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Secondary SEND Ten Pin Bowling event

On Wednesday 11th October six students from Year 7 represented Netherhall at the Annual Panathlon Tenpin bowling event at Hollywood Bowl, Carlisle.

Lucy Porthouse, Kristian Fleming, Marie Slater, Zack Porter, Aiden Oultram, and Harry Edgar showed amazing teamwork and determination throughout the game.

Many half strikes were had by all students, resulting in big cheers and lots of high fives. Staff couldn't believe some of the students had never bowled before they were like professionals!

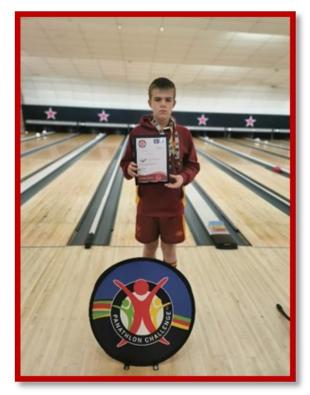
Impressive strikes by Aiden and Harry blew everyone away! After a tense final round the team held their nerve and finished with a brilliant score.

There was lots of excitement while awaiting the final scores, out of 20 teams taking part Netherhall came a very impressive 2nd place, winning a Panathlon trophy and silver medals for all the team.

Next up was the announcement of top scorer of the tournament, which was Netherhall student Zack Porter. Zack received a framed certificate and gold medal. Well done Zack, you should be very proud of yourself.

Well done to all the students taking part, you were an absolute credit to the school, displaying impeccable behaviour and great teamsmanship.

Mrs M O'Hea Senior Teaching Assistant





Eco-club - Green Flag

Eco-club was founded at Netherhall School in September 2022 with the primary aim of obtaining a Green Flag accreditation from Eco-Schools (Keep Britain Tidy charity). The Eco-Schools programme provides a simple, seven-step framework empower young people to make a difference in their school, local community and beyond. The Green Flag accreditation is a way to acknowledge, reward and celebrate the ecological achievements of young people.

I am proud to announce that after many months of hard work, the Eco-Club at Netherhall School have been awarded a Green Flag accreditation from Eco-schools along with this message: 'I hope you and your eco-committee take great pride in your achievements, when listed it's surprising how many there are - however, the real improvements to your school environment with the plastics reducing and lovely biodiversity initiatives and, most of all, your superb tree planting project and beach cleans (we loves those) all nicely stand out! Congratulations to everyone for the great work you have managed to do, earning your Green Flag with style. You should all be very proud of your work and the application you have submitted!

Miss A Cooke Teacher of Science



Champion Readers

Here at Netherhall, we understand that reading is <u>vitally</u> important. Not only does it equip our young people with the necessary weaponry to master the English language, it helps them to access the whole school curriculum. To quote former US President Barack Obama, reading truly is *"the gateway for children that makes all other learning possible."* To continue our celebration of reading, the school recognises *Champion Readers* each and every week. Each week, teaching staff have the opportunity to nominate individuals from across our school community who have read aloud with confidence in class. All nominated students receive a certificate of commendation for their efforts and superb attitude towards reading.

Over the course of an impressive first half-term, we have had a grand total of 44 students across years 7-11 nominated as Champion Readers, some of whom are pictured below.

The full list is as follows: Zachary Lowell, Jenson Meyers, Georgina Nicholson, Lucy Porthouse, Georgie Wilkinson (all year 7); Maisie Carruthers, Aiden Cartwright, Kayla Steele, Harley Wardle, Levi White, Mia Wignall (all year 8); Logan Carnie, Aston Crozier, Stanley Farish, Paige Graham, Owen Hadley, Niamh Herald, John Musgrave, Bailey Pattinson, Leon Smiles, Libby-Mae Thornborrow, Scott Tunstall, Cara Jane Whittle (all year 9); Kaci-Lee Burgess, Oliver Cross, Leo Dalton, Max Gradon, Jake Hine, Jayden Howard, Johnny Ivison, Ben Mackins, Finley Moore, Meya Moore, Oliver Sewell, Lewis Walling (all year 10); Rhys Brown, Kate Corlett, Stanley Dean, Madison Fisher, Grace Henderson, Jayden Hutchinson, Rocco Paterson, Katie Thompson and Reegan Tinnion (all year 11).

Well done to all of our *Champion Readers*. Keep reading!



Paired Reading returns to Netherhall School

After an incredibly successful 2022/23, the paired reading programme made a welcome return to school life this half-term. Students from year 8 once again have the valuable opportunity to meet with their sixth form mentor every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday to focus their efforts on improving their reading skills. Hosted in the school library, paired reading is an activity of absolute joy: twenty sixth form students diligently assist younger students with their reading. There is an impressive collegiate atmosphere, as students work together on the basis of mutual respect to form enduring friendships.

As we all know, reading and comprehension are central to learning; students appreciate these fundamental needs and are happy to commit time, energy and effort to improve. An indication of this is that for every session sixth formers and other students are punctual, paired, seated and working together. The dedication and commitment of our sixth form mentors is indicative of the quality of Netherhall School students and their sense of community spirit – appreciating that they all have a responsibility to each other and a contribution to make. For the younger students it is transformational; not only does it help to radically improve their reading, spelling and comprehension; it builds confidence, self-esteem and belief, which are rare gifts.

Following the necessary school closures caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, there was a staggering 35% regression in reading ages across all young people in our school community. Since then, the literacy team has worked hard to address this decline, and we have been incredibly impressed by the relentless energy and enthusiasm displayed by all of the students involved in paired reading. Last year, the support and guidance provided by sixth form mentors directly led to an average improvement of 1 year and 8 months in the reading age of each lower school student involved in the programme, which is an exceptional achievement.

A sincere thanks to our Head of Sixth Form Mr Pattinson, Key Stage Three coordinator Dr Dawson and most of all to the sixth form students who are making a real difference to the lives and futures of all the young people involved.

Pictured are Sixth Form mentors Ellie Skillen and Leighton Almond with year 8 students Sofiah McAvoy and Danny Sowerby.





Netherhall School students become reciprocal readers

A new whole-school approach to reading has been introduced at Netherhall School this September. Designed by Fischer Family Trust (FFT), reciprocal reading is a structured, discussion-based strategy to assist the teaching of reading comprehension. It aims to develop children's understanding of a text and teach them important strategies for making sense of what they read. These strategies – predicting, clarifying, questioning and summarising – are used repeatedly on small sections of the text, to deal with any comprehension difficulties as they emerge. Through repeated use of the strategies, readers become more confident in dealing with misunderstandings and start to apply the strategies to their own independent reading. As a targeted intervention, reciprocal reading is used to address the reading difficulties of children who can decode a text but struggle to understand it.

Endorsed by the Education Endowment Foundation (EEF), reciprocal reading has already shown plenty of promise at Netherhall. In the 2022/23 academic year, 18 students across years 7 and 8 were involved in a pilot programme with the intervention strategy leading to a mean average improvement of 1 year 7 months per participant. As a result, students have an increased confidence in their reading skills, with several of the participants now being recognised as *Champion Readers* across the school. Due to the success at intervention level, reciprocal reading has now been adopted as the whole-school approach to reading, leading to a greater consistency across the curriculum. Teachers and non-teaching staff were fortunate to be joined by Andy Taylor, educational consult at the FFT, for an INSET day in September. Andy's expert advice was warmly received by staff who are now readily experimenting with the approach in their own classrooms.

All staff at Netherhall are excited about the promising potential of reciprocal reading and invite parents and carers to provide their support by using the approach at home. Alongside this newsletter article, I have included a parental guide to reciprocal reading at home. The approach can help with the comprehension of any fiction or non-fiction text. Please have a read through and see if you can use the strategy with your child. If you have any questions, please get in touch with the school.





Netherhall School students pen their own poetry

Along with the rest of the country, Netherhall students have been celebrating National Poetry Day this half-term. Staff took time out from their busy schedules to share their own favourites with students exploring a wide-range of verses throughout the week, including Brian Bilston's *Refugees*, Tony "Longfella" Walsh's *New Beginnings*, Maya Angelou's Still I Rise and Robert Frost's *The Road Not Taken*.

The school has several budding poets across all year groups with their talent being recognised at the most recent awards day in July. Jenson Craig scooped the year 7 poetry prize with his verse *A Day at the Lake,* whilst Sarah Jarvis was the year 9 winner with her poem *The Park.* The overall winner, however, was year 8 student and self-confessed bookworm Georgia Wilson (pictured) with her *Ode to Flimby: A Little Gem,* which is printed below.

A Little Gem

Ode to Flimby

Perched on the coast a back drop of trees The little gem called Flimby is home to me Passing us by on road, rail or sea No one can see what this village is to me

How did it come by its little name?
Was it the Romans as they marched through the land
Or was it much later they tilled the first field
In fact it was Old Norsemen who give her the name
"The village of the Fleming"

Then cam the coal men
With tools to dig deep
Leaving behind enormous spoil heaps
Even today we can find the remains
As ore stained becks run into the drains

For many years they dug down and down
Pits lined the coast and reached far, far away
Little remains of these glorious days
Just some pile of sandstone, now embedded by the trees

My dad tells me stories of him as a child When they played in the wood, not a care in the world Helping the farmers of which there were four Gathering crops of hay, straw and more

He tells of the shops and businesses gone Along with good friends who have all moved along But one thing remains In our little gem The passion and pride of a Flimbodian



The school boasts a lot of talent in the creative writing department, and the English staff are particularly proud of our wannabe Wordsworths.

Abigail Smith - Taekwondo Superstar

A huge congratulations to year 8 star student Abigail Smith who achieved her 1st Kup promotion on Saturday 30th September, meaning that she is now a black tag belt and will shortly begin her black belt training in Edinburgh with the President of the UK Taekwondo Association.

