

Newsletter



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Headmaster's Welcome

My favourite conversation of the week has been with an excited group of first years who had just come up from their exploration of the cellar in the Friarage, with its secret tunnel and rich history. We were planning a Halloween ghost tour for next year, and the pupils were full of fascinating suggestions about where the tunnel actually leads.

As I predicted last week, the CCFs important contribution to the town's Remembrance Service was carried out in distinguished fashion, with our pupils and staff also represented throughout the parade and service - for the ACF, civic organisations, Laura's Last Post and Captain Taylor leading some of the service. Organisers, guests and dignitaries at the event were extremely complimentary and I was thrilled to see the School making such a significant contribution. This edition of the newsletter includes a more detailed report of the day, and the CCFs recent activities, as well as some powerful creative writing from Rachel inspired by the difficult reality of war.

Do read on if you want to learn from Poppy how to include the word 'Oligopolists' into a poem, and one with a fantastic twist at the end, too. Recent talks, trips and society meetings are described in fascinating detail and showcase the exciting and valuable opportunities on offer to the pupils. There are some more fantastic sporting results and contests described, with some teams venturing deep into some national competitions, and we offer our congratulations to Charlie on his success in being selected for the ISFA England football team.

Detailed within are some opportunities to buy Christmas calendars and Christmas cards - all designed by our pupils - in aid of two important local charities, the South Cleveland Heart Fund and Sprouts. Well done to all pupils whose works of art have been chosen. Next week sees the Fifth Year's performance of 'The Diaries of Anne Frank' with tickets available from the Box Office; it promises to be a terrific show.

Dr Huw Williams

Hot Topic: Climate Change Lecture Engages Pupils and Staff

'We are statistically more confident that humans cause climate change than that smoking causes cancer' - Dr Jeni Reeve

Last Monday evening we were joined by Dr Jeni Reeve, a bioenergy & carbon capture, utility & storage (CCUS) expert from Drax power station. She spoke to around thirty highly interested pupils and staff about climate change, the different effects of global temperature rises and discussed possible solutions and alternative energy solutions that Drax are working on. As world leaders met and discussed the climate change emergency at COP26, it was fascinating to gain a deeper understanding of the world's energy usage, and different steps that we can all take to reduce our carbon footprint. Dr Reeve gave us an excellent insight to how different (and damaging) the effects are of a 2 degree average temperature rise compared to a 1.5 degree average temperature rise.

While there are a number of technological interventions that can help and new technologies are being researched all the time, some of the biggest barriers to combating climate change remain political and financial. Whether we like it or not, whether we are sceptical or not, climate change is real. To share a quote from the lecture: "we are statistically more confident that humans cause climate change than that

smoking causes cancer." There were a range of excellent questions at the end, from staff and students both about climate change in general, and Dr Reeve's work at Drax, as it aims to be the world's first carbon negative power station by 2030.

It was a highly informative and engaging lecture, and our heartfelt thanks go to Dr Reeve for coming to talk to us. The next lecture in this series will take place on Tuesday 7th December at 5:00. We will be joined by Karl Pemberton from Active Financial, as he comes to talk to us about operating a socially responsible business in 2022. If you're interested in attending, please contact Mr Williams at rcw@yarmschool.org.

Mr R Williams



Theatre Trip to Emma Rice's Adaptation of Wuthering Heights

The anticipation and excitement of going to the theatre was almost unbearable. The entire coach was buzzing with conversations as we made our way down to York to see Emma Rice's adaptation of 'Wuthering Heights'. The experience was thrilling; and a reminder of the many restrictions that have prevented us from enjoying school trips!



Rice's production of 'Wuthering Heights' blends the modern and classic through the use of music and staging to explore a tale about class, love, and revenge. It meets and exceeds our expectations with wonderful characters, a compelling story, and innovative staging and props. The cast animated Emily Brontë's characters with love and care. They brought them to life in such a way that connected with the audience; and lent meaning to the story.



