



Message from the Principal

New Year 9

Well done and thank you to our Year 9 students who started on Monday. They've had a great week and made a positive first impression. If you were unable to attend the Parents' Information Evening yesterday, please pass on my thanks to your child, the vast, vast majority have been excellent.

A lot of work goes on behind the scenes to plan a positive transition and to name all staff involved would take too long. However, it's only right to recognise the amazing work of Mrs Modeste, Year 9 Student Manager who has overseen the process.

Below are some examples of positive messages received from parents - thank you.

'Thank you so much for the parent meeting tonight which was so informative. xxxx has settled well into Shelley this week and so far positive experiences.'

'Thank you to you and the rest of the senior team for the Y9 transition evening tonight.

I have to be honest and say that with a son in Y11, I did wonder whether I'd learn anything new tonight but I'm so glad I came along. Listening to you all talk and putting faces to names was great. xxxx started at Shelley at the back end of the pandemic and there was no transition stuff, so it was lovely to be in school.'

'Thank you, I feel like we know what to expect now for xxxx at SC (and your expectations of him), please pass on my thanks to all involved.'

GCSE Dance exam

Well done to all Year 11 students who successfully completed their practical exam this week. I've seen a few videos and they look brilliant.

School Production

Good luck to all students involved in the School Production next Wednesday 19th July. It would be good to see as many students, friends and family as possible in the audience. The performance starts at 6pm.

False alarm

If your child mentions anything about a lock down drill, please don't worry. We had a couple of power cuts this morning, and when the bell system was re-set it resulted in a random section of bells, which staff thought could have been the signal for lockdown.

New Year 9s will be trained on the lockdown process next week, when we do have a drill, parents will be informed.

End of term arrangements

- Year 9, 10 & 11 will be in normal lessons all week, and will start being dismissed from approximately 1.45pm on Friday 21st July.
- Year 13 will be in normal lessons all week, and finish at the end of P5 (3pm) on Thursday 20th July

Have a great weekend.

Regards Mr D Wadsworth

Principal Award Winners

Top 5 performing students in each year group are:

New Year 9

Issy H, Liana S, Nicole G, Robin P, James R

New Year 10

Calleigh A, Libby J, Arthur C, Ashton M, Jai W

New Year 11

Amelie C, Natasha B, Charlie D, Adam M, Sadie O

DofE

We are now in the process planning the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze award for Year 10 due to start enrolling in September 2023.

Please keep an eye out for further information in the parent bulletin in the new academic year.

Thanks, Miss Bailey

Sports

Our students went to Wimbeldon Wedneday and had a fanastic day. The students were very well mannered and watched some fantastic tennis!



FOOD TECHNOLOGY

The following practical lessons will be taking place in our area next week.

Year 10

Y10B/FN1 (Ms Holt) and Y10A/FN1 (Mrs Jones) will be cooking on Tuesday 18th, Y10D/FN2 (Miss Bailey) are cooking Thursday 20th. Y10D/FN1 (Mrs Jones) will now be cooking Thursday (this week only) as their usual cooking slot is Friday when the awards assembly will be taking place.

The year 10's will be making **Brownies** - please send a shallow square or rectangular cake tin, 140g margarine, 280g soft brown sugar, 2 large eggs, 185g plain flour, 125g choc. chips (optional), 25g cocoa, 45ml milk (school provide).

Year 11

Y11A/FN1 (Mrs Jones) are making **Mini Bakewell Tarts** on Wednesday. Y11D/FN1 (Mrs Jones) are making the **Bakewell Tarts** on Thursday - 1 packet of ready-made shortcrust pastry, 2 tablespoons of jam or lemon curd, 1 egg, 50g self-raising flour, 25g ground almonds (or same amount of additional flour), 50g sugar, 50g butter or margarine, container to carry the tarts home.

Y11B/FN1 (Miss Bailey) are making **Brownies** on Wednesday - recipe as above, <u>please remember to bring a square or rectangular cake tin.</u>

<u>Music</u>

Instrumental/Singing Lessons

To find out more information and apply for lessons online, please follow this link;

Musica Kirklees | Kirklees Music Education Hub or www.musicakirklees.org

<u>School Ensembles – Rehearsals</u>

No Soul Band this week – students are aware.