Abigail took up Taekwondo, a combat sport developed in the 1940s and 1950s by Korean martial artists at only 5 years old. Since then, Abigail has competed in numerous competitions and won numerous gold, silver and bronze medals. Since taking up the sport, Abigail has worked her way up through 9 rankings under the guidance of her coaches at the Cockermouth Taekwondo club during training sessions every Tuesday evening from 5-6pm, and is now on course to become the first black belt martial artist in her family!

I spoke to Abigail at Netherhall School this week and she told me how thrilled she was with her achievements and how much she was looking forward to embarking upon her monthly black belt training sessions in Edinburgh, alongside her continued weekly sessions at Cockermouth with her coach Mr Luke Webster; Abigail also told me how grateful she was to her mother, Miss Lyndsey Houghton, for all the support (and transport) she had provided to enable Abigail to achieve her dreams.

Abigail is an absolutely superb student and represents the very best of the students of Netherhall School. When I spoke to Abigail this week she told me how much she was enjoying her time at school and that her favourite subjects were art, English and science, and that her long term ambition, once she has achieved her black belt in Taekwondo, is to become a vet. We have no doubt that this highly impressive young lady will go on to achieve her dreams and she should be enormously proud of all her achievements, and for the inspiration and example she sets on a daily basis to all of the students of Netherhall School.

Congratulations, Abigail, on behalf of all staff and students and the wider Maryport community.

Mr M D Bailey Deputy Headteacher



Year 8 star student Abigail Smith with her Taekwondo coach Mr Luke Webster.

First Day at Netherhall School for our New Year 7 Students

It was with great pleasure that Netherhall School has today welcomed its new intake of 151 year 7 students. We have awaited this day with great anticipation for many months and today we finally got to welcome our fantastic new students, who I'm sure you'll agree, looked absolutely sensational in their new school uniforms.

The day began with students meeting in the Ellen Yard at 8.30am before they enjoyed an initial assembly with Netherhall School's Headteacher Mr Tromans, Deputy Headteacher Mr Bailey and Head of Year 7 Mr Fulton. It was an absolute joy to see the Ellen Theatre packed out with our new year 7 students, who were delighted that the big day had finally arrived!

Following a tutor period during lesson 1, which gave our new students time to be given their new school timetables and several important announcements at the start of term, the students then took part in a formal welcome to Netherhall School assembly, led by our Headteacher Mr Tromans, who talked to the students about the many opportunities that await them and how to make the very best of their time with us, how to fulfil their huge potential and how to ensure that they are able to fulfil all of their dreams over the coming years. The students were also delighted to be presented with their very own Netherhall School bobble hat to mark their first day with us too!

During period 3, the students enjoyed their first school lunch of the new term before embarking on their first formal lessons at Netherhall School between periods 4-7. The students conducted themselves magnificently throughout the day, as they had throughout this year's summer school, and the staff of the school were universal in their praise of the new year 7 students throughout the day.

This is going to be an outstanding year group and we very much look forward to all that these brilliant students will go on to achieve at Netherhall School over the next 7 years.

I would like to conclude by thanking all of our new year 7 students, their parents, their primary school teachers and all the staff of Netherhall School for their support during this year's transition process, which has gone fantastically well. Well done to all year 7 students, and we will see you all tomorrow morning, bright and early and ready for another excellent day at Netherhall School.

Mr M D Bailey Deputy Headteacher



Day 1 of Netherhall Summer School for New Year 7 Students

It was a great pleasure to welcome so many of our new year 7 students to Netherhall School today for the first day of summer school. Another impressive intake of students will be joining us in September, with 150 students beginning their studies in the autumn term, and we are delighted that 120 of our new students have signed up to take part in our summer school sessions over the next fortnight.

We have welcomed the first 90 of our new starters today and the students have enjoyed a range of sessions this morning between 10am-12noon, including football with Mr Gebbie and Mr Stephenson, tennis with Mr Smith, art with Miss Robertson-Barnett and Mr Lambert, music with Mr McCrickerd and Mrs Walling, and reading for pleasure with Miss Allen. The students looked to be having great fun in all of the sessions, as you can see in the photos attached!

After the morning session, the students enjoyed their first Netherhall School lunch of this year's summer school, expertly prepared by today's superb canteen staff Mrs Needham and Mrs Carter, who promise many more excellent lunches over the next 2 weeks.

During the afternoon session between 12.30pm and 2.30pm, students enjoyed a further range of activities, including rounders and dodgeball with Mr Gebbie, Mr Smith and Mr Stephenson, art with Miss Robertson-Barnett and Mr Lambert, music with Mr McCrickerd and Mrs Walling, and creative writing with Miss Allen. The students again had great fun during the sessions.

Well done to all of the new year 7 students for showing a brilliant attitude throughout the day and many thanks to all of the staff who helped to make the day a great success. If there are any other new year 7 students who haven't yet signed up to the summer school sessions but would like to, please contact me at m.bailey@netherhall.cumbria.sch.uk and we will get you signed up for the sessions you are interested in.

Mr M D Bailey Deputy Headteacher









Netherhall Summer School 2023 - Week One

It has been an incredible first week of summer school with our new year 7 students here at Netherhall School. We are delighted that nearly 110 of the 150 students who are joining in year 7 this September have now taken up the fantastic opportunity to take part in our summer school sessions.

This week's sessions have taken place between 10am and 12 noon for the morning sessions, with the afternoon sessions taking place between 12.30pm and 2.30pm. The students have enjoyed a wide range of activities including football, netball, tennis, rounders, basketball, dodgeball, tag rugby, athletics, cricket, golf, biology experiments, chemistry experiments, physics experiments, art, reading for pleasure, creative writing, acting, music, cookie baking and pom-pom making! The sessions have been incredibly well received by the students and I would like to thank Miss Scott, Mr Gebbie, Mr Smith, Mr Stephenson, Mr Watt, Miss Allen, Mr McCrickerd, Miss Robertson-Barnett, Mrs Poddington, Mr Richardson, Miss Cooke, Miss Frankland, Mrs Bishop, Mrs Clarke, Mrs Walling, Miss Humes, Miss Thorburn, Mrs Gribben, Mrs Yates and former Head Boy Ben Lambert for providing such a brilliant introduction to life at Netherhall School for our new students over the last week.

I would also like to thank our outstanding canteen staff for the fantastic meals that have been served to both students and staff all week. Thanks to Mrs Needham, Miss Teasdale, Mrs Carter, Miss Boyle, Mrs Hewitson and Miss Pearson, who have looked after both our new students and staff brilliantly.

Finally, I would also like to pay tribute to the sponsors of our summer school who have enabled this amazing opportunity to take place for the students. In particular, I would like to thank Cath Clarke from the Holiday Activity Fund at Cumberland Council and Wendy Robertson on behalf of the Solway Fund at the Cumbria Community Foundation. The support they have provided has been incredible and I would like to thank them for their fantastic efforts on behalf of Netherhall School and the people of Maryport.

I would like to close by saying a massive "WELL DONE" to all the new year 7 students for showing such a first-class attitude throughout the first week of our summer school; they have made many new friends, learned many new skills and most importantly, they have had FUN! They are a brilliant group of students and are a huge credit to their families, the primary schools they have joined us from, who they are representing with distinction, and now as students of Netherhall School.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back next week for the second week of our summer school, where the sessions will again include all of those activities mentioned above. If there are any other new year 7 students who haven't yet signed up to the summer school sessions but would like to, please contact me at m.bailey@netherhall.cumbria.sch.uk and we will get you signed up for the sessions you are interested in.

Mr M D Bailey Deputy Headteacher



Netherhall Summer School 2023 – Week Two

It has been another incredible week of summer school with our new year 7 students here at Netherhall School. We are delighted that nearly 120 of the 150 students who are joining us in year 7 this September have taken up the fantastic opportunity to take part in our summer school sessions.

This week's sessions have taken place between 10am and 12 noon for the morning sessions, with the afternoon sessions taking place between 12.30pm and 2.30pm. The students have enjoyed a wide range of activities including football, netball, tennis, rounders, basketball, dodgeball, tag rugby, athletics, cricket, golf, chemistry experiments, creative writing, acting, music, cookie baking and pom-pom making! The sessions have been incredibly well received by the students and I would like to thank Miss Scott, Miss Lawson, Miss Smith, Mr Smith, Mr Stephenson, Mr Watt, Mr Forsyth, Mr McCrickerd, Miss Cooke, Mrs Bishop, Mrs Clarke, Mrs Fisher, Miss Coulthard, Miss Barber, Mrs O'Hea, Mrs Butler and Mrs Birkett for providing such a brilliant introduction to life at Netherhall School for our new students over the last week.

I would also like to thank our outstanding canteen staff for the fantastic meals that have been served to both students and staff all week. Thanks to Mrs Phillips and her team: Mrs Hewitt, Mrs Irving, Miss Boyle, Miss Pearson and Miss West, who have looked after both our new students and staff brilliantly.

At the close of our summer school, I would also like to pay tribute to our sponsors who have enabled this amazing opportunity to take place for the students. In particular, I would like to thank Cath Clarke from the Holiday Activity Fund at Cumberland Council and Wendy Robertson on behalf of the Solway Fund at the Cumbria Community Foundation. The support they have provided has been incredible and I would like to thank them for their fantastic efforts on behalf of Netherhall School and the people of Maryport.

Well done again to all the new year 7 students for showing such a brilliant attitude throughout our summer school; they have made many new friends, learned many new skills, and most importantly, they have had fun. They have once again highlighted what a brilliant group of students they are, and they are a huge credit to their families, the primary schools they have joined us from who they are representing with distinction, and now as students of Netherhall School.

I would like to close by letting you know that I will be writing to all year 7 students and their parents at the end of next week to provide a final update on our start of term arrangements ahead of the first day of term for year 7 students on Wednesday 6th September. Finally, I would like to wish our new year 7 students and their parents all the very best for the remainder of the summer holiday and to let you know that if you have any queries at all prior to the start of term, then please feel free to contact me at m.bailey@netherhall.cumbria.sch.uk at any time.