Emily Brontë's plot follows two families, the Lintons and Earnshaws, and their response to Heathcliff, an abandoned boy, who is adopted by senior Earnshaw. Heathcliff and Catherine Earnshaw fall in love until she and he stumble

upon the Linton family house and class prejudice leaves Heathcliff shunned. Tragically, Catherine and Heathcliff go their separate ways and Catherine marries Edgar Linton. Avenging the prejudice he suffers, Heathcliff later marries Edgar's sister and Catherine dies in childbirth, tormented by her wrongdoing to Heathcliff.

Catherine's conflict as a character was made dramatically apparent by her haunting use of song and the personification of the Yorkshire Moors in the powerful figure of a choric actress who left us spellbound.

We were all struck by Rice's use of puppetry that was masterful and helped to guide our understanding of a tragic and complex tale. Equally, the band who performed live on stage for all the songs within the performance added to the power of this immersive theatrical experience.

Any theatre should be proud to have 'Wuthering Heights' played within it.

Noah Filer, Third Year

Dulce et Decorum Est

Following our moving Remembrance Service last week, and inspired by Wilfred Owen's poem of the same name, one pupil in the creative writing activity was inspired to write the following account of a First World War gas attack:

Soldiers were forced to move onwards through the trenches, over the floor formed of a slurry of moving mud. An array of heavy boots and bareless, bleeding feet as they marched away from the distant sounds of the battlefield. They stood almost dead on their feet, knowing not even an endless amount of rest would ever bring their full bodies back.

A scream of gas sounded quiet on the men's battered ears as they struggled to wrestle the mask on their faces; one soldier failed and floundered as the cloud descended around the dugout tunnels. His face stained their minds. Another added to the collection. His helpless breaths and pleading, muffled shouts joined a catalogue of memories that would be played over and over in their sleep. They watched as his body succumbed to the corruption of his lungs. The agony of his death echoed in their eyes.

Another body to throw onto the wagon.

Another body lost to the lie of 'Dulce et decorum est Pro patria mori.'

Rachel Leng, Fifth Year



Join Us! Fifth Years Perform Celebrated Version of The Diary of Anne Frank

Our talented Fifth Year actors and actresses take to the stage next week for our Fifth Year Play - The Diary of Anne Frank.

Few more poignant true stories emerged from World War II than the diary of young Anne Frank. Published long afterwards by her father, the only family survivor, it records the minutiae of twenty-five months that two Jewish families spent in hiding from the Gestapo in an Amsterdam warehouse attic. The constant secrecy, growing hunger and friction of living in such cramped conditions could not dull Anne's vibrant personality or her passion for living.

This particular version, by Frances Goodrich and Albert Hackett, won many awards, including the Pulitzer Prize for Drama and the Tony Award for Best Play.

The cast includes:

Morven Hawthorne, Erin Scott, James Waine, Benji Fleming, Kitty Brown, Clara Wain, Keya Shah, Samuel Millman, Hermia Johnson, Jenifer Umashankar, and Jennifer Chan.

It has been directed by Lucy Ivison, who was our dance teacher at Yarm last year.

Tickets are available from the Box Office and are free for staff and pupils, £5 for adults and £1 for children.

I hope you can join us for a poignant and entertaining night of drama in the Studio Theatre, Wednesday 24th to Friday 26th November at 7pm.

Mr D Brookes

This House Believes All War is Crime

This week in Debating Society, with Remembrance fresh in our minds, we debated the nature of war, with the motion "This House believes all war is a crime".

Miriam opened the debate strongly for the proposition, exploring the ethics of warfare, drawing on some excellent examples of underhand methods of violence used in the recent Palastinian-Israeli conflicts. Jodie's immediate rebuttal, setting the opposition's argument in motion, was well thought out and precise. She agreed that such examples of conflict have been horrific; nevertheless, as Jodie put it, there were clear examples of wars which had helped to secure freedoms for people who had previously been subject to severe oppression. Emily spoke in a calm tone, lending an emotive force to her argument for the proposition. She skilfully seized the opportunity to use the date - Remembrance Day - to make her point about war as a crime against humanity all the more convincing. Natasha countered convincingly that, despite examples from the other side to the contrary, avoiding war can cause more problems than it solves.