Wednesday Lunchtime (Years 9 and 10) – Jam Club in D39

Thursday Lunchtime (Years 9 and 10, 1.00 – 1.20pm) – Choir with Mr Bradnum

Everyone is welcome! Bring your lunch and come and join in!

Music in Assembly

Well done to Soul Band for their fantastic performance of 'River Deep Mountain High' in transition assembly this week, as well as Poppy F for her excellent performance of 'I dreamed a dream'!

Year 8 students

Some students will be having their instrumental lessons this week. Please come down to music to look at the lessons noticeboard or ask Mrs Griffiths or Miss Caine if you are unsure when your lesson is. Lessons take place in the practice rooms on the music corridor.



End of Year English Summer Exams – (new) YEAR 10 Students

Your child sat their end of Year 9 exams a few weeks ago, which was a composite of reading and writing skills learnt throughout their time in Year 9. Over the last two weeks we have been marking the English exams, and these grades will be released to you and students just before the summer break.

In January, English – along with several other subjects in the school – moved their internal grading away from the GCSE-oriented 9-1 grading system to a more Key Stage 3 oriented skills development system: Emerging, Developing, Secure and Mastering.

However, our reporting system to you has not yet been updated to reflect those changes (they will changed from September for the new Year 9 cohort), so we had to report those grades using the GCSE 9-1 grading.

We wanted those GCSE grades to reflect age-related expectations, giving a real-time summation of where your child would stand should they have completed their GCSEs at the end of Year 9. As such, many of the grades for English may well be lower than previous reporting.

In many cases, this is not a cause for concern.

The expectation for most students coming out of Year 9 is a two-grade increase by the end of Year 11. So, a student on a 5 at the end of Year 9 – with continued hard work, effort and dedication to their learning throughout Year 10 and 11 – on average develops skills that often allows them to achieve much higher. While this is not always the case, it certainly is what we in the English Department – and indeed, we at Shelley College – all work towards in helping your child succeed.

I hope that helps clarify the thoughts behind those grades, while providing a clear target for your child in English moving forward in Year 10.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

All the best,

Dr KA Johnson Director of English

Notice Board

We are: reopening Kirkburton Library.

We are extending a warm welcome for you to attend our fun-filled open day at Kirkburton Library.

Saturday 29th July 2023

Time: 10am to 3pm

Locations: Turnshaw Road, Kirkburton, HD8 ORT



We are: Kirklees Libraries.



Cumberworth Junior
Football Club are looking at strengthening Under 14s B team for season 2023/24

CUMBERWORTH FC

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If your child is going into year 9 in September and is interested in joining our club please contact-craigmakepeace@hotmail.co.uk



ATTENDANCE MATTERS



School Target	This Week's	Year to Date	National Average
	Attendance	Attendance	(last week)
97%	95.09%	95.22%	87.9%

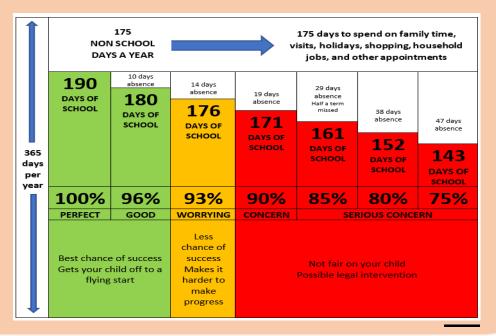
No. of Students with 100% Attendance this week

Y8	332	
Y9	288	
Y10	293	

No. of students with 100% since beginning	
of the year (Y9&10)	

86

Days off school add up to lost learning



Wheel of Wonder

Every week students have the opportunity to win a £5 voucher if they have had <u>no B3 removals</u>, <u>100% attendance</u> and <u>no lates</u> in the previous week. It resets every week. If they do not win, the prize rolls over to next week.



This week's winners:

Year	Name	This Week's Prize	Next Week's Prize
Y9	Caitlin B	£5	£5
Y10	Erin M	£20	£5
Y11	No Draw		



SUMMER HUMMER

Our next intervention. Students need to be in on time to take part and win.

17/07 - Transition week (new YR8-9 students)
21/07 - last day of term
17/08 - A Level Results Day
24/08 - GCSE Results Day

Tuesday 5th September 2023 – Students return to school for Autumn Term 2023-24