Mr M D Bailey Deputy Headteacher





Yabba dabba doo! Netherhall School students rock Bedrock

An online tool which aims to improve student vocabulary and grammar, Bedrock Learning was implemented at Netherhall in November 2022 and almost a whole year on, now plays a pivotal role in home learning for students in years 7, 8, 9 and 10.

Bedrock Learning was founded in 2015 by two English teachers who saw the impact vocabulary had on outcomes in their classroom. The vocabulary section on the programme is designed to narrow the word gap and give all learners the language they need to thrive in school and beyond. Growing relentlessly, Bedrock has continued to develop in schools across the country and now offers a comprehensive curriculum designed to transform learning through literacy and the programme is now trusted by over 800 schools worldwide.

Having taken an initial test, students are assigned to an appropriate block containing several unseen fiction and non-fiction texts. They are then encouraged to improve their understanding of complex vocabulary through a series of engaging online tasks. The grammar section affords students the opportunity to consolidate and improve their learning of specific word classes, as well as their awareness of sentence structure and syntax.

There is an expectation that students in years 7, 8, 9 and 10 spend a minimum of 40 minutes on Bedrock each week. To reward them for their progress, students can earn progress points based on improvements made to their percentage scores on vocabulary and grammar. Prior to the half-term holidays, students with the highest points tallies and those who have made the most progress were presented with certificates, with the top earners also scooping a £15 Amazon gift voucher.

Year 7 winners were: Olly Lowes, Zack Porter, Jayden Poland, Kalob Stevenson, Mia Whitehead, Vanesa Krulakova, Ethan Telford, Dylan Wilson, Emilia Adams, Joey Parker, Riley Nutter, Amelia Davidson, Emmie Martin, Ollie Porter, Billy Henderson and Macey Sharman. Summer McDowell currently has the most points with 118 and Jamie Davison has made a staggering improvement of 300% to his test scores.

Year 8 winners were: Noah Volkaerts, Matthew Slater, Tienner Burgess, Ruby Plant, Astan Lambert, Erin Minchella, Michael Moore, Jacob Dlhy, Bailey Tinkler, Ellie Maudling, Ava Hunter, Finlay Pattinson, Alexa Campbell, Betsy Reilly, Sophia Jarvis, Lacey Chilton, Noah McKenzie and Kayla Steele. Brandon Hullock currently has the most points with 493 and Sol Perry has made a huge improvement of 600% to his test scores.

Year 9 winners were: Taylor Dixon, Niamh Herald, Fallon Hazlewood, Louie Fearon, Logan Carnie, Nicole Steele, Kacey Dixon, Libby-Mae Thornborrow, Dayle Foster, Bethany Hill, Mia Oliphant, Maisie Brown, Stephanie McKie, Imogen Noble, Jaxson Varty, Alfie McIntosh, Paige Graham and Aiden Roddie. Emily Gorley currently has the most points with 319 and Richard Middleton has made an improvement of 350% to his test scores.

Year 10 winners were: Bethany Bew, Moesha Beneras-Rumney, Harley Easton, Natalie Henderson, Nathan Atkinson, Kobe Perry, Laura Miller, Jamie Coulthard, Leah Ackerley, Lucas Fox, Georgia Thomlinson, Lucas Beswick, Olivia Sewell, Ayden Bell, Liam Launders, Hannah Jackson and Kacie Nicholson. Keenan Pearson currently has the most points with 297 and Mark Hine has made an improvement of 244% to his test scores.

Congratulations to all students who have excelled on Bedrock Learning so far and keep up the good work going into the next half-term.

Pictured are students in years 9 and 10 receiving their certificates.





An afternoon at the theatre

It was on a dreary afternoon of October that we boarded the fun bus to the theatre.

A level English literature students enjoyed a monster of a matinee at the theatre on Wednesday 11th October, attending a performance of *Frankenstein* at Theatre by the Lake in Keswick.

All fourteen students were excited to see a new adaptation of Mary Shelley's classic gothic novel, which is a set text on their public examinations. The play was an electrifying reimagining of the world's favourite horror story that promised to set minds and spines tingling. Set in 1943, this modern-day variation is set against the backdrop of the Second World War. Whilst Europe tears itself apart, two women hide from their past at what feels like the very end of the world. And one of them has a terrifying story to tell. This new thriller explored the very fabric of what makes us human and the ultimate cost of chasing "perfection".

The students thoroughly enjoyed the performance and despite several jumpy moments, left the theatre in good spirits. Thank you to all attendees for their company and a special mention to Miss Parker for her chauffeuring skills.

Pictured are the students outside the theatre immediately after the performance.



Tyler Huddart Shortlisted for the React Foundation Bursary Award

Tyler Huddart's excellent enthusiasm and interest in STEM subjects has successfully led to him being shortlisted for a bursary award from the React Foundation. This will support him in his further study of such subjects in his higher education following his GCSEs. Mr Dewar and Mrs Irving were delighted to be in attendance to support Tyler in receiving this well deserved award from Pete Woolaghan, founder of the React Foundation, at their Promise Evening.

The React Foundation is a superb charity that works directly with young people to encourage their interest in STEM. With every penny raised in donations being given out in the form of grants or extracurricular opportunities. Netherhall School thanks their volunteers and contributors for the opportunities we are able to provide to our students thanks to their work with us.



Netherhall School Student Council Meetings October 2023 / Parent's Forum

The Netherhall School Student Council has recently held its first meetings of the 2023/24 academic year, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all students of the school for their invaluable contributions to the continued drive to make our school the very best it can be for the good of the whole school community.

We are fortunate to have such a fantastic student body, who share our ambition to make our school outstanding. Some notable suggestions from students this term have been to add a number of titles to the excellent provision of books offered to students in our school library, while a refurbishment to the boys' PE changing rooms was also requested, and this will take place over the half term break.

I would like to take this opportunity to also invite parents and carers to put forward any ideas they may have to further develop our school, to aid us in our continuing drive for excellence. Please access the link to the Parent's Forum on the Netherhall School website to put forward any ideas you may have.

Thanks once again to the student body of Netherhall School for their excellent contributions to the work of the student council this term - either in registration consultations, year group councils or in the whole school council meeting, as the students have helped to bring about many excellent developments to further improve our school.

Mr M D Bailey Deputy Headteacher



Netherhall School Whole School Council Representatives – October 2023: Back row – Odin Kirkbride, Harvey Clifford, Lilly Douglas, Rhys Kirkbride and Ben Mackins. Front row – Georgia Wilson, Alfie Holdsworth, Mean Barritt, James Perkins and Maddison Miller.

Grand Final Trip 2023

On Saturday, 14th October we set off with 165 students to Old Trafford, Manchester for the annual Grand Final trip; this is the most students we have ever taken on this trip, and it seems to grow in popularity each year.

It was a tightly contested game between Wigan and Catalans, with Catalans failing to score a try, Wigan ended up winners, 10-2.

Despite the low scoring game, all students thoroughly enjoyed their day, and they already can't wait for next year's trip. As always, the students behaved immaculately, and they were fantastic ambassadors for the school throughout the day. All staff in attendance commented on how enjoyable the day was and how proud they were of the students' conduct.

Thanks to all the staff and students for another fantastic trip!

Mrs L Holliday Head of Pastoral







Year 7 Top Achievers

Last week's top achieving form tutor group at Netherhall School is: Adair – 194 points

Last week's year 7 individual top achievers at Netherhall School are: Nathan Hindmarch, Evie Thursby, Dylan Wilson, Kaelan Hine, Sophia Blackburn and Maddison Miller

Well done to all pupils who were mentioned in Friday Forum:

Harry Edgar, Jack Holland, Harnoor Kaur, Sabrina Marland, Maddison Miller and Freya Reed.

All pupils have run the Netherhall X-country course. Well done to all pupils who tried their best. Top times go to Emmie Martin, Lana Stephenson, Izzie Murdock, Libby Taylor, Chloe McCallig, Dykan Elliot, Janson Sewell, Keagan Lightfoot, Cillian Ross and Billy Bethwait.

Congratulations to all the pupils who have 100% attendance last week. An outstanding achievement.

Congratulations to all of the pupils.

Mr N Fulton Head of Year 7





Year 7 Top Achievers

Last week's top achieving form tutor group at Netherhall School is: Fleming 195

Last week's year 7 individual top achievers at Netherhall School are: Alyssa Druga-Swain, Chance Watson, Riley Nutter, Tilly, O'Neill, Joey Parker, Charlie O'Donnell and Ellie Cunningham.

Well done to all pupils who were mentioned in Friday Forum:

Charlie Bromley, Blake Cartner, Nicole Charters, Jessica Dark, Isabelle Gartland, Ava-Ruby Graham, Jorja Gregg, Caleb Harrison, Jack Holland, Priya Holm, Lexi Jackson, Chloe McCallig, Marie Slater, Libby Taylor, Talia Todd, Chance Watson, Maria Wilson

Congratulations to the Star learners who have excelled in the last two weeks:



Congratulations to all of the pupils,

Mr N Fulton
Head of Year 7



Year 8 Top Achievers

The 100% attendance is a major aspect contributing to the successes of students with each and every student identified as achieving 100% attendance in the previous week. Congratulations and keep up the excellent attitude to attendance for all the students.

The top tutor group award for this week, again went to 8 Harrison, who as of last week are the top tutor group for achievement points.

The top achievers within their designated tutor groups are:

Adair - Katelyn Jackson & Harley Irving

Christian - Sophie Oglanby & Matthew Slater

Curzon - Kian Stuart & Madison Emblen

Fleming – Evie Sowerby & Haydn Ritson

Harrison –Jenson Craig & Aoife Smith

Ismay – Ruby Sewell, Morgan Towers & Brandon Hullock

Lister – Caitlin Johnston & Ross Scott

Senhouse - Calem Hodgson & Holly McCallig

Our star learners this week are a great achievement for the year group with brilliant reasons why each individual student has been nominated for the award. Our winners this week are:

Chloe Alton, Sophie Oglanby, Megan Barritt, Betsy Reilly, Alexa Campbell, Ava Scott, Ella Craggs, Mia Small, Olivia Deneszewska, Abigail Smith, Aisha Galletly, Alyssa-May Thomas, Alfie Holdsworth, Evie Tierney, Aiden Irving, Teja Vepstas, Finn Nicholson, Marley Wall & Zak Norman.

