

## HEADMASTER'S WELCOME

There are some terrific sporting reports in this week's newsletter, hot on the heels of last week's news of our success in the School Sports Magazine tables. These include a detailed reflection on the girls' Hockey Tour from last term, and more recent successes in various hockey cup competitions with some terrific wins for boys and girls teams from a range of year groups. Our netball teams have also been in action with a range of match reports offering a very positive overview of results, team spirit and player development.

Our debate team hosted the regional finals in the newly refurbished library last week and Yarm have progressed to the next round of the English Schools Union Debating Competition. Well done to all involved, and to Simone for her excellent write up of the competition so far. Some of my colleagues are raising money for Doddie Aid, a charity which raises money for research

into Motor Neurone Disease in memory of rugby player Doddie Weir. Mr Morrison explains the motivation for this campaign in his report within. We see some outstanding pupil art from Monty, in the First Year, in this week's artists' corner, and hear more from Econ/Bus and Careers in various reports on student activities and visiting speakers.

The cast and crew of Cinderella are in the final preparations for the four magical nights of musical theatre next week. They have been rehearsing with enormous energy and commitment, and excitement is building as the

opening night approaches - do please come along and support them, and enjoy a night of music not to be missed. In another musical opportunity not to be missed, a massed choir of pupils, staff, choral society, parents and friends is preparing to perform Handel's Messiah alongside the world-famous Black Dyke band. Tickets are now on sale and will be selling fast for this once in a lifetime opportunity to hear a stunning arrangement of this powerful piece of music.

Dr Huw Williams



Less than a week to go until our [Yarm School Musical, Cinderella!](#)

## YARM APPRENTICE TASK FOUR GETS UNDERWAY

A very chilly wintery day didn't freeze the hearts, nor the purses, of the generous Yarm School pupils who were keen to support the Yarm Apprentice's Task 4 activities. Tasked with selling identical bags of eclectic Boyes merchandise the teams, led by Ishita and Oliver, had the freedom to determine the optimum target markets, add value, break bulk and select the perfect pricing strategies and promotional tools... With one

team supporting Young Lives Matter and the other Save the Children, both were keen to profit maximise!

Somewhat surprisingly both teams opted to build their stalls around not merchandise but instead games. There was no doubt that much money seemingly traded hands, although whether there was enough to generate profit only time will tell... We await the

Boardroom on Tuesday with significant trepidation....

Miss C E Rhodes



## UPSTAGED: THE ECONOMICS OF ACTING

This week Sam and Nathan spoke about the economics in acting. They told us in great detail about the struggle of getting into acting due to how competitive courses were and initially how low the pay can be. They discussed how different actors' wages are valued based on their perceived contribution of labour as well as the breakdown of revenue from different ways to view films, e.g. in cinemas or on streaming sites. The in-depth level of research the two

conducted as well as the thought provoking questions from the audience proved to make this EconBus Soc one to remember.

Adhi Dinakaran, Upper Sixth

Thanks to Adhi for his fabulous write-up and to both Sam and Nathan for a superb presentation. We really appreciate their generosity of time preparing and presenting and their support for the EconBus Soc.

Miss C E Rhodes



## LIFE OF PI AT THE THEATRE

The Sixth Form RS A Level students enjoyed watching the matinee performance of Life of Pi in Newcastle on Wednesday.

It was an amazing performance, which delved into relevant themes to our RS curriculum. The show explored ideas of faith, existence and the intersection between spirituality and reality, which will make for interesting discussions back in the classroom.

Mrs S Lodge



## COLLABORATION WITH BLACK DYKE BAND

Tickets already selling for our collaboration with the world famous Black Dyke Band. The choir is made up of Prep School choristers, members of Senior School choir, Yarm School Choral Society and a community chorus. If any parents have sung the Messiah and would like to get involved, it's not too late. Please get in touch with Katie Staggs ([kels@yarmschool.org](mailto:kels@yarmschool.org)) for further information.