James, as the final speaker for the proposition, stated that in his view war is ultimately the root of the most serious crimes from the last century, with Apsara's final speech exploring ways in which war has led to technological advances and wider societal development.

Following some strong questioning from the judges, the win this week was awarded to the opposition, due to their more precise use of emotive examples to back up their points.

Annabella Burgess, Upper Sixth

THE DIARY OF *Anne Frank*

"In spite of everything, I still believe that people are really good at heart."

~Anne Frank



Wednesday 24th November to Friday 26th November 2021

Studio Theatre—7pm

Adults £5, Children £1, Yarm School Staff and Pupils £0

Tickets from www.thepaaonline.org



What Makes a Good Heart?

Thank you so much to all the students who took part in Olivia Davies' 2022 Calendar Competition - 'What do you think makes a good heart?'

The submissions were absolutely beautiful and we have loved looking at your hard work. You all answered the question with thought and sensitivity. Well done!

See right for how to buy the finished calendar.



The Winners Are:

Jack Bridle, Prep School Reception (see Jack's art above)

Heidi Harandon, Prep School Reception

Jaydon Zhang, Prep School Year 6

Olivia Clark, Prep School Year 3

Oliver Bridle, Prep School Year 4

Janaki Madhavan, Prep School Year 5

Chris Isukapatla, Prep School Year 6

Olivia Wildridge, First Year

Manya Rajeeva, Second Year

Anna Page, Second Year

Olivia Mitchell, Third Year

Apsara Naguleswaran, Fourth Year

Jenifer Umashankar, Fifth Year

Lucy Woodhouse, Fourth Year

The Runners Up are:

Zoyaa Soni, Prep School Year 1

Harry Hollingsworth, Prep School Year 4

James Armstrong, Prep School Year 4

Effie Peacock, Prep School Year 6

Katie Cheesman, Prep School Year 6

Nethuki Mudduwa, Prep School Year 6

Sanju Vasireddy, First Year

Minakshi Palat-Meethale, First Year

Gracie Rhodes-Hildreth, Second Year

Nila Baskar, Fourth Year

Aisha Thakkar, Second Year

Special mention to the runner up Zoyaa Soni in Prep School Year 1 - for an amazing 3D model!

Jessica Jenyns, Visting Artist

Buy Our Charity Calendar 2022 On Sale Friday 26th November!

Our beautiful calendar in aid of the South Cleveland Heart Fund is on sale next Friday.

It features stunning artwork from Yarm School pupils for every month, and it's even got reminders of our term dates to keep you on track next year.

A fabulous Christmas present for parents, grandparents and friends, these are guaranteed to go quickly so grab your copies as soon as you can.

Calendars are £10, cash only, and can be purchased from Senior School reception from Friday 26th Nov.

If you buy more than one calendar then you can enjoy a substantial discount - see pricing below:

1 calendar- £10

2 calendars- £15

3 calendars- £25

4 calendars- £30

(cash only)



Artists' Corner

Thank you to Charlotte Dawson, First Year, for this beautiful, bold portrait. The abstract use of yellow discs in the background is so clever. Well done!

Jessica Jenyns, Visting Artist



The Winner Takes It All...

Congratulations to the winner of the now Annual Yarm Economics Poetry Competition, Poppy Gratton.

Economics Poem

Key four factors of production,
Enterprise, capital, labour and land,
You should understand whilst I make this introduction,
Not all - but most - of economics concerns supply and demand.

Economists fight infinite wants & resources in short supply,
Sums of money and balance of payments,
Inflation rates from getting too low or too high,
And unemployment using surveys and counts like that of claimants.

No one can win if there's no competition,
Especially the big oligopolists,
Certain sectors depend on each other to retain their position,
Others strive on their own like monopolists.

Now John M. Keynes believed in government intervention,
Of altering factors such as government spending and taxation,
Moreover if you take the first letter of each line and pay attention,
You will see the 'Keynesian economy' that was said to be an inspiration.

Poppy Gratton, Lower Sixth

Feminism Incompatible with Capitalism!