This week there are a remarkable 46 students nominated for the Friday Forum top achievers. Brilliant! Well done!

Jayden Faulder, Coira Kirkbride, Dylan Pinnock, Morgan Towers, Dixon Bell, Hayden Gorst, Ethan Kirkbride, Jake Rowlands, Matthew Underwood, Hallie Brown, Lola Graham, Hana Lambert, Ruby Sewell, Isla Vallely, Maisie Carruthers, Grace Haston, Abbey McCracken, Matthew Slater, Mia Wignall, Jenson Craig, Keira Holmes, Noah McKenzie, Mia Small, Mayson Wilkinson, Olivia Craig, Brandon Hullock, Erin Minchella, Aoife Smith, Willow Wright, Brooke Daley, Harley Irving, Beth Minshaw, Georgie Stevenson, Ellie Dixon, Katelyn Jackson, Zak Norman, Kian Stuart, Tyana Elliott, Caitlin Johnston, Sophie Oglanby, Chloe Taylor, Madison Emblen, Mia Kane, Willow Pape & Mason Todd.

Well done to this week's champion readers awards. A briliant attitude has been demonstrated by all 3 students to their reading. A huge well done to Aiden Cartwright, Levi White and Harley Wardle.

Finally, there is an individual award for Abigail Smith who, as seen in a recent school Facebook post, has passed her grading and has now moved onto training for the black belt in Taekwondo. This is a massive achievement not just for Abigail and her family, but for the entirety of the year 8 year group with a huge round of applause for Abigail on announcement. It just shows the support from each and every peer within the year group supporting Abigail's achievement. Well done Abigail. Hard work and perseverance certainly pays off.

Mr P Lister
Head of Year 8



Year 8 Top Achievers

Another brilliant week from our year 8's for achievement points, with well over 100 point for a wide range of excellent reasons.

Well done to our star learners this week with some brilliant reasons why each individual student had been nominated for their respective award; each remark by the class teacher is bespoke to each individual student. Our winners this week are:

Chloe Alton, Sophie Oglanby, Megan Barritt, Betsy Reilly, Alexa Campbell, Ava Scott, Ella Craggs, Mia Small, Olivia Deneszewska, Abigail Smith, Aisha Galletly, Alyssa-May Thomas, Alfie Holdsworth, Evie Tierney, Aiden Irving, Teja Vepstas, Finn Nicholson, Marley Wall & Zak Norman

The top tutor group award for this week went to 8 Harrison who have been achieving consistently well, so far, in Year 8.

The top achievers within their designated tutor groups are:

Adair - Katelyn Jackson, Betsy Reilly, Connor Tunstall & Dylan Pinnock

Christian – Alexa Campbell, Alfie Holdsworth & Kayla Steele

Curzon - Kian Stuart & Lily Armstrong

Fleming – Harrison Bew, Joey Newton-Lister & Haydn Ritson

Harrison – Aleya Ostle, Jenson Craig & Olivia Deneszewska

Ismay - Megan Barritt, Morgan Towers & Ava Scott

Lister - Aisha Galletly, Tyler Poole, Kieran Scamans & Ross Scott

Senhouse – Calem Hodgson, Maisie Carruthers & Brooke Daley

Well done to this week's Friday forum winners:

Aisha Galletly, Alfie Holdsworth, Alexander Littlefair, Finn Nicholson, Ava Scott, Kian Stuart and Morgan Towers.

Mr P Lister Head of Year 8



Year 9 Top Achievers

This week's top achieving form tutor group at Netherhall School is: Lister

This week's year 8 individual top achievers at Netherhall School are:

Adair - Kara Price, Owen Hadley, Jaxon Varty, Rebecca Wilson

Christian - Millie Scott, Taylor Dixon, Jake McGarry, Finley Scholfield

Fleming - Scarlette Wardle, Olly Cartwright, Kieran Pattinson

Ismay - Callum Hoyles, Georgia Wilson

Lister - Mitchell Ross, Niamh Herald

Senhouse - Robbie Bishop, Anaisa Haycock

This week's Friday Forum names for special commendation for their excellent effort this week at Netherhall School are:

Annabella Barker, Rosie Blackburn, Taylor Dixon, Miya Goodwin, Bethany Hill, Callum Hoyles, Stephanie McKie, Mason Mcnichol, Charlie O'Neill, Joel Wassell

This week's Star Learners for excellent effort and attainment in at least one of their lessons are Netherhall School are:

Jenson Bennett – History Kira Brown – English

Olly Cartwright - Information Tech Lexi-Jo Fearon – Spanish

Kai Foster – Spanish Emila Fryn - PE

Miya Goodwin – French Emily Gorley – Spanish

Callum Hoyles – Maths Kai Marnock - Spanish

Alfie McIntosh - English and Spanish Mason Mcnichol - Religious Studies

Lucie Parker - PE Kianna-Leigh Vollans – Art

Rebecca Wilson – Geography Keon Wood - Spanish

Well done to Scott, Oliver and Mia for coming top of the TT Rock Stars weekly competition.

A special mention to all of those students that achieved 100% last week and to Adair who had the highest rate of attendance in the year group last week.

Mr L Wassell Head of Year 9



Year 10 Top Achievers

This week's top achieving form tutor group at Netherhall School is: Lister

This week's year 10 individual top achievers at Netherhall School are:

Fletcher Knowles, Faith Gunning, Lewis Walling, Leo Dalton, Meya Moore, Moesha Beneras-Rumney, Ayden Bell, Kyle Hindmoor, Macauley Stenson

Friday Forum nominations are:

Jamie Coulthard, Lewis Walling, Jessica Courty, Lacey Scholey, Jamie Kirkbride, Joshua Plant, Hayden Holliday, Leo Dalton, Callum Toal, Ethan Graham, Harry Blamire, Liam Bennion, Byron Johnstone, Dylan Thomas, George Porthouse, Kai Poole, Aaliyah Young, Summer Coleman, Ayden Bell, Aiden Langcake, Dennis Frost, Ben Taylor, Leah Ackerley, Connie Martin, Kaitlyn Wilkinson, Crystal Coulthard, Moesha Beneras-Rumney, Kaci-Lee Burgess, Summer Knowles, Maddie Routledge, Olivia Ireland, Meya Moore, Sophie Wong, Eva Shaw-Porthouse, Evie Young.

Our Star Learners are:

Gracie-Mea Burns, Maddie Routledge, Lewis Walling, Leo Dalton, Meya Moore, Sarah Jarvis, Hannah Jackson, Sophie Wong, Leon Frost, Macauley Stenson

Mr L Holliday
Head of Year 10





Year 11 Top Achievers

Year 11 weekly achievers are Alfie Volkaerts, Regan Tinnion, McKenzie Hesketh, Rhys Kirkbride and Rhys Brown.

Our weekly tutor group winners are 11 Fleming

Well done to our 100% weekly attenders. By attending school every day, our young talented students are giving themselves the best chance possible of achieving their best possible grades – keep up the good work everyone!

Our weekly tutor group attendance winners are 11 Fleming.

I would like to congratulate our Friday Forum Champions for their continued hard work in lessons!

Mrs B Irving
Head of Year 11

FRIDAY FORUM CHAMPIONS

Laila BrownRhys BrownSophie CorlettAlison DakersErin ForsythDaisy-May GreenIsla HaddenKadie HarrisonRebecca HoltTyler HuddartRhys KirkbrideBranden KrayHarriet MossopBrandon Munro-BerryFreya Ostle

Elyse Rickerby McKenzie Sanderson Luke Timney

Amber Walker James Williamson

Year 11 Top Achievers

Year 11 weekly achievers are Daisy-May Green, Taylor Stables, Branden Kray, Corbun Easton, Rhys Kirkbride and Rhys Brown.

Our weekly tutor group winners are 11 Adair.

Well done to our 100% weekly attenders. By attending school every day, our young talented students are giving themselves the best chance possible of achieving their best possible grades – keep up the good work everyone!

Our weekly tutor group attendance winners are 11 Fleming.

I would like to congratulate our Friday Forum Champions for their continued hard work in lessons!

Year 11 students have received the above revision planner, which has lots of useful information inside in regard to revising for GCSE exams. If you could please take some time to go through the booklet with your child, it would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your continued support!

Mrs B Irving
Head of Year 11

FRIDAY FORUM CHAMPIONS

Kieran Abram
Ethan Burnham
Katherine Corlett
Katie Farley
Mia Graham
Rhys Kirkbride
Niamh McKean

Freya Ostle Luke Timney Ellie Armstrong
Damian Cartledge
Joseph Douglas
Erin Forsyth
Daisy-May Green
Katie Mackay
Ella Minchella
Emilio Perestrelo
Alfie Volkaerts

Laila Brown
Ruby Clark
Corbun Easton
Bobby French
Kadie Harrison
Tyler Marnock
Kian Mottley
Taylor Teasdale
Amber Walker

Girls' Football at Netherhall School

On Wednesday 4th October, Netherhall School hosted a seven team, under 16 girls' football tournament with Beacon Hill, Workington Academy, Whitehaven Academy, Nelson Thomlinson, Keswick School and West Lakes Academy. The girls worked hard in their games and show some great skill and teamwork, Netherhall School's player of the tournament was Sophie Corlett with a fantastic goal. The girls didn't win their group, but showed excellent passion and spirit. Thank you to all the schools who attended, the organisers and officials.