It is going to be incredible! Please come and hear our very special performance of Handel's Messiah.

Mrs K Staggs

Yarm School Choral Society, Festival Chorus and Yarm Senior and Prep School Choirs  
accompanied by the world famous Black Dyke Band present:

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**23rd MARCH**  
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*Each new generation of  
fleet-fingered cornet and  
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another layer of  
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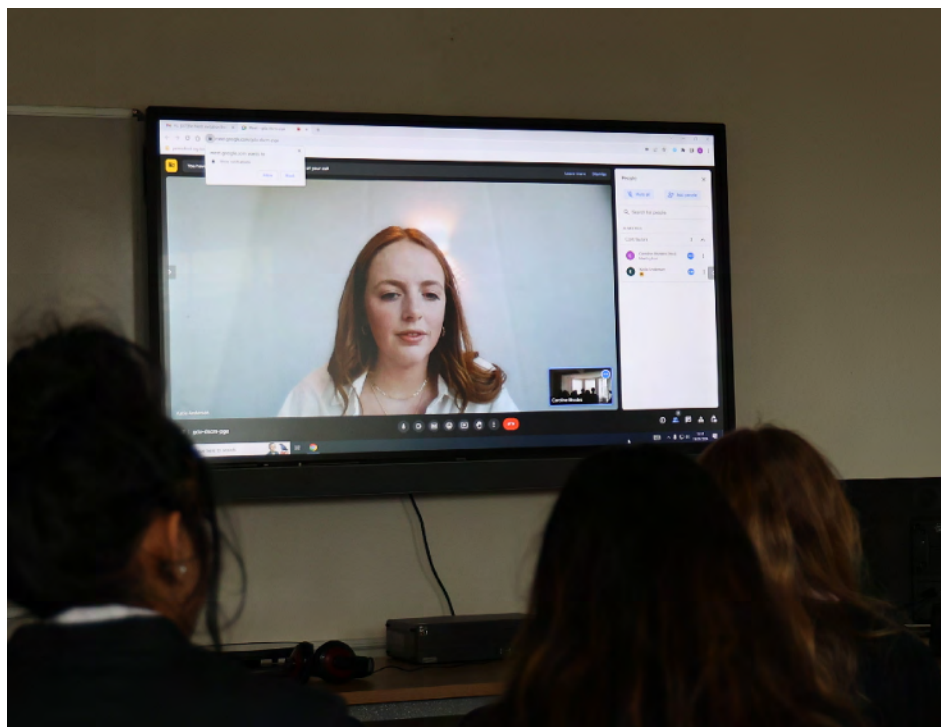
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## LONDON CALLING...



This week's FAME Friday Working Lunch saw the Sixth Form involved in a Google Meet with FP Katie Anderson (Class of 2018).

After enjoying Economics A-Level (and Maths, Further Maths and History) at Yarm, (and of course being declared the winner of Yarm Apprentice in 2017) Katie studied Economics & Management at Oxford University, and found herself increasingly drawn to management related topics and indeed writing her dissertation on Cadbury. Whilst at university, she also interned at McKinsey & Company, a global management consultancy firm. She has now worked there since graduating, predominantly focusing on large scale transformation programmes and she was excited to return to Yarm (be it virtually) to share her experiences.

Katie gave us an insight into what management consultancy really involves, an appreciation of the benefits to be had and the pressures faced in her role, as well as offering advice on how to optimise chances of application success. Katie was candid with her responses and supportive in her guidance, and we are really grateful to her for being so generous with her time, especially as she had only just arrived back in London after being in the USA for work.

We wish Katie continued success in the workplace and hope she can join us in person for another WL in the not too distant future.

Miss C E Rhodes

## ARTISTS' CORNER

Thank you to Monty Van Niekerk for these fab drawings.

I'm super impressed with Mr Fox and Duckworth as they are so dynamic and full of character! Monty's use of line, colour and detail adds to their expressions. Well done, Monty!

