and Mr Prytherch would all be gunged together. With enthusiasm for the day and the cause over £1,116 was raised and to great cheers the three of them were duly covered in slime and feathers.





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PE Extra Curricular Timetable 2024

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

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

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

SENCo:	Mrs Kirk
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Assistant DoL Y7:	Mrs Cassell-Osowski
Pastoral Managers Y7, 8 & 9:	Mrs Wood Miss Clarkson
Director of Learning Y10 & 11:	Mrs Gordon
Assistant DoL Y7:	Mrs Ruberry
Pastoral Managers Y10 & 11:	Mr Taylor Mrs Ross
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Eskdale School Pastoral Team:

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Inclusion Manager /SENDCO:	Mr Jones
Head of Year 11:	Mrs Scales
Head of Year 10:	Mr Raw
Head of Year 7, 8 & 9:	Mrs Bradley
Pastoral support:	Mrs Wilson
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Term Dates

Half term 4	Monday 19 February - Friday 22 March
Half term 5	Tuesday 9 April - Friday 24 May
Bank Holiday	Monday 6 May
Half term 6	Monday 3 June - Friday 19 July

(Year 11 off roll at end of June)



Training Day

Monday 8 April 2024