Miss Scott Teacher of PE



Summer Knowles, Maddie Routledge, Danielle Wilson, Macie Fisher, Tiegan Campbell, Sophie Corlett, Ruby Clark and Kate Corlett (C).

On Wednesday 4th October, Netherhall School hosted Kirkbie Kendal School in an under 13 girls' ESFA football fixture. This was a real tough test for the Netherhall girls, as it was the first time some of them had played an 11-a-side game; the girls worked well as a team but found the Kirkbie Kendal girls to be too strong when playing into the heavy rain and wind in the first half. Unfortunately, it wasn't the girl's day, but as always, they represented themselves and the school to the highest standard. The girls have several other fixtures coming up to look forward to. Netherhall Schools player of the game was captain Jodie Kemp. Thank you to Mr Gebbie for refereeing and Kirkbie Kendal for travelling - we wish them well in the next

round!

Miss Scott.
Teacher of PE.



Niamh Herald, Evie Moore, Ava Fisher, Nyah Brown, Grace Hillier, Jodie Kemp (C), Lily Bode, Eden Stables, Isla Best, Aoife Smith, Mischa Hodgson, Georgia Wilson, Coira Kirkbride, Caitlin Johnston, Willow Richardson and Ava Scott.

Under 13s Girls Country Cup

On Wednesday 11th October, Netherhall School hosted Beacon Hill in the Under 13 Girls County Cup Competition. The girls started off very strongly with Aoife Smith scoring a hattrick in the first 15 minutes. Some of the girls have never played a game together with the addition of several year 7 students joining the team, they gelled quickly, working tirelessly and were willing to play out of position to make sure it was a strong team performance. Thank you to Mr Stevenson for refereeing the game and Beacon Hill for travelling to us for the fixture. I am very proud, well done girls.

Aoife Smith Player of the Match.

Goal Scorers: Aoife Smith - 4, Isla Best - 2, Lacey Moore -1 & Olivia Kirkbride - 2

Final Score - Netherhall 9-1

Miss S Scott Teacher of PE



Mischa Shepherd, Willow Wright, Coira Kirkbride, Lacey Moore, Isla Best (C), Aoife Smith, Lexi Dent, Remi Sadler, Chloe McCallig, Georgie Wilkinson, Libby Taylor, Lana Stephenson, Olivia Kirkbride & Lexi Bowness



U15 Cumbria County Cup Round 1 Beacon Hill School v Netherhall School

On Wednesday 27th September the U15 girls football team played their first competitive fixture of the season against Beacon Hill School of Aspatria in the first round of the Cumbria County Cup.

It was a fiercely competitive game with excellent play from both teams. An early goal in the first half from Sarah Jarvis saw Netherhall take the lead 1-0. In the second half, the girls got off to a great start, dominating play and creating plenty of chances. However, Beacon Hill broke away to level the game 1-1, which is how the game ended at full time.

At the final whistle, the Netherhall girls immediately focussed their minds on the impending penalties, with Lily in goal stepping up to make some fantastic saves. After the 5 penalties were taken, Netherhall came out on top, winning 3-2.

Congratulation to the team, it was a pleasure to watch you play and I look forward to seeing your continued success in the later rounds of the cup. A big thank you to Beacon Hill and their PE staff for such a fantastic game and to Mr Watt for refereeing in the wet and windy conditions.

Miss Smith Teacher of PE





U13 Cumbria County Cup Round 1 Nelson Thomlinson School v Netherhall School

Netherhall School's year 8 boys football team played their first competitive fixture of the new season on Monday 25th September, away to The Nelson Thomlinson School of Wigton, and ran out convincing 6-0 winners on the day.

A dominant performance saw the Netherhall boys take an early lead on 8 minutes, when Alfie Holdsworth played a superb through ball to captain Kian Stuart who made no mistake and slotted the ball into the bottom right corner of the Nelson Thomlinson goal to make the score 1-0. The score was doubled on 22 minutes, when Alfie Holdsworth played another delightful pass to put centre forward Aiden Irving in on goal, with the striker making no mistake to double the lead at 2-0. Holdsworth was playing a superb first half and was in on the goal scoring action himself on 25 minutes, when an impressive 30-yard run was finished by rounding the 'keeper, before slotting the ball home to make the score 3-0. On the stroke of half time it was 4-0 to Netherhall, this time Cameron Pettitt provided the assist for captain Kian Stuart to round the 'keeper and slot the ball home for his second of the afternoon and Netherhall's fourth.

The second half continued in the same manner as the first, with a highly impressive Netherhall outfit adding a further 2 goals before full time. Tyler Leonard, on debut for Netherhall School, was played in by Morgan Towers and scored with his first touch in the first minute of the second half, before the final goal of the afternoon was added 15 minutes into the second half, when the impressive Jacob Dlhy played an incisive pass to Kian Stuart, who then played a superb ball over the top for Alfie Holdsworth to run onto and add his second goal of the match, leaving the score at 6-0 to Netherhall School.

Overall, the Netherhall boys played some outstanding football on the afternoon and were worthy 6-0 winners. The result gives the boys great hope of making further progress in this season's Cumbria County Cup, where we have been drawn to play at home to Keswick School in the second round of this year's tournament in mid-October.

I would like to thank the boys of The Nelson Thomlinson School of Wigton for their excellent sporting attitude on the day and I would also like to thank Mr Steven Rudd, Head of PE at The Nelson Thomlinson School for hosting us for the fixture and for refereeing the match. Finally, I would like to thank the year 8 boys of Netherhall School who all played their part in a superb performance, and for representing their school with distinction. There were many notable performances throughout the team on the afternoon, but it was only fair to nominate Alfie Holdsworth as the Man of the Match for a highly impressive performance in scoring 2 goals and laying on 2 assists. Well done to all of the year 8 boys who represented Netherhall School in the fixture and we look forward to many more exhilarating performances as the season progresses.

Mr M D Bailey Deputy Headteacher



Back row: Deon Goulding, Finn Nicholson, Jacob Dlhy, Jayden Faulder, Morgan Towers, Alfie Holdsworth and Ethan Kirkbride. Front row: Tyler Leonard, Aiden Irving, Kian Stuart (captain), Zak Norman, Cameron Pettitt and Georgie Stevenson.

Year 8 Boys into County Cup Quarter Finals Allerdale Football Tournament

It has been a busy week for Netherhall School's year 8 footballers and I am delighted to inform you that our Under 13 team have qualified for the Cumbria County Cup Quarter Finals, with an outstanding 12-1 victory at home to Keswick School on Wednesday 17th October.

Following a highly impressive 6-0 away victory at The Nelson Thomlinson School of Wigton in the first round of this season's tournament on Monday 25th September, the year 8 boys were back in action this week and produced an absolutely scintillating team performance in the second round against Keswick School.

A dominant first half performance by the Netherhall School boys saw the home team secure a 4-1 half time lead, with goals from Kian Stuart, Alfie Holdsworth and a double from Finn Nicholson, before Keswick replied with a counter-attack goal just before half time, leaving the home side in a commanding position going into the second period.

The second half performance was even more impressive, with the year 8 boys continuing to play some outstanding passing football with impressive performances coming from all of the boys in the team. The 8 second half goals came from Kian Stuart (2, and a hat-trick for the match), Ethan Kirkbride, Finn Nicholson (2, and 4 goals for the match), Alfie Holdsworth (1, and 2 goals for the match), Morgan Towers and an own goal from Keswick School.



Back row: Deon Goulding, Dylan Williams, Jacob Dhly, Jayden Faulder, Morgan Towers, Alfie Holdsworth and Ethan Kirkbride.

Front row: Tyler Leonard, Zak Norman, Kian Stuart ©, Finn Nicholson, Aiden Irving and Cameron Pettit

This is an exciting time for the U13 football team who now await their English Schools' FA Trophy 3rd round tie at home to Kirkbie Kendal School after the half term break (date to be confirmed), before their Cumbria County Cup Quarter Final tie in late November, with the opposition and date again to be confirmed.

A huge well done also goes out to the year 8 football squad who also represented the school at the Under 13 Allerdale District Tournament held at Cockermouth School earlier this week, on Monday 16th October. While the results did not go our way on the evening, with the boys coming out on the wrong end of results against The Nelson Thomlinson School, Whitehaven Academy, West Lakes Academy and Cockermouth School, all of the boys played with tremendous heart and should be proud of their performances. A special mention goes to Hayden Gorst who scored our only goal on the evening, an absolute screamer against the West Lakes Academy!

In summary, I would like to say a massive well done to all of the year 8 boys who have represented their school with distinction this week. Have a great half term break and we now look forward to seeing the boys perform in the third round of the English Schools' FA Trophy and the Cumbria Cup Quarter Finals after the holidays!

Mr M D Bailey Deputy Headteacher



Back row: Hayden Ritson, Astan Lambert, Matthew Underwood Danny Sowerby, Aiden Irving, Calem Hodgson and Hayden Gorst.

Front row: Braith Murdock, Frankie Akehurst, Finlay Pattinson © Jenson Craig, Harrison Bew and Conor Tunstall.



Year 9 Allerdale Football Tournament

On the 10th October, the year 9 boys' football squad travelled to Hall Park in Workington to take part in the annual Allerdale football tournament. Netherhall School were drawn in a tough-looking group alongside hosts Workington Academy, West Lakes Academy and the Whitehaven Academy. Despite being handed such a tough group, Netherhall managed to top the table after the group stages, drawing one game and winning the other two.

The first game was against West Lakes Academy, which finished in an exciting 2-2 draw. Mason McNichol opened the scoring for Netherhall after latching on to an excellent through ball from Leighton McGarry. He made a difficult finish look easy as he rounded the goalkeeper and slotted into an empty net to make it 1-0. West Lakes then equalised with a powerful strike from the edge of the area that goalkeeper Alfie Taylor had no chance of preventing. Netherhall then retook the lead as Mason McNichol turned from goalscorer to provider as he unselfishly squared a pass across the 6-yard box for Mason Stoddart to finish off a fine team move, this put Netherhall 2-1 up. West Lakes were able to peg Netherhall back again close to full time to earn a 2-2 draw.

