



Winterhill  
School

# Newsletter Autumn 1



It has been an absolute pleasure to welcome our students and families back into school after the summer break. As you will see from our first newsletter of the academic year, it has been an exceptional start, with many successes to celebrate. Prior to our return, Y7 engaged brilliantly with our annual summer school and Y11 leavers celebrated some outstanding results of which we are extremely proud, Well done to all.

As approach the end of this half term, it is important that we continue to be ambassadors of our school values: **Respect, Responsibility and Resilience** which drive everything we do at Winterhill, and allow us to fulfill our ethos, **'everyone succeeds'**. As I have said many times, at Winterhill, we are a school family. Therefore, supporting each other is vital to the success and wellbeing of our students, and so I would like to extend my thanks to you for your continued support and I look forward to another successful year!

**Mr Rhodes, Headteacher**

## Sporting Success

The Winterhill PE Department are very proud of the Y7 netballers who recently played in their very first netball match. The students were a huge credit to the school and never stopped smiling! A special shout out to Susy A, Lola K, and Abigail J who were awarded player of the match for their respective teams. Well done to all!

Winterhill Football academy also enjoyed great success progressing to the next round of the Rotherham cup with some outstanding performances!



## Student Spotlight

The prefect team have made an excellent start to their roles, being fantastic ambassadors of the Winterhill Way. We spoke to Head Girl Blossom Odueke and Head Boy Josh Savage about what it means to them to represent Winterhill. Blossom said that she wants to, "help all students be the best version of themselves" and "looks forward supporting our school ethos that 'everyone succeeds'". She hopes to "lead the prefect team with integrity and passion".

Josh also has similar ambitions for his role as Head boy; "it is a privilege and one that I am immensely proud of" his focus is to ensure "communication is key, underpinned by our school values of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience."

## GCSE Results 2022

**Congratulations** to the class of 2022 on your fantastic results. A great deal of hard work and commitment has paid off and we are immensely proud. Many of our students achieved multiple grade 7, 8 and 9s in a range of subjects. Our coveted Hall of Fame student, Martyna Lewicka achieved nine grade 9s, an outstanding achievement. Best of luck to all for the future!



## Y7 Kingswood 2022

An amazing two days for students and staff alike at Kingswood teambuilding! Supporting each other whilst tackling the indoor rock climbing, learning how to build fires with sticks, facing our fears ziplining through the trees, as well as working as a team whilst problem solving in the forest. What a way to kick off our first trips of the year with students clearly demonstrating the 3 Rs as well as being an absolute credit to the school. Keep an eye on socials to see which form will be crowned Champions of Kingswood!

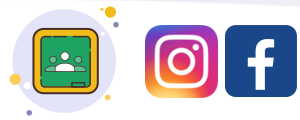




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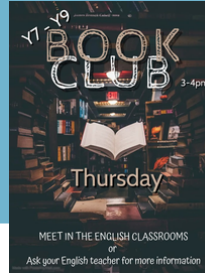


## Reading Corner

This week, Y7 began their reading journey at Winterhill. **A reminder that all Y7 students need a reading book, of their choice, with them every Tuesday.** This can be from home or from our school library open at KS3 lunchtime and afterschool 3-4pm.



**We also encourage students to read at home; parents/carers can sign their child's reading log and leave a comment.**



## Literacy Update

Y8-10 have begun engaging with their form time literacy session this week. Each student has their own literacy booklet with a range of fiction/non-fiction texts to explore and engage with, alongside writing skills which will support their progress across the curriculum.



## Enrichment

As well as our many trips across the year, our enrichment calendar is open to all students who would like to take part in sports, crafts, reading, languages, art, drama, music, cooking and cheerleading as well as our library which is open for homework and reading, 3-4pm!



Y7 Cheerleaders

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
CHEER & DANCE Y7 / Y8 / Y9	NETBALL Y7 / Y8 / Y9 / Y10 / Y11	NETBALL FIXTURES	GIRLS FOOTBALL Y7 / Y8 / Y9 / Y10 / Y11
	BOYS FOOTBALL Y7 / Y8 / Y9 / Y10 / Y11	FOOTBALL FIXTURES	RUGBY Y7 / Y8 / Y9 / Y10 / Y11
LANGUAGES (FORTNIGHTLY) Y7 / Y8 / Y9	FITNESS STUDIO Y9 / Y10 / Y11	ART Y7 / Y8 / Y9 / Y10 / Y11	STEM Y7 / Y8 / Y9 / Y10 / Y11
COOKING Y8 / Y9	DofE Y9		
CRAFT CLUB Y7 / Y8 / Y9	MUSIC CLUB Y7 / Y8 / Y9 / Y10 / Y11		BOOK CLUB Y7 / Y8 / Y9

## Attendance

**Good attendance is vital to making good progress across your subjects.** Each week we award our students for the best attendance with our winning forms on social media (links at the top of the page). A reminder that **school starts at 8:45am.** Well done to all the winning forms so far!

## Important Dates

- 6th Oct:** Y11 Parents' Evening 4:30-7pm.
- 12th Oct:** School Photographer.
- 17th Oct:** Y10 Data Reports.
- 21st Oct:** last day for half term break.
- 14th Nov:** Y9 Data Reports.
- 24th Nov:** Y9 Parents' Evening 4:30-7pm.
- Fri 25th Nov:** INSET Day school closed to students.

## Congratulations to our KS3/4 Art Star Students!

- Y7: Madelaine J / Dylan H
- Y8: Lacey G / Darcy A
- y9: Petal P / Jennifer S
- Y10: Megan K / Alexandra R
- Y11: Melissa K / Jasmine P



### ATTENDANCE

WELL DONE TO THE FOLLOWING FORMS FOR ACHIEVING ABOVE 95% ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK.

10K	9G
10B	8K
10D	10I
7B	7A
10C	7G
7F	7I
7E	9A
9I	8A
9B	8D
8J	9K
7C	11F
8G	STEPS
10A	9C