Miss A Street



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## SUCCESS FOR YARM DEBATERS IN ROUND 2 OF ESU

On Thursday 18th of January, the Yarm debating team progressed to the next round of the English Schools Union Debating Competition securing their place in the regional final!

Yarm's ESU team consists of 5 senior debaters from the sixth form; James, Morven, Brooke, Sara and Simmi. The latter three competed in this round of the competition, in opposition to the motion "This house believes that schools should focus on maximising student's value to the modern workplace instead of providing a broad and balanced education".

Yarm School hosted this round of the competition, with four other (relatively) local schools making the trip to us. They were all impressed by the quality of the new library, which served as a fantastic venue for the competition. Thank you to Mrs Mason and Miss Dixon-Barker for accommodating us, and to Estates and IT for setting everything up so professionally.

The team were faced with the challenge of the proposing team presenting virtually via Zoom, but they handled this with commendable patience and seamless integration into their speeches, addressing and giving points of information effectively.

Brooke opened by exploring the importance of a 'broad and balanced' education when it came to helping young people find their passions,

whilst also expressing the importance of PSHE. She defined the key terms in the motion as well as introducing her team and their structure. Brooke further emphasised the important role that education plays for those who need special educational support and the role of education for those who won't go into a workplace in their future.

Sara then rebutted the propositions' point about having students specialise at a young age in what they prefer, drawing from her personal anecdote about switching career paths. She then continued onto her main speech raising the issues with the concept of a 'modern workplace' as the world is ever changing including the jobs and roles that exist within modern society. Sara further emphasised the problem with workaholic culture and the issues within countries who have shown more focus on maximising students'

preparedness for the workplace over their well-being.

After receiving questions from the audience, Simmi used her closing speech to answer these effectively. She gave responses to why students should have to take subjects they dislike and why extracurriculars could give a broad and balanced education.

Simmi then summarised the opposition's argument highlighting the role education plays to provide young people with the knowledge and freedom that will satisfy their creative needs whilst also creating citizens who will not only contribute to their workplaces successfully but also society.

Yarm's team scored the highest of the 6 schools and received wonderful feedback from the two external judges from the ESU team. Best of luck for the future rounds, Yarm Debaters!

Simone Sharma, Upper Sixth



## DODDIE AID 2024



Doddie Aid is a mass participation event created to raise money to tackle Motor Neurone Disease. Participants are encouraged to cover as many miles as possible in any form of physical activity for a 6 week period from January 1st. Doddie Aid was set up following former Scotland and British Lion rugby player Doddie Weir being diagnosed with MND in 2017.

I was inspired to join the Doddie Aid challenge as I've always had a special admiration for Doddie Weir. The second row from the Scottish borders played for Newcastle Falcons in the late 90s when I was a season ticket holder. Doddie was one of the best lock forwards in the world at the time and his exploits saw him selected for the British and Irish Lions tour of South Africa in 1997. Doddie played the game in the right way. He was competitive and intense on the field whilst being a great team player, often

taking it upon himself to raise morale with his good humour. He also had a great deal of humility and would spend hours after games signing autographs and chatting to fans.

A film crew decided to follow the 97' Lions tour and make a documentary about the challenge the British players faced in taking on the then world champions in their own country. Living with Lions became one of the best sports documentaries ever made.

Doddie was one of the main stars. He featured in many of the clips, training and playing hard but also spending time laughing and joking with team-mates. Doddie suffered a serious knee injury by an act of foul play whilst playing in a midweek fixture against Mpumalanga. In a heartbreaking scene, team doctor James Robson gave Doddie the news that his tour was over as he had ruptured his medial ligament, Doddie fought back tears as he responded from the physio bed; "ahh well, it's been a good ride eh".