The second game saw Netherhall up against hosts Workington Academy. Netherhall made a flying start to the game with Mason Stoddart popping up with two clinical finishes. The first being a shot from the edge of the box that flew past the Workington goalkeeper. His second was more routine as he slid the ball past the onrushing Workington goalkeeper with a composed side foot finish. Workington Academy were able to score a consolation goal to set up a nervous finish, but the Netherhall boys managed to hang on to earn an important 2-1 victory.

The final group game saw us face off against Whitehaven Academy, knowing victory would see us top the group. It was a cagey but well fought game between two evenly matched sides. It was decided by a Josh Brown corner that was whipped in and found the head of Kenzie Riley who was able to head home close to the goal line to earn Netherhall a 1-0 victory.

In the semi-finals, Netherhall had been drawn against a strong Keswick side. As the game played out, it was a closely contested battle with Netherhall narrowly edging the possession and chances, but unfortunately, we couldn't find the killer blow, with the final score 0-0. This meant the game needed to be decided on penalties, with Keswick keeping their composure and coming out 4-2 winners on penalties. All credit must go to Keswick who went on to face Workington in the final, with the latter coming out on top as winners.

A huge well done must go to the squad for competing so well, where the final result could have been so different on another day. Thank you to Workington Academy for hosting, and a huge well done to the squad: Alfie Taylor, Harrison Shaw, Olly Cartwright, Kieran Pattinson, Leighton McGarry, Josh Brown, Callum Hoyles ©, Kenzie Riley, Mason McNichol, Mason Stoddart, Kai Marnock, Loghan Williams, Liam Chilton and Harrison Fidler.

Mr Gebbie Teacher of PE



Year 9 Boys' ESFA Cup

Netherhall School 7-2 Richard Rose Central

On the 16th October the Year 9 Netherhall boys' football team faced Richard Rose Central in the English Schools' Cup. The year 9 boys' have been unlucky in recent years with some tough draws and poor performances. But they were able to turn their fortunes around with a convincing 7-2 victory of a competitive Richard Rose Central side.

The deadlock was broken in the first half when Josh Brown let fly from 20 yards out, his shot was too high for the outstretched goalkeeper and it nestled into the back of the net. The second goal came after a Kenzie Riley ball in cause havoc in the defence, with Mason Stoddart pouncing on the loose ball inside the 6-yard box to add to his tally from the previous week. Shortly after, the half time whistle blew, although on top, Netherhall were not playing to their usual standards.

After a couple of changes at half time, it was one of the substitutes who extended Netherhall's lead to 3-0. Kalan Burgess was on hand to tuck away a wicked ball across the face of goal from Mason McNichol. A few moments later, Kalan was able to return the favour as Mason McNichol snuck in at the back post from left wing to make the score 4-0. Richard Rose Central rallied after this and earned themselves a penalty when Olly Cartwright upended a Central forward inside his own area, giving a way a penalty. The penalty was tucked away despite the best efforts of Alfie Taylor in goal. Netherhall reacted well to the conceded penalty and went back up the other end and made it 5-1 as a through ball from midfield found its way into his path and he made no mistake. Full of confidence, Netherhall pressed forward and were able to grab a 6th goal via another Mason McNichol back post finish. As the game drew to a close, the unfortunate Matty Anderson sliced a clearance into his own goal to take the game to 6-2, and Kalan secured his hat trick with one of the last kicks of the game, slotting in at the far post after Mason McNichol squared the ball to him.

A huge well done must go to the year 9 boys who have sealed their first ESFA win since joining Netherhall School, and huge congratulations to Kalan Burgess who bagged himself a hat trick. Many thanks also to Richard Rose Central; who provided good opposition for the night. A big thank you to Mr Stevenson for refereeing the game as well.

The squad was as follows: Alfie Taylor, Kieran Pattinson, Matty Anderson, Olly Cartwright, Aaron McKean, Mason McNichol, Leighton McGarry, Josh Brown, Callum Hoyles ©, Kenzie Riley, Mason Stoddart, Kai Marnock and Kalan Burgess.

Mr Gebbie Teacher of PE





Victory for Netherhall U18s in English Schools' FA Cup

Netherhall School's U18 boys' football team secured a convincing 2-0 victory against St Benedict's Catholic High School to progress to the next round of the English Schools' FA Cup.

This well-fought contest started tentatively on the windswept grass at Netherhall. The opening exchanges were even with both teams struggling to retain possession in the tricky conditions. The Netherhall boys soon settled into some fine patterns of play, and chances eventually came on 10 minutes courtesy of a mazy run from Mitchell Larg and a long-range effort from Lewis Moore which whistled just over.

More Netherhall pressure followed, with Danny Stewart surging out of defence as the home team began to control possession.

St Benedict's looked dangerous on the break, however, and goalkeeper Finley Routledge was called upon to command his penalty area with a series of impressive catches from aerial balls. Defensive trio Danny Stewart, Leighton Almond and Liam Penman looked solid when faced with the Whitehaven team's pacey attack.

The deadlock was broken after 22 minutes when man of the match Penman unleashed a screaming long-range effort which beat the St Benedict's keeper from 35 yards. A fantastic strike which topped off an outstanding performance from the centre half.

St Benedict's responded with some excellent possession and pressure, but were limited to a few speculative efforts. Netherhall, meanwhile, went close when some skilful work from full-back Keehan Graham led to a dangerous cross.

A frantic period of play before the half-time break forced goalkeepers into action at both ends of the pitch. Larg's clean strike was saved well by the St Benedict's keeper, before Netherhall's Routledge produced an athletic save at his near post to preserve the lead. A brave, battling defensive display from Harvey Shimmings led to the full-back taking a knock and being replaced by Jay Thomson shortly before the break.

With the second half underway, St Benedict's pressed well and threatened from long range. At the other end, some intricate interplay between Cinar Cakmak and Joseph Douglas led to a fizzing shot from the midfielder, the ball falling just wide.

With 42 minutes on the clock, St Benedict's produced their best effort of the afternoon. A superb strike from their midfield pinged off the underside of the crossbar and was cleared by a relieved Netherhall defence.

Netherhall responded with more great play between Larg, Douglas and Cakmak as the home side began to dominate. Striker Leo Lambert was a constant nuisance to the St Benedict's defence, and super-sub Thomson made some excellent runs from deep.

Netherhall made the victory secure on 51 minutes, when more intricate midfield work from Douglas and Larg created an opening for captain Lewis Moore, whose low drive beat the St Benedict's goalkeeper from the edge of the box. A superb strike from the Head Boy.

Kia Carter and Keelan Steel produced impressive displays from the bench, with Carter showing some neat touches and Steel rock solid at the back. An excellent team effort.

Thank you to the players and staff of St Benedict's, and to Mr Gebbie for refereeing.

Mr C Pattinson
Head of Sixth Form



Back row: Harvey Shimmings, Danny Stewart, Leighton Almond, Finlay Routledge, Mitchell Larg, Jay
Thomson, Keelan Steel

Front Row: Keehan Graham, Leo Lambert, Kia Carter, Lewis Moore, Joseph Douglas, Liam Penman, Cinar Cakmak



6th Form County Cup fixture

Nelson Thomlinson School 1 - 4 Netherhall

On 27th September 2023, the 6th Form football team travelled to Nelson Thomlinson School for their first County Cup fixture of the season. On a cold and wet afternoon, it was the Netherhall boys who came out on top with a deserved 4-1 victory after a dominant display.

The opening goal came midway through the first half after Mitchell Larg split the defence with a pass for Leo Lambert to run onto. Leo chopped inside and was too quick for the defender who brought him down in the box. Lewis Moore stepped up to slot away the resulting penalty into the bottom left corner to make it 1-0. Netherhall doubled their lead soon after as Mitchell Larg popped up with a goal from close range after good work from Joe Douglas and Leo Lambert on the right-hand side. The ball in caused problems for the NTS defence and Mitchell was on hand to pounce on the loose ball from close range to make it 2-0. The third goal came just before half time with an attack starting down the left-hand side of the pitch where Harvey Shimmings played a defence-splitting pass that Mitchell Larg latched onto. This led to another scramble in the box where Leo Lambert was able to get himself on the scoresheet from inside the six-yard box to make it 3-0. The final goal came at the start of the second half; where a mix up from the NTS defence led to Leo Lambert having an open goal and he was able to slot home from the penalty spot to bag his second of the game to make the score 4-0. NTS hit back just before the end to deny Netherhall a clean sheet, with a thunderous strike from just inside the box that Finlay Routledge had no chance of keeping out, with the score finishing 4-1.

A big thanks goes to Mr Clark of NTS for hosting the fixture and well done to the NTS boys for a competitive and entertaining fixture. Finally, a huge congratulations to the Netherhall 6th boys who go on to play Cockermouth in the next round. The full squad was as follows:

Finlay Routledge, Keehan Graham, Danny Stewart, Liam Penman, Leighton Almond, Harvey Shimmings, Joe Douglas, Lewis Moore ©, Mitchell Larg, Leo Lambert, Cinar Cakmak, Kia Carter, Kieran Abram, Jay Thomson and Keelan Steel. (A big thanks as well to Stanley Routledge, who also attended the fixture to record the match for evidence to support PE practical assessment grading).

Mr D Gebbie PE Department





County Cup Progress for Netherhall Under-18s

Netherhall School's under-18 boys football team maintained their 100% record for the season with a convincing 4-1 home win against Cockermouth School. The result means that they progress to the quarter finals of the Cumbria County Cup.

The home team started quickly and went ahead after just three minutes. Striker Leo Lambert – who put in a bustling performance throughout – latched on to a long clearance from Finlay Routledge and held off the challenge of two defenders before slotting the ball coolly past the goalkeeper.

