

Newsletter

Summer Terr July 2022





As we come to the end of this academic year, it gives me immense pride to reflect on the events and achievements of our students that so clearly reflect our ethos that *everyone* can *succeed*. This term particularly, has shone a light on how incredibly talented, dedicated and resilient our students are.

We have all thoroughly enjoyed celebrating successes during our Graduation Week, Y11 Summer Ball, CPA Awards, Sports Day and Governors' Awards. So, thank you to our students, for continuing to be ambassadors of the Winterhill Way: showing respect, responsibility and resilience throughout. Enjoy your well-deserved summer break, and to our Y11 students, the very best of luck with the next stage in your education and we will look forward to seeing you again on GCSE results day.

I'd also like to extend my thanks to our students' families – for attending many of these fantastic events and for your continued support throughout the year. I believe that our strong community links are what make Winterhill such a special place to learn, so thank you.

And to our new Y7 students and their families who joined us this week, welcome to Winterhill! This is an exciting time for you; you are already settling in extremely well and as you will know, there is much to look forward to during your Winterhill Journey.

Mr Rhodes, Headteacher

Celebrating Success

Graduation Week

In order to graduate, students must have achieved 120+ achievement points each term. Congratulations to over 88% of our students who achieved this and graduated this year! Students were rewarded for their hard work with trips to Alton Towers and the Y11 Summer Ball at Wentworth Woodhouse, both events were fantastic and enjoyed by all. Well done everyone.

Governors' Awards 2022

This year's awards took place at Wentworth Woodhouse and what a spectacular evening it was. Shining a light on the many talents and achievements of our students. From incredible academic achievement, fantastic community awards, representing sports and skills at a national level to our prestigious Hall of Fame winner Martyna Lewicka this was a wonderful evening that made so many of our staff and your families extremely proud. Congratulations to all.

Prefect Update

Firstly, we'd like to thank our Y11 Prefect Team lead by Head Boy Jack Harvey and Head Girl Teagan Maggin for your fantastic work; you will all be missed! However, we have recently recruited 22 new Y9 prefects, making 66 in total.

Our new prefect team will be led by our new **Head Girl Blossom Odueke and Head Boy Josh Savage**, supported by Deputy Head Girls Maisie Jordan and Katie Frisby, and
Deputy Head Boy Josh Mayfield. They are already excelling in their duties visiting our new
Y7 pupils in their primary schools, talking about their experiences and ensuring their
transition has been a success.





Some of our Y10 prefects have also delivered assemblies on mental health and wellbeing and how our students can look after their mental health. Alongside this, prefects did a wonderful job of organising a 'thank you' for National Thank a Teacher Day, which was much appreciated by staff across school. We can't wait to see what else they achieve next year.

Enrichment

Y7 students visited Wentworth Woodhouse this term on a Humanities and English trip. They were given a very comprehensive tour of the house and got creative with their writing skills. They will also be visiting the Yorkshire Wildlife Park this week on a Science trip, finding out about the animals and their habitats.

Y8 students went to visit the home of magic, Warner Brother Harry Potter Studios! They had a wonderful day as muggles, trying butter beer and ice cream, seeing behind the scenes tricks and props from the movies.

Y9 students have been working hard towards their Duke of Edinburgh Award. They continue to impress with their dedication and resilience during all the challenges they have faced. Huge well done to everyone taking part!



Y10 students had a wonderful day in Hornsea on their Geography trip - focusing on their studies of coasts. During the Easter break, students also attended our fantastic football trip to Barcelona and others went Skiing in Italy, all organised by our PE department. Great work everyone!







Sports Day 2022

Once again, we had a fantastic afternoon for Sports Day, with students taking part in lots of different sporting events to win lucrative points for their form groups. Students really got into the spirit of the day, showing great resilience and respect for others by cheering on their team mates. This year's winning forms were:



7I / 8B / 9B / 10F



Well done to all our students who took part and to all our winners!

CPA Awards 2022

As always, the CPA awards is a fantastic event showcasing the incredible talents of our students in Drama, Music and Art. Families were treated to a wonderful evening of performances by our students as well as celebrating the success of our students across the creative and performing arts with a prestigious CPA award!

With so many talent students at Winterhill, we can't wait for our school production this December!

The Winterhill Way: School Expectations

Students will return to school Monday 5th September 2022. As always, our expectations on uniform, attendance, punctuality and attitude to learning remain high. With so many students graduating this year, we want to continue this success by upholding our school values of respect, responsibility and resilience, which underpin the Winterhill Way.

Therefore, students must attend school in full school uniform, including a suitable school bag, their learning equipment, as well as brining their full PE kit as per their timetabled lessons. Full details of our uniform expectations can be found on our website. In particular, please wear correct footwear and note that trainers of any kind are not permitted. As you would expect via our school ethos 'everyone succeeds', an attendance of 95%+, as well as arriving at school promptly at 08:45am, is vital to students achieving their full potential.

Upcoming Dates and Events

Last day of term: Wednesday 20th July, Non-Uniform Day

Students finish at 1:10pm

GCSE Results Day: Thursday 25th August 10am - 12pm Return Date: Monday 5th September 2022, 8:45am

Keeping in Touch

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