Doddie Weir inspired me to play rugby, a sport that has given me so much in my life, from being able to travel the world to forming lifelong friendships with teammates and opponents alike. When I heard of Doddie's passing in November 2022, I wanted to do something to honour the great man, not just for motivating me to pick up a rugby ball, but for the

values he carried and stood for. I was also encouraged by the actions of former rugby league player and current England rugby union coach Kevin Sinfield who, in November last year, raised £1.5 million for MND charities by running from Edinburgh to Manchester, completing 7 ultra marathons in 7 days. Sinfield's achievements were documented in the BBC Two programme; Going the Extra Mile, in which he talks about his desire to do something to help his teammate and friend Rob Burrows who was diagnosed with MND in 2019. When Sinfield arrived at Old Trafford at the end of his challenge he commented "if we can all be a better friend at times, the world will be a better place". Sinfield recently completed his latest challenge for MND research - 7 ultra marathons in 7 days across UK cities, finishing on the Mall in London.

At present 7 members of the senior school staff have joined the Doddie Aid 2024 challenge. Mr Taylor is currently top of the standings. He is closely pursued by Mr Baker, Mr Grimwood, Mrs Baines, Miss Street, Mr Collins, Miss Howell and myself. If you are thinking of taking part you can still sign up and donate by searching for Doddie Aid 2024. All forms of exercise count.

Mr A J Morrison

## DENTIST VISITS MED SOC

Ben Wild visited and spoke to the Medical Society about the options available in a career in dentistry. He spoke about his inspiration to become a dentist and the many avenues and opportunities available once qualified. Students learnt about how dentists are trained, the advances in technology which have supported significant changes in the way dentists can work and the challenges

that they might face in the future. We are very grateful for his time and he will no doubt have inspired our

students to explore dentistry as a career.

Mr T Newman



## WHAT'S THE NAME OF THE GAME?



Whilst the rest of the UK eagerly anticipates the return of "The Apprentice", due to return to our television screens next week, our Yarm Apprentices faced their 4th Boardroom.

After battling the frost to complete the "Boyes Bag" challenge through lunchtime last Thursday, the teams each had five minutes in the Boardroom to justify to Lord Sugar (Mrs Saddington) their decision making and describe their activities. Ishita's team "Miracle Sellers", were first to present. They described tentative attempts at costing and a

decision to offer a game with goods as prizes, instead of selling the items directly. Value was added with supplementary sweets as prizes and they chose to support "Young Minds". Oliver's team "Bring the Change", were supporting "Save the Children" and they too had chosen to run a game, justifying it on the basis of YSA Christmas Fair game success. They spent their adding value on plastic cups for their game!

The post-presentation interrogation was intense, with clarification required by Lord Sugar and Karren/Claude/Tim as to why target markets had not been identified, precise costings determined and effective pricing strategies selected. Lord Sugar then revealed the value of the "Boyes Bag" (£46 per team), both teams having underestimated this, and the end of task profits were revealed.

Save the Children will be receiving £1.83 and Young Minds £47.15, so Ishita and team celebrated with shortbread and smoothies, whilst Oliver made the difficult decision to bring Pearl and Will back to the Boardroom, and Oliver was eventually fired!

Winning PM points were awarded to Ishita. The peer points went to Kyra, Alex and Jack, whilst Karren/Claude/Tim credited Evie and Harvey, and Lucy and Jack with the outstanding contribution points.

Many thanks to Mrs Saddington for being a superb Lord Sugar and to Gracie R-H for selecting the stock for the task.

With just two tasks remaining, we can't wait to see who will be Yarm Apprentice 2024.

Miss C E Rhodes



# Disney

# Inspired

## Recycled Garment Competition



Products will be worn  
Tuesday 23<sup>th</sup> April  
**Fashion Show**  
Senior School PAF - 6:00pm  
(tickets not required)  
See Ms Jackson for details

Garments  
constructed from  
**unwanted materials.**

Judging Criteria:

- Use of the Disney theme
- Quality of the product
- Originality of the design



## NETBALL MATCH REPORTS

**U12A vs Teesside High**

Tuesday 16th January we travelled to Teesside High. This was our first league match which was a very close game. The team felt a mix of emotions including nervous excitement and many more. The first quarter was a tough start with the end result 3-1 for the first quarter. Teesside High were a strong team which were hungry for the ball with lots of battle in the second quarter. The third quarter ended in 11-8 and the last quarter was a close finish with the close results 14-13 to us. As a team we want to move forward by focusing on our passing.