Cockermouth responded with pressure on the Netherhall defence. The visitors created some good chances early on and went close from a corner kick. However, alert defending from trio Liam Penman, Leighton Almond and Danny Stewart kept a lively Cockermouth front line at bay.

The Netherhall boys then settled into some good periods of possession. Fantastic work in midfield by Mitchell Larg sparked a sweeping move from right to left, resulting in a shot from Joseph Douglas which flashed narrowly wide.

Minutes later, Douglas found the net. Some great hold-up play from target man Cinar Cakmak set Douglas up beautifully on the edge of the box. The midfielder's powerful shot beat the keeper to make the score 2-0.

The visitors again responded with good possession and created some dangerous opportunities. Cockermouth's number 11, who was a threat throughout, produced a skilful run into the Netherhall box, drawing a mis-timed challenge which resulted in a penalty. The spot-kick was saved by a heroic Routledge, who guessed correctly and dived athletically to his left-hand side, clutching the ball safely to his chest. The superb keeper again kept Cockermouth out moments later, rushing quickly off his line to bravely intercept a through ball.

The first half ended with some even play, including some tireless work from Netherhall full-backs Harvey Shimmings and Keehan Graham, who both played a key role with their defensive work and some marauding forward runs.

It was Cockermouth's turn to strike immediately after the break. Some determined wide play from their forward resulted in a superb run and an unstoppable strike into the roof of the net. A fine goal.

Buoyed by their goal, Cockermouth created further chances. Thanks to their pace and fitness, however, the Netherhall boys threatened on the break. Joseph Douglas doubled his tally on 37 minutes, with Mitchell Larg running box-to-box with the ball at feet and providing his teammate with a pinpoint pass. The superb counter-attack was finished calmly by man-of-the-match Douglas.

The home team added to their lead moments later in a move that started with a composed defensive interception by sub Jay Thomson. The tireless Larg again carried the ball superbly forward, this time setting up captain Lewis Moore who danced through the Cockermouth box before beating the keeper with style. An excellent team goal to round off a good performance.

With Netherhall in control of the game, further chances followed. A wicked shot from Keehan Graham cannoned off the crossbar and fell to the feet of Lambert who put the ball narrowly over. Substitutes Keelan Steel and Max Nealy looked lively. Steel's defensive work was characteristically bullish, while Nealy produced a skilful run before being closed down in the Cockermouth penalty area. Debutant Leo Beales helped to keep some late attacks from the visitors at bay, while super-sub Kia Carter showed some good touches in the opposition penalty area.

Thank you to Mr Charters and the players of Cockermouth School for playing their part in an engaging and good-spirited contest, and to Mr Gebbie for refereeing.

Mr C Pattinson
Head of Sixth Form



Back row: Harvey Shimmings, Leo Lambert, Jay Thomson, Danny Stewart, Finley Routledge, Cinar Cakmak, Leo Beales, Leighton Almond and Keelan Steel

Front row: Keehan Graham, Mitchell Larg, Max Nealy, Lewis Moore, Kia Carter, Joseph Douglas , Liam Penman

KEY INFORMATION

TERM DATES 2023/24				
STARTS	ENDS	HALF – TERM DATES		
Monday 30th Oct	Tuesday 19th Dec			
Wednesday 3rd Jan	Thursday 28 March	Monday 12 February—Friday 16 February		
Tuesday 16 April	Friday 19 July	Monday 27 May—Friday 31 May		
Food Friday—29th March/Easter Monday 1st April				
Early May Bank Holida	y—Monday 6th May			



The PIPA Trial is exploring the effectiveness of an online resource for parents/carers to help reduce depression and anxiety in young people. The trial is being coordinated by the University of Warwick and involves families of young people aged 11-15 years.

The trial is free and conducted completely online; eligible parents/carers and young people will be asked to complete some questionnaires and will receive access to some online parenting resources.

Please look out for the letter about how to sign up which contains more information. If you have any questions, please speak to Mrs L Holliday or contact the PIPA trial team at PIPA@warwick.ac.uk or 02476574316/02476575078.

Year 7: 100% ATTENDERS HT1

Hunter Barrett Lyra Berkeley Zak Bird Sophia Blackburn Gemma Bowe Noah Bowness Charlie Bromley Jav Corlett Ellie Cunningham Jamie Davison Alexis Dent Destiny Dodson Alyssia Drugan Ryan Edgar Dykan Elliott Alexia Feckova

Kristian Fleming
Bayley Fletcher
Harry Freeland
Isabelle Gartland
Ruby Graham
Erin Hall
Leise Hanby
Tristan Hawkins
Billy Henderson
Nathan Hindmarch
Frazer Hindmoor
Kaelan Hine
Jack Holland
Priya Holm
James Horsley

Sophia <u>Ingriselli</u>

Billy Ivison Claire Jackson Lexi Jackson Oliver Johnston Harnoor Kaur Aydin Kaya Katie Kirkbride Keagan Lightfoot Olivia-Jo Kirkbride Alina Lister Zachary Lowell Olly Lowes Millie Maudlina Chloe McCallig Elise McCormick Charlie McMullen Isabel Merrett

Curtis Munro Charlie Murphy Charlee Murray Macie Musgrave Georgina Nicholson Charlie O'Donnell Demi Paterson Ella Patterson Athena Perestrelo Porchia Porter Lucy Porthouse Lee Purdy Ellen Rainslev Freya Reed Joe Robertson Jamie Rogers

Archie Scholey
Amelia Smiles
Joshua Smith
Kaiden Smith
Lana Stephenson
Libby Taylor
Libby Taylor
Evie Thursby
Kai Turner
Chance Watson
Ellis Weir
Mia Whitehead
Georgie Wilkinson
Faye Williams
Dylan Wilson

100% OUTSTANDING ATTENDANCE

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90.01 - 92.59% INADEQUATE ATTENDANCE

> 90% or less CHRONIC ATTENDANCE

Year 7:95%+ ATTENDERS HT1

Elliot Glover Jessica Dark Callum Kirkbride Luke Mottley Leyla Smith Emilia Adams Brooke Dean Jo Kirkbride Izzle Murdock Kalob Stevenson Ava Bethwaite Harry Edgar Vanesa Krulakova Aidan Oultram Ethan Telford Billy Bethwaite Neve Gibson Mkundi Mapiringanwa Joey Parker Talia Todd Ollie Porter Dayton Graham Scott Towers Darcy Bishop Sabrina Marland Freddle Graham Emmie Martin Holly Price Evie Tunstall Andrew Brough Blake Cartner Caltlyn Hadley Summer McDowell Jenson Sewell Lacey Wilkinson Nicole Charters Caleb Harrison Maddison Miller Macey Sharman Miley Wilson Gracle Close Grayce Ireland

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Year 8: 100% ATTENDERS HT1

Lily Armstrong	Milo Egan	Penelope Ivison	Sophie Oglanby	Kayla Steele
Mia Averkiou	Tyana Elliott	Hana Lambert	Aleya Ostle	Klan Stuart
Megan Barritt	Madison Emblen	Tyler Leonard	Willow Pape	Chloe Taylor
Casey Bell	Maisie Fell	Francesca Lowrey	Brianne Parry	Bethanle Thompson
Dixon Bell	India Frizzle	Isabelle Mackinnon	Finlay Pattinson	Mason Todd
Kacey Bell	Alsha Galletly	Elle Maudling	Cameron Pettitt	Connor Tunstall
Isla Best	Millie Gillmore	Holly McCallig	Tyler Poole	Matthew Underwood
Grace Bowman	Hayden Gorst	Noah McKenzie	Marie Porter	Isla Vallely
Tienner Burgess	Lola Graham	Balley McMullen	Betsy Rellly	Noah Volkaerts
Charlie Cameron	Rosle Greenhow	Alden Miller	Haydn <u>Ritson</u>	Leon Welr
Malsie Carruthers	Andrew Hanley	Erin Minchella	Ross Scott	Levi White
Tarleah Chapple	Adlee Henderson	Mae Moore	Abigall Smith	Mia Wignall
Ella Craggs	Jo Henderson	McKenzie Mullen	Aolfe Smith	Maisie Wilson
Jenson Cralg	Alfie Holdsworth	Finn Nicholson	Lexi Smith	Neya Wood
Olivia Craig	Alden Irving	Zak Norman	Zane Smlth	Willow Wright
Aiden Dahmani	Harley Irving			

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Oscar Abernethy	Lloyd Davison	Ethan Kirkbride	Remi Sadler
Frankle Akehurst	Olivia <u>Deneszewska</u>	Braith Murdock	Matthew Slater
Lacey Barnes	Jayden Faulder	Joey Newton	Mia Small
Sophie Booth	Calem Hodgson	Alisha Nicholson	Scarlett Smith
Yasmin Brown	Brandon Hullock	Amelia Porthouse	Danny Sowerby
Tyler Burns	Katelyn Jackson	Sadle Reed	Georgie Stevenson
Alexa Campbell	Sophia Jervis	Jake Rowlands	Maisie Taylor

Aiden Cartwright

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Year 9: 100% ATTENDERS HT 1

Annabella Barker	Louie Fearon	Callum Hoyles	Mason Mcnichol	Lucas Ross
Alfred Berkeley	Ava Fisher	Zakary Hutchinson	Jayden Miller	Harrison Shaw
Rosie Blackburn	Dayle Foster	Isaac Ingriselli	Evie Moore	Leon Smiles
Kira Brown	Kai Foster	Conor Ivison	Amy Oliphant	Mae Thornborrow
Nyah Brown	Aldan GIII	Jodle Kemp	Mia Oliphant	Sophie Twentyman
Kalan Burgess	Lilia Glasson	Patryk Krzywiecki	Charlie O'Neill	Mia Watson
Brooke Cartwright	Emily Gorley	Jean Mattinson	Kleran Pattinson	Loghan Williams
Olly Cartwright	Paige Graham	Leighton McGarry	Kara Price	Katle Wilson
Nikita Clark	Anthony Hine	Aaron McKean	Kane Richardson	Rebecca Wilson
Regan Crummey	Farrel Holm	Stephanie McKie	Elliot Ritson	Keon Wood