Izzy and Kitty (Lower Sixth Economists) engaged with a capacity crowd in the Econ and Bus Soc and gave an interesting and well-researched presentation on the gender pay gap and feminism's incompatibility with capitalism.

It was great to see such a great mix of students in attendance, including interested parties from outside the department. Thanks to everyone for making Thursday lunchtimes so enjoyable!

Miss CE Rhodes



Where Do We Go From Here?

Unperturbed by the cancelled YSA Christmas Fair, the Young Apprentice teams have had real life experience of crisis management.

The teams will now have the opportunity to sell in school on 2nd December, and pupils and students will be encouraged to support the good causes selected by the Project Managers and bring in cash to buy a range of Christmas stock (with more information from the Apprentices nearer to the time).

Whilst there will be bonus points reflecting the profits made (for charity), as well as individual and team commitment, each team will still need to pitch to Lord Sugar in the Boardroom next week, explaining their product choices, choice of charity, and explaining how they made effective use of their £60 and the winning team will be selected by Lord Sugar on the basis of the points made in the pitch.

Good luck!

Miss CE Rhodes

YARM SCHOOL
Christmas Cards
now on sale!

Each pack of cards costs £6.50.
100% of the proceeds will be
donated to:

Sprouts
COMMUNITY FOOD CHARITY

Please email
jessica.jenyns@yarmschool.org
to buy your cards.

Thank you!

Keep Up To Date...



Capital Times: Politics A Level London Study Trip

This week the Upper Sixth Politics students took their annual trip to London to explore the wider world of Politics. Designed as an opportunity to explore the offerings of Westminster and beyond, the trip also seeks to introduce the current students to various former students working within politics.

Arriving on Sunday afternoon after a first stroll around Westminster to get our bearings before heading to the East End for a professionally guided political walking tour. After dispensing with the hackneyed territory of the likes of the Kray Twins and a quick revisionist treatment of the Jack the Ripper story, we continued to explore sites of gentrification, the former homeless shelter written about by Orwell in *Down and Out in Paris and London*, as well as the site of Stalin's stay in London. The walk culminated in a meeting with former Politics student and political speechwriter Daniel Coleman-Cooke for a meal on Brick Lane.

On Monday we began the day with a visit to the Supreme Court, being shown around the two court rooms used by the Justices and hearing the details of a number of recent cases. Just around the corner is the location of the Conservative Party Campaign Headquarters (CCHQ), the nerve centre of the Party for strategising and electioneering. We were involved in a number of insightful discussions with Alex Cobb, Business and Youth Engagement Officer, Scott Grace, Head of Youth Engagement, Ryan Stinger, Deputy Chief of staff to the CEO and Laura Saunders, International Programme Manager. It was a privileged degree of access that was hugely informative in understanding the current ambitions, mechanisms and methods with the Conservative Party strategy.



An evening meeting with former Politics student Annabelle Kime explored her current work as a Press Officer at the Ministry of Justice, having just days ago returned from work at COP26 in Glasgow. Annabelle was illuminating on the workings of the Ministry, as well as employment opportunities within the Civil Service more broadly. We also met up in Trafalgar Square with former student and political journalist, Christian Calgie, who has been developing his journalistic career at Guido Fawkes, an alternative news outlet with a huge readership within the Westminster 'bubble'.

We also managed to squeeze in a visit to the ancient Mithraeum situated under the Bloomberg building in The City, as well as a walking tour of Highgate Cemetery seeing the graves of the likes of Karl Marx, Lord Gould, Eric

Hobsbawm, Patrick Caulfield and Malcolm McLaren. A final stop of the tour was a visit to the New York-based Helen Levitt photographic exhibition at The Photographers Gallery.

Mr S Edwards



Lower Sixth Politics Students Attend University of Hull Politics Conference

With the new cohort of Lower Sixth Politics students having settled into their A Level course, they were delighted to be invited to participate in a Politics conference hosted by the Politics Department of the University of Hull. The event is



designed to expose students to the nature of Politics and indeed life more generally at university.

The students received a couple of lectures, one on the state of the Labour Party delivered by the Rt Hon. Dame Diana Johnson DBE MP, followed by a lecture on the future of the Conservative Party by Philip Norton, Baron Norton of Louth and the country's leading constitutional expert.