POM: Maisy Vasiliou

Imogen Barker, First Year

**U12B vs Teesside High**

On 9th January 2023, the U12B took on the challenge of playing Teesside High's U12A team. It was a tough and tiring match but we held our own against our opponent. Every player got a chance to take part in the difficult game playing their favourite position and trying some new ones too. In the end, Teesside High took the victory. Jessica got a well deserved Player of the Match. Well done to her and the rest of the team who played strong until the end. An extra big Thank you to Miss Hodgson for taking the time to support us through the game and give tips on how we can improve next time.

POM: Jessica Mansfield

Harlowe Bell, First Year

**U12B vs Teesside High**

Our first league match was at Teesside High. The match started intensely with great interceptions, accurate passing and great scoring. It carried on getting harder as the other team upped their game. However the team persevered with the score ending 12-2 to Yarm. Overall, the team thought we should improve on structure on the court.

Well done girls!

POM: Lily Cook

Hannah Dawson, Second Year

**U12A vs Bradford Grammar School**

On Thursday the 11th the U12 A team travelled to Durham University Queen's Campus. We were playing against Bradford Middle School in a netball match. Everyone played amazingly and defended and attacked as best they could. We ended up winning 33-25 to Yarm! The girls played brilliantly and everyone played their part to the fullest. Now we will be heading to the quarter finals [to be confirmed]. We are all very excited to advance to the next round.

Violet Mitchell and Sumi Kumar, First Year



## NETBALL MATCH REPORTS CONT.

### U12D vs Teesside High

On Tuesday 9th of January, the U12D team played Teesside High's U12B. It was a rather tough match with the final score of 2- 1 and Teesside High won the match with one point ahead. Although we unfortunately did not win, all our players enjoyed the match and the new skills and abilities that came with it. All of our players had a chance to play their chosen position and even try new ones too. Darcey Pallister got player of the match and she definitely deserved it. Well done to every member of the team as we all played and improved in that match and the score was very close. I think I speak for the whole team when I say thank you Miss Hodgson for taking the time to be our supportive coach

letting us know and how we could improve next time.

POM: Darcey Pallister

Emma Arnold, First Year

### Yarm School B V Egglecliffe A

On Tuesday 23rd January, Yarm U12B team had a great match against Egglecliffe U12A. There were some excellent shots on goal, strong defence, excellent interceptions and accurate passing from both teams. We played well together, altering positions to get the best line up. In the second quarter, we took the lead and maintained it throughout, with Egglecliffe scoring two goals. The final quarter saw us score 3 goals to take the victory with a score of 6-2.

Well done! A well deserved Player of

the Match was awarded to Gabby Burton. Thank you to Miss Hodgson and Miss Howell who helped us succeed in the win.

### Yarm D V Egglecliffe B

Another great game for Yarm U12D against U12B. The team worked hard to get the ball consistently. In each quarter the team showed improvement listening carefully to the feedback from Miss Howell. It was an exciting game to watch ending in a fantastic final quarter, where Yarm scored 3 goals. Yarm took the win for the game this afternoon 4-1 and Congratulations to Mollie Subeson who was awarded the Player of the Match.

Harlowe Bell, First Year



## SPORT WEEK AHEAD

The weeks ahead are now available online.

You can [view them here](#).

## GIRLS' HOCKEY HOLLAND TOUR 2023

Last term our girls U14 and U13 hockey teams travelled to Holland for their sports tour of 2023. They had an early morning start by departing from Yarm school at 3am, but this was thankfully made somewhat enjoyable with Anna's mum's cupcakes. The trip was jam packed with daily fun activities. As an example, we were treated to two pro coaching sessions on Monday and Tuesday, which were very useful and helped us develop our hockey skills going into the week's matches. We also played some competitive though enjoyable bowling and mini golf, went shopping, visited the Van Gogh museum, and

spent a great day at the theme park. We even spent some time improving our geography and history skills by taking a canal tour ride through the main streets of Amsterdam and finding out its history. Our favourite parts of the trip were winning our last match, eating out at the pancake house and becoming friends with the girls from the other teams. Even though the opposing teams put up a great challenge to compete against, it was definitely a great learning experience for us all. Throughout the week our team bonded which improved our relationships on and off the pitch. We

competed against many incredible teams during our tour and even made some dutch friends, though our favourite team was probably HCS. Even though some parts of the trip were difficult and tiring, we'd like to thank our teachers for always trying their best to create a great atmosphere for us. So thank you to Miss Hodgson, Mrs Howell, Mrs Gratton and Miss Hodgson. We all thoroughly enjoyed the trip and were so grateful to be given this incredible opportunity in our sports tour of 2023.

Caitlin Anderson, Third Year



## GIRLS' INDOOR HOCKEY REGIONALS AND NATIONALS

On the 1st December the team travelled to Bradford to compete in the regional indoor hockey tournament, hoping to earn a place in the national finals. We finished top of our group with some strong wins against Wakefield, Mount St Mary's, Scarborough College and GSAL and progressed through to the second stage. Beating Hymers 6-1 in the semi final meant we were to face rivals GSAL, once again, in the final. After a fantastic performance from the team, the game finished 6-1 to Yarm which

crowned us North East and Yorkshire Champions and bought us a place in the National Finals taking place a week later in Repton. We were the first ever Yarm girls team to reach this stage.

A week later on the 8th December we travelled down to Repton as one of the top 8 school teams in the country. The team worked tremendously hard against extremely tough and challenging opposition getting through the day with close score lines and narrow losses. Eventually, we

played Queen's School Chester in the 7/8th playoff and after 3 goals from the opposition early on, we fought back hard scoring 2 goals in the 10th and 11th minute: this resulted in a narrow 2-3 loss to a fantastic opponent. We should be extremely proud of our hard work and dedication to get to this stage and we would all agree it was an amazing experience competing at such a high level.

Sophie Hall, Fifth Year



## BOYS' HOCKEY

It has been a busy week for boys hockey with several of our teams involved in opening rounds of some big competitions. The week started on Saturday 20th January as 40 boys turned up for an intra-group tournament managed by Mr Lyle and Mr Cummins. A great competition ensued with close games throughout. Another highlight was on Wednesday

as we were able to field 4 senior boys teams for the first time in the school's history with over 50 boys representing the school.

Mr G Ferguson

*For match reports see over.*



First and Second Years

## BOYS' HOCKEY MATCH REPORTS



U13 vs Sedbergh

**MONDAY 22nd JANUARY****U13- Yarm 11-0 Sedbergh (ISHC Cup- Round 2)**

In the game of Yarm vs Sedbergh in the second round of the Independent Schools Cup, the game ended 11-0 to Yarm. As the first half began, Yarm got off to a good start with captain Rorke Anderson opening the scoring with 2 great solo goals. Throughout the half, the boys fought for the ball well and managed to score 2 more goals by Ollie Gray and Wilf White. The first half ended 4-0 through some good defense from Austin Elliot, George Howlett and Freddie Birkin. After the half time break, Yarm quickly piled the pressure back onto the Sedbergh defense in an instant. With a great hit from Monty Proctor, Yarm went 5-0 up. From then on, Yarm had complete control over the opposition with Ben Pumphrey, Ollie Gray and Wilf White scoring some great goals. Ben Pumphrey came on to score 3 goals in the second half, one of which he did a great fake to get past the defender and slip it into the bottom corner.