The middle part of the day allowed students to choose various break out sessions conducted in a seminar style covering topics as diverse as 'The USA, China and Global Leadership in the 21st Century', 'Political Skill and How to Get it' and 'Northern Powerhouse? The Politics of "Levelling

Up” and “Building Back Better”. The day was rounded off with a Question Time style session with a number of politicians and civic leaders answering a diverse range of questions from the students.

Mr S Edwards

The CCF: A week of reflection

Since the return of the unknown warrior to Westminster Abbey on 11th November 1920 only one annual Remembrance ceremony has been cancelled to the public; in 2020. It was with heavy heart that last year the cadets were unable to participate in a live Yarm Town Remembrance Day. Thankfully, owing to the hard work and dedication of the NHS and vaccination teams, this year, on Sunday 14th November, we were able to resume our rightful place marching down the High Street to commemorate those from the town who have given their lives in conflict.

The parade was led this year by Lieutenant Adam Bridges, with WO2 Graham Mist and Lieutenant Dan Spence coordinating the rear. The Cadet Force standard was carried by Cadet Staff Sergeant Vignesh Janakiramanand and the wreath was laid on behalf of the school by Cadet WO2 Sophie Brining. It was a very proud moment for me personally being asked by the town to read the Roll of Honour and the Exhortation.



All cadets on parade were a credit to the school. Having spent two weeks rehearsing, the drill was smart, in time and reflective. It is one of the most important things the Cadets do on

an annual basis and we are proud of each and every one of them for conducting themselves in such a sincere manner.



On Monday our senior cadets had the opportunity to visit the Green Howards Regimental History Museum in Richmond. The Cadets wear the Yorkshire Regiment cap badge on their beret and the Green Howards is one of the former regiments to make up the modern Yorkshire Regiment. The Green Howards were recruited from North Yorkshire and Teesside and have fought in every major campaign since the Crimean War 1853-56. These campaigns include battles that make up our three section names; Crimea, Ypres and Gold.

Of particular interest to the cadets was the story of

Middlesbrough-born Stanley Hollis, the only man in the British Army to win a Victoria Cross (VC) on D-Day, June 6th 1944. The superb soldier and leader of men was uniquely recommended twice for the VC in blistering actions at Gold Beach, Normandy, on D-Day 6 June 1944. While leading his men up the sand dunes behind Gold Beach he noticed a German machine gun position about to engage his lead section. With no regard for his own safety he stormed the position alone and destroyed the threat to his soldiers. The cadets were able to see up close his Victoria Cross and other medals. This is a rare opportunity as only 1300 VCs have ever been awarded and most remain in private collections.

Overall it has been a fantastic and proud week for Yarm CCF. The junior cadets will have the opportunity next Monday to visit the Green Howards Museum.

Captain Taylor

CCF Activity Day

The senior cadets were given the opportunity to participate in an event run by the British Army Cadet Training Team on Sunday 7th November. The cadets went through a carousel of different activities, starting with five command tasks - tasks in which participants must work together to achieve a goal - in the morning. The contingent showed good use of leadership and teamworking skills, achieving the most finished tasks out of all of the other groups. This was thanks to the efforts of our contingent, most significantly the efforts of Cadet Gautam Sathyamurthy.



Following a lengthy social lunch break with the other contingents, we powered on into the afternoon tasks, which included the likes of archery, laser shotgun, a paintball range and

the field gun challenge. As a contingent we put all our effort into fully making the most of what there was to offer, even claiming the best time of any contingent present on the day in the field gun challenge, which involved taking apart, moving and reassembling a field gun as a team.



Many thanks to Mr Spence and Mr Addison for accompanying us on the day, even if their jokes were awful!

After the long period in which we were not able to

run trips this expedition was a welcome change. If all goes to plan, more trips will be run throughout the year, with all members of the CCF being able to attend. The CCF is open to everyone 3rd year and above, and we are always accepting new recruits. If you are interested in joining, speak to Mr Taylor or Mr Mist.