Ollie Gray scored 2 goals from a short corner and a top corner finish from an excellent pass by Monty Proctor. Finally, to settle the game, Yarm did a great pass and played around the defence, which involved nearly the whole team, for Wilf White to finish the play and to settle the game. We hope to progress further through the tournament as we improve. Good game lads.

Ollie Gray, Second Year

**TUESDAY 23rd JANUARY****U14- Scarborough 0-6 Yarm England Hockey Cup (Round 1)**

On Tuesday 23rd January the Under 14 hockey team travelled to Scarborough College to play in the first round of the England hockey Cup. The team were off to a steady start after an early goal of Ollie Gray. From then and forwards the team really came together and crafted some well

worked goals from: Jake Wheatley, Freddie Gilrairie X2 and Ollie Gray X2 and Saatvik Garg. The team ended the game winning 6-0. It was an excellent performance, getting us into the second round. Well played everyone!

Sam Matthews & Seb Jafri, Third Year

**WEDNESDAY 24th JANUARY****1st XI- Yarm 11-0 RGS- England Hockey Cup (Round 1)**

Our game today was a national qualifier against RGS. The lads knew this was an important game! The game started off with our defense looking solid around the back keeping possession and setting the tempo of the match. Yarm were looking dangerous with Timmy Foley and Will Ferguson up top and Max Mowbray in midfield with Myles Brown as they tried to carve an opportunity for a goal. Fortunately Will stepped up and scored a lovely goal taking it round 2



U14 vs Scarborough

## BOYS' HOCKEY MATCH REPORTS

of their players and putting it in the back of the net. This attacking play continued with some lovely team play between Timmy and Max with a one-two and a pass to Jack Van Niekerk who put the ball in the goal.

Yarm then carried on dominating the game with lovely spells of play around the pitch. We got a short corner where Joe Roberts, our captain, did a great job at deflecting the ball in the goal. By half time Yarm were 5-0 up and things were looking promising. We started the second half quickly with Will Ferguson scoring another goal, Tom Graham scored a great goal and Timmy Foley scoring a goal. By now we were 8-0 up and were feeling very confident. A great tackle from Oscar Thomas caused Yarm to have a counter attack, the ball was passed to Timmy Foley on the top of the D - then he did a stunning volley straight into the back of the net. Following on, Mr Ferguson then had a genius tactic of putting Joe Roberts, Finn Davie, Tom Graham and Oscar Thomas (our

defenders) up front- and putting Timmy, Will and Max Mowbray (our forwards) in defence. This leads to 3 more quick goals before the full time whistle blows. The final score was 11-0 against a solid RGS first team: Jack Van Niekerk scoring 2, Joe Roberts (2), Will Ferguson (2), Max Mowbray and Tom Graham scoring 1 each and Timmy Foley finishing with a hat-trick.

Man of the Match - Foley!

Timmy Foley, Lower Sixth

### 1st XI- Yarm 3-1 Barnard Castle (Friendly)

The Game started well with Yarm being strong defensively and offensively. However a slight gap in the defence caused Barnard Castle to capitalise and score the opening goal. Fortunately, within quick succession, Yarm were able to provide an answer with Oscar Thomas's spectacular drag

flick into the top left corner leaving the goalkeeper clueless. Yarm then started to pick up the stamina again with Max Mowbray's solo goal dancing through the whole Barnard Castle team and chipping the goalkeeper to make it 2-1 to Yarm. Mowbray sealed the game for Yarm as he scored another to get his brace, stripping all the energy from Barnard Castle. Towards the end of the game, things started to get heated as Mo had a collision with one of the Barnard castle players leading to Mo's stick being kicked 10m away from him. Thankfully, tension was released as Man of the Match Joel Benjamin dribbled through the Barnard Castle players and had an outstanding performance on his first team debut. Final whistle went and Yarm were victorious with each and every player having a fantastic game.