Colour Sgt Tarrunveer Sandhu, Corporal Oliver Johnson

SPORT

School Sport Magazine Cup: Win, Win and Win!

U12 Squad

Thursday 11th November saw the U12 netball squad take on St Aidens in the 3rd round of the School Sport Magazine Cup. This was only the second game that the girls had played this year, due to other matches having to be cancelled, but they were definitely up for the challenge!

The girls went into the first quarter with the aim of taking an early lead and that's exactly what they did. Set plays, that they had been working on, were executed beautifully and the girls found themselves with a generous lead after the first quarter. Changes were made to the squad throughout the game and each girl showed their adaptability.

The hard work continued throughout the game and at the final whistle, the girls were thrilled to be through to the next round as one of the top 4 teams in the North and one of the last 16 teams left standing in the competition. A huge well done!

Miss L Hodgson

U15 Squad



Our U15's had their first round match this week against Dame Allans in the School Sports Magazine Cup. This was a strong performance and the girls made the journey to Blue Flames in Newcastle worthwhile. The final score was a convincing 34-9. Pom Izzie Speight.

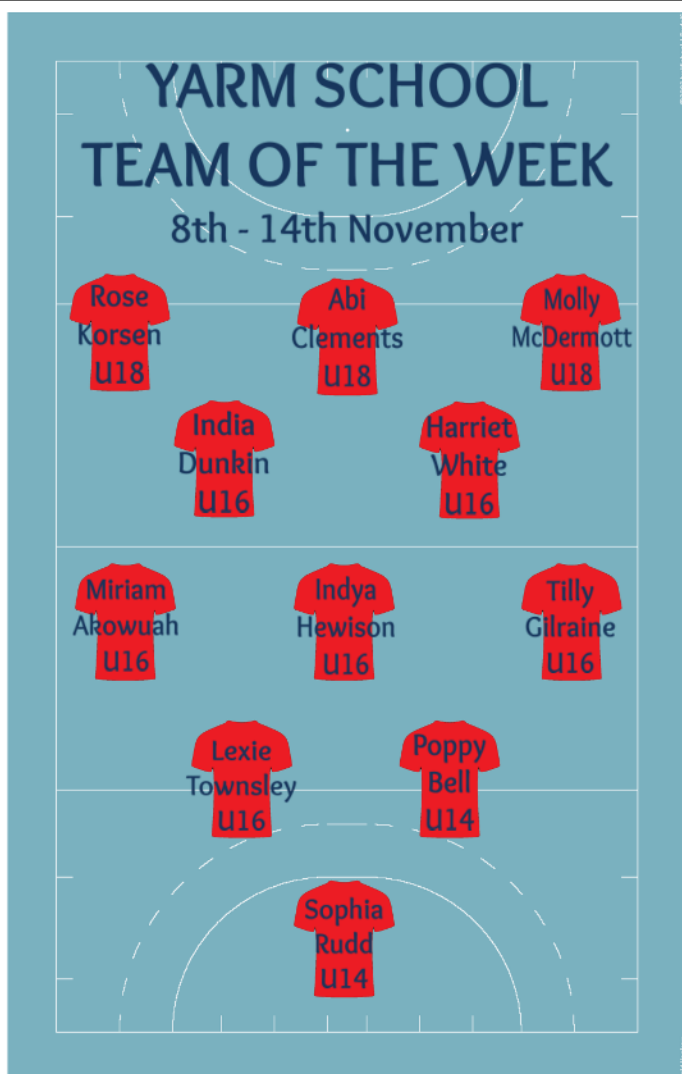
Miss S Cottrell

U13 Squad

The U13 squad had their 3rd round match against South Hunsley on Tuesday. The girls started strongly and turned over the opposition's first 2 centers converting them to goal. From this moment on we dominated the game, with a very strong defensive unit and a very quick reacting attack. The girls timed their runs down the court very well and South Hunsley struggled to cope with our speed, strength of passing and defensive tactics.

The final score was 35-8 and we have now qualified for the 4th round of the Sisters in Sport Cup and one of the last 16 schools in the country. Pom Mara Morrison.

Miss S Cottrell



Sport Weeks Ahead

The weeks ahead are now available online.

You can [view them here](#).

England U16s for Footballer Charlie

Charlie Thompson, Fifth Year, has been selected for the England Independent Schools Under 16 Squad. The selection process consisted of a first northern trial at QE in York in October where if successful you were invited to a second trial at Rossall school on 7 November. Successful candidates will now play a match at Shrewsbury School on 28th November followed by a two day training camp at St George's Park England's training camp at the end of December. International matches start in January- more reports to follow- we wish Charlie well moving forward.

Mr G Ferguson



U15 vs Pocklington

On Saturday 13th November Yarm U15 boys travelled to Pocklington to play a rugby fixture. Yarm started strong with an early try by prop Will Jeavons. Yarm then went on to dominate the first half with Max Mowbray scoring another try for Yarm. After the first half Yarm were 12-0 up and looking strong. A Pocklington substitute proved to be the major issue for Yarm in the second half scoring four tries for them using both his height and speed to his advantage. Another try was also scored by Pocklington. Yarm tried to fight back and scored another two tries courtesy of Timmy Foley and Alex Bromilly. Pocklington ended up winning by only one try and the lads fought hard in a very tough game.

James Muir, Fourth Year



YARM SCHOOL RUGBY TEAM OF THE WEEK

8th - 14th November

1 Matthew Anthony 1st XV	2 Lewis Roper U14B	3 Aidan Robinson U13A	16 Oliver Dunkin U12A
4 Theo Williamson U14B	5 Myles Burton U12B		17 Myles Worrall-Johnson U13B
6 Oscar Burns U14A	8 Oscar Thomas U15	7 Connor McMurray 1st XV	18 Zack Casson U12A
	9 Ben Hunt U13A	10 Tom Fletcher U14B	12 Sam Lane U12A
			13 Sam Arnold U14A
11 Harry Routledge U12B	15 Alex Bromilly U15	14 Ben Dempsey U15	

Yarm U13B vs Pocklington

The final score was 10-8 and it was an overall good performance from the lads. Harvey showed strong and elusive running throughout the game to score five tries, Miles Hatton got two tries, Ben Bardgett and Sam Hillary got one each, as did Ben Hatton.

Max Millington and Isaac Akowah put in a good shift in defence, and everyone else followed suit putting in some good tackles, with Myles Worrall-Johnson putting in more than his fair share. Overall we had a good game and tackled hard.

Max Hassani-Millington, Second Year

Results

Full results for all fixtures are available online.

Please [login to the SOCS system](#).

SPORT

U14 vs Pocklington

On Saturday the 13th of November, Yarm School U14 boys travelled to Pocklington school for a rugby fixture. Soon after receiving the ball Jake Leader scored putting Yarm 5-0 up. Once again receiving, Ryan Mills scored two consecutive tries increasing the score to 15-0. Pocklington came back and scored one try with a kick in behind.

Yarm keep pushing after half time to keep increasing the score. During the second half Pocklington scored three more to increase their score to 20. Whereas Yarm scored four more to increase their score to 35. Overall, the game was a brilliant team effort and Yarm came back with the win. The final score being 35-20.

Tom Burchall, Third Year



U12 vs Pocklington

Won 10 tries to 5

The first year boys were thoroughly tested throughout this game vs Pocklington, where they were faced with some strong direct runners and players who were physical at the ruck.

Yarm players were able to produce excellent speed of ball at the breakdown allowing for Luke Elliot to provide great service to his team throughout the whole game. Sam Lane was instrumental in running direct and putting players into space and setting up many tries for his team, where the defensive dynamo Sam Dunkin's tackle count was amazing.

The last five minutes was the best with tries scored involving all players in the team, and the squad all identifying space and putting the ball into space rather than running side-side.

A great team performance!

Mr L Shanahan

U16 vs Pocklington

Won 34-17

The U16 produced one of their best performances for their fixture vs Pocklington School. All players in the game showed a huge desire to put the opposition under pressure with and without the ball.

The continuity of possession was the most pleasing with 9 and 10 Roman and Junior dominating the proceedings and allowing strike runners to work off them and dominate the game.