Joel Benjamin, Lower Sixth



1st XI vs RGS



1st XI vs Barnard Castle

## BOYS' HOCKEY MATCH REPORTS

**U16- RGS 1-4 Yarm- England Hockey Cup (Round 1)**

In a Wednesday afternoon clash, Yarm School triumphed over RGS Newcastle in a decisive 4-1 victory, with a halftime lead of 2-0. The first-half goals were scored by James Graham and Sam Arnold. Despite Yarm's dominance in possession and territory, RGS Newcastle's steadfast defense posed a challenge, leading to mixed opportunities. The second half saw goals from Jake Leader and Cameron Morrison, sandwiching an unusual lobbed goal from RGS. Sam Arnold's energetic attacking moves from center back earned him the title of man of the match. Yarm's next challenge in the England Hockey Championships will be an away game against St Peter's.

**2nd XI- Barnard Castle 0-2 Yarm (Friendly)**

Despite controlling the majority of possession from the outset, Yarm 2's were unable to make their superiority count- a solitary well-taken goal from the composed Diego Garcia Alvarez being their only return from a lack-lustre first half that could have been worse but for a late miss by the Barney centre-forward from a penalty corner. The second half saw sharper passing and better movement off the ball by Yarm who laid siege to the Barney goal but again, poor finishing under pressure and several goalmouth scrambles resulted in only

one further goal by Finlay Carter, giving Yarm a deserved 2-0 win. Ollie Best made a strong team debut and just missed out on Man-of-the-Match award which went to Luke Gaughan for his energetic and fluent all-round performance.





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# FREE SPEECH

# HATE SPEECH

Everyone in the UK has the right of "freedom of expression". That's the right to voice your opinions and share information and ideas with others. It's *not* the right to say whatever you want without regard for others' feelings and values. We all have a responsibility to use this right properly: being respectful and inclusive to others. Whether online or offline, communication attacking or discriminating against groups or individuals (because of protected characteristics like race or religion) is hate speech, not free speech.

Free speech is a person's legal right to share information, opinions and ideas without fear of retaliation, censorship or legal consequences. This freedom of expression is recognised in international human rights legislation, and here's what it does for us in our day-to-day lives ...

The Human Rights Act 1988 states that everyone has the right to express themselves freely – even if their views are unpopular and might offend others.

Freedom of expression encourages listening to others and allowing opposing views to be heard. It's important to respect someone's opinion, even if we disagree with it. Free speech lets us engage in meaningful discussions with people who feel differently.

Any concept could potentially offend someone. Galileo's ideas were incredibly offensive to many at the time, while not everyone agrees with Darwin's theory today. Freely exchanging ideas promotes progress.

Free speech allows us to engage people we disagree with in a debate. The ability to challenge others' views is healthy – while having ours challenged helps us learn how to deal with criticism and think deeply about what we say and believe.

Free speech is a powerful tool for change, justice and reform. Many modern UK rights – such as women being allowed to vote or decent working conditions – couldn't have been achieved without it.

Freedom of expression includes the right not to do something, like not standing up for – or singing – the national anthem. Even though some people would find that offensive, it isn't illegal.

Hate speech refers to any communication – like talking, texting or posting online – which displays prejudice against someone's identity. Derogatory, demonising and dehumanising statements, threats, identity-based insults, offensive name-calling and slurs would all count as hate speech. Here are some common forms it takes ...

Targeting people or groups because of who they are – including but not limited to aspects such as race, sexuality, religion or a disability – and verbally abusing them with slurs and name-calling. The Equality Act 2010 has more information on this.

Content that dehumanises people based on those same attributes: referring to them as if they were animals, objects or other non-human entities, for example.

Calling for violence or hatred against certain people or groups and justifying and glorifying those actions.

Claiming that specific types of people are physically, mentally or morally inferior (or even that they are criminals) to encourage others to view them in the same way.

Making up or repeating insults about a person or group because something about their identity is different to the person who's posting.

Promoting the segregation of certain groups, or discrimination against them, because of who they are.

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