Unfortunately this team do not start a game well and were 5-0 within the opening exchanges, however from then on they performed extremely well.

Try Scorers - Gaurav K/Luke T/CJ T/Harry W/Johnny W and Jacob R with Junior N Converting two

MOM: Harry Rodwell

Mr L Shanahan

U14B vs Pocklington

A win for Yarm against Pocklington. Nick Clemens playing in his first game for a long while was at Full Back, Joe Belch was Vice Captain and Tom Fletcher was captain. It was a good all round performance from the team with plenty of attacking rugby. Dan assisted many of the tries and Tom Fletcher scored a hat-trick. Skye, Mark and Dan constantly threatened the opposition with their strong and elusive running. Alfie and Theo were very quick on the wing and Lewis at hooker was strong and hard working. Noel and Cameron C held the 2nd row very well. It was a good game and the 50-0 scoreline flattered Yarm somewhat.

Tries scored- Mark: 2, Lewis: 2, Skye: 1, Tom F: 3, Will: 1, Shola: 1

Mr C Webb



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10 Ways You Can SHARE KINDNESS ONLINE

Last year, around one in five young people aged 10–15 in England and Wales admitted experiencing online bullying: most commonly being insulted or sworn at, or having hurtful messages sent about them. To someone who's being bullied, the world can seem like a bleak, negative place – but just one kind word can be a ray of hope: a turning point that brightens their day and refreshes their perspective. That's why 'One Kind Word' is the theme of Anti-Bullying Week 2021. We're supporting this year's event by bringing you ten top tips for beating online bullying by replacing it with kindness.

1 PRAISE WHERE IT'S DUE

Sometimes a friend or relative might post online about something they're proud to have achieved: maybe an exam they've passed, a new skill they've learned or a task they've completed. Celebrate their hard work and determination by being kind enough to praise them for it publicly.

2 REACH OUT

It's not always easy to tell what kind of mood someone is in just from what they post online. Simply dropping somebody a message to say 'hi', to ask if they're OK or to tell them that you're thinking of them could totally make their day.

3 RECOMMEND FUN THINGS

If there's something you enjoy doing online – perhaps you play a particular game, or you've found a really cool site – share it with someone you think will enjoy it. Even recommending a film or TV show you think they'll like can bring a little happiness to someone who really needs it.

4 OFFER TO HELP

Sometimes you might see a friend or family member posting a question online or asking for help with something they can't do themselves. Don't just ignore it – if you can help, get in touch. Something that's difficult for them might be no trouble for you!

5 POST POSITIVELY

Lots of people seem to go online purely to complain about things or be negative. Just because you're communicating online (and not face to face) doesn't mean you can't be positive, though! Post about things that make you happy and that you're thankful for. It could brighten someone else's day.

6 SHOW YOUR APPRECIATION

If somebody that you know has done something positive or shown kindness themselves, go online and thank them with a message or a post. Expressing your gratitude costs nothing and showing someone that you appreciate them will really make them feel good.

7 BE UNDERSTANDING

Showing empathy towards others is an act of online kindness which often gets overlooked. If you notice that someone you know is upset, drop them a message. Sometimes people just need someone else to listen to them and understand their situation.

8 SHARE INSPIRATIONAL POSTS

When you see something online that inspires you or makes you feel happy, share it with people you know. A spot-on quotation, a beautiful photo or an uplifting video can lift someone's spirits and help them to feel better about life.

9 THINK BEFORE COMMENTING

Thinking before we act can be just as important as acting in the first place. Taking a second to consider what you're saying in advance could stop you from posting something negative, hurtful or offensive – even if you don't mean to. It's better to post positively or not post at all.

10 LIKE, LOVE AND ENGAGE

If somebody posts something that you like on social media, don't just scroll past – take the time to like it, love it or leave an appreciative comment! Reacting positively to other people's posts might seem like a small gesture but could mean a lot to them.

Meet Our Expert

Carly Page is an experienced technology journalist with more than 10 years of experience in the industry. Previously the editor of tech tabloid The Inquirer, Carly is now a freelance technology journalist, editor and consultant.



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