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Year 9:95%+ ATTENDERS HT1

Anals <u>Denwood</u>	Liam Chilton	Savanna Kirkbride	Sam Penman
Aaliyah Adair	Sara Dixon	Leon Lister	Logan Southwell
Isla Armstrong	Macie Dollochin	Kai <u>Marnock</u>	Mason Stoddart
Chloe Barnes	Noah Frost	Jake McGarry	Alfie Taylor
Jenson Bennett	Samuel Gradon	Leah McGlasson	Scott Tunstall
Lily Bode	Rhys Inman	Alfie McIntosh	Joel Wassell
Lewis Branthwaite	Odin Kirkbride	Bailey Pattinson	

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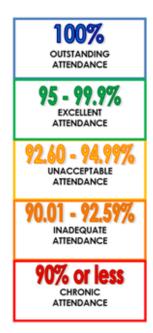
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Year 10: 100% ATTENDERS HT1

Nathan Atkinson	Ethan Copeland	Natalie Henderson	Liam Launders	Kai Poole
Ayden Bell	Jessica Courty	Riley Herald	Jessica Littlefair	Maddie Routledge
Lucas Beswick	Oliver Cross	Kyle <u>Hindmoor</u>	Jack Mackins	Jo Rowley
Charlie Bowman	Leo Dalton	Jayden Howard	Connie Martin	Eva Shaw
Freya Brown	Declan Denwood	Ava Hunter	Clayton McCormick	Tilly Smiles
Lee Burgess	Kiera Ditchburn	Olivia Ireland	Michael Miller	Jayden Weaver
Mae Burns	Olivia Dudson	Johnny Ivison	Finley Moore	Kaltlyn Wilkinson
Owen Chambers	Amarii Fleming	Byron Johnston	Kacie Nicholson	Sophle Wong
Luka Charters	Dennis Frost	Calden Kirkbride	Dawid Olizarowicz	Evie Young
Tyler Chilton	Ethan Graham	Jamle Kirkbride	Hallie Plummer	



Year 10:95%+ ATTENDERS HT 1

Leah <u>Ackerley</u>	Faith Gunning	Eve Montgomery	Lacey Scholey	100% OUTSTANDING
Moesha <mark>Beneras-Rumney</mark>	Mark Hine	Caleb Moore	Josef Sewell	ATTENDANCE
Liam Bennion	McKenzie Houghton	<u>Meya</u> Moore	Ben Taylor	95 - 99.9% EXCELLENT ATTENDANCE
Lacey Bethwaite	Anthony Lawson	Connor Mottley	Oscar Taylor	92.60 - 94.99%
Casey Chambers	Ben Mackins	James Nicholson	Georgia Thomlinson	UNACCEPTABLE ATTENDANCE
Harley Easton	Jack Massey	Lilly Nolan	Lewis Walling	90.01 - 92.597 INADEQUATE ATTENDANCE
Leon Frost	Joe McDowell	Aaron Rowley	Maddison Whitehead	90% or less
Angel Goulding Sophia				CHRONIC ATTENDANCE

Year 11: 100% ATTENDERS HT1

Kieran Abram	Ethan Burnham	Libby Dunstan	Lucia Jackson	Ella Pattinson	Luke Timney
Isabella Andrews	Tlegan Campbell	Katle Farley	Katle Mackay	Elyse Rickerby	Reegan Tinnion
Ellie Armstrong	Ruby Clark	Macie Fisher	Ava Maxwell	Mason Rothery	Louis Tomassi
Hollie Askew	Cory Close	Madison Fisher	Connor McGuirk	Finlay Routledge	Alfie Volkaerts
Ellie Atkinson	Sophie Corlett	Lewis Gaston	Niamh McKean	Thomas Rowley	Amber Walker
Luke Banks	Katie Dahmani	Mia Graham	Luke Mulgrew	Sumer Sharman	Mason White
Eleanor Beaumont	Stanley Dean	May Green	Brandon Munro	Danny Stewart	Marc Whitehead
Dylan Bell	Callum Dockeray	Grace Henderson	Freya Ostle	Daniel Thompson	James Williamson
Daniel Brown	Joseph Douglas	McKenzie Hesketh	Ella Pape	Jay Thomson	Danielle Wilson

Laila Brown

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Katherine Corlett	<u>Corbun</u> Easton	Owen Holmes	Kacey Musgrave
Ruby Bahreini	Dylan Evans	Jayden Hutchinson	Emilio Perestrelo
James Brough	Erin Forsyth	Rhys Kirkbride	Charlie Shimmings
Rhys Brown	Bobby French	Tyler Marnock	Leigha Smithson
Alivia Carter	Isla Hadden	Olivia Montgomery	Katle Thompson
Aimee Cartwright	Alesha Hansen	Harri Mossop	Ava <u>Twentyman</u>
Reice Curwen	Kadie Harrison	Kian Mottley	Seth Wassell

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Attendance at Netherhall

Parents and carers are legally responsible for ensuring that their children receive a full time education.

Mrs Telford is the School Attendance Officer and can be contacted on 01900 813434 ext.200

Good, regular attendance and punctuality is expected of <u>every student</u>. Students should be in school by 8.30am each morning and be lined up quietly outside their registration room or assembly by 8.30am. Punctuality is an important part of self discipline and is essential to good time management. All lateness is recorded and sanctions given. If a student arrives AFTER 8.55am he/she will need to register with Mrs Telford in her office.

100%

OUTSTANDING ATTENDANCE

You have attended school **every day** so far this year - well done!

95 - 99.9%

EXCELLENT ATTENDANCE

You have attended school **nearly every day** so far this year

92.60 - 94.99%

You are currently having **at least one day off per month** which will affect your learning and achievement

90 - 92.59%

INADEQUATE ATTENDANCE

You are currently absent the equivalent of **one day every fortnight** and this will have a negative impact on your learning

Less than 90%

Your attendance is a **serious concern** and you are severely affecting your education. Immediate improvement is required!

Netherhall School operates a <u>colour band system</u> to encourage and reward good attendance and to closely monitor and address poor attendance, in liaison with Children's Services and the County Inclusion Officer where necessary.

We ask that parents:

- * do not make dental/medical appointments during school time where possible or to ensure their child attends part of the day where they can dental/medical appointments cards or letters will be required
- * <u>not take holidays during term-time</u> the Headteacher cannot grant a leave of absence except in exceptional circumstances
- * <u>contact school straight away</u> if your child is feeling unwell this must be done **EACH DAY OF ABSENCE** to ensure students are safeguarded

It is the discretion of the school whether a student is sent home or any absence authorised.

Parents, students and governors will be <u>regularly informed</u> throughout the year of how well students are doing.

Our attendance governor is Julie Walton and she can be contacted through the Clerk to the Governors at school. She will be supporting the school with attendance interviews for students with attendance below 95%.

STATISTICS TO THINK ABOUT:

- * 95% attendance (1 day off every four weeks) gives students an 80% chance of achieving 5 A*-C grades at GCSE.
- * For every 10% drop in attendance, a student is likely to achieve 1 less GCSE
- * 90% attendance (1 day off per fortnight) gives students a 60% chance of achieving 5 A*-C grades at GCSE.
- * 85% attendance (1.5 days off per fortnight) gives students a 42% chance of achieving 5 A*-C grades at GCSE.
- * 80% attendance all the way through school is the equivalent of missing a whole year of education.
- * 80% attendance means a student is missing 1 full day of education every week.

What do we do to improve attendance at Netherhall School?

- Assemblies to promote good attendance (ongoing throughout the year)
- Rewards achievement points awarded for good attendance and celebrated in assembly and on social me
- Attendance information/reminders printed in the Newsletter and on website (half-termly)
- Unauthorised absence Edulink notification/texts (daily, as and when required to alert pare
- Letters for unauthorised holidays (as and when required)
- Letters for unexplained absence (as and when required)
- Attendance data available at any time via 'Attendance' section on Edulink
- Attendance to date printed on to Academic Reports (annually) and data sheets (half-termly)

- STUDENTS WITH OUTSTANDING ATTENDANCE (BLUE BAND: 100%)

 Rewards achievement points for 100% for Y7-13 and certificates Y7-11 (half termiy)

 Name displayed in assembly (weekly)

 Name displayed on TV screens around school (weekly)

 Edulink messages for 100% attendance (weekly)

 Displays within tutor classrooms and year areas (ongoing updated monthly)

- Name displayed on TV screens around school (weekly)
 Edulink messages for 100% attendance (weekly)
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- STUDENTS WITH EXPECTED ATTENDANCE (GREEN BAND: 95 99.99%)

 Rewards achievement points for 95+% for Y7-13 and certificates Y7-11 (half termly)

 Name displayed in assembly (weekly)

 Name displayed on TV screens around school (weekly)

 Edulink messages for 95+% attendance (weekly)

 Displays within tutor classrooms and year areas (ongoing updated monthly)



- STUDENTS WITH INADEQUATE ATTENDANCE (AMBER BAND: 90.01 94.99%)

 Tutor intervention (ongoing, as and when required)

 Edulink communication to parents warning of poor attendance and possible consequences (as and when required)

 Pupil interviews conducted by the Attendance Officer and Governor

 Attendance mentoring

- Aftendance mentoring
 Parental meetings with HOY and Attendance Officer
 Attendance Panels attended by Attendance Officer and SLT Lead including a 6-week review plan (half termly)
 Liaison with the Local Authority Inclusion Officer Julie Topping (as and when required ongoing)
 Liaison with Assistant Head regarding attending TAF, Core Group or involvement of external services



- STUDENTS WITH CHRONIC ATTENDANCE (RED BAND: 90% OR LESS)

 HOY intervention (ongoing, as and when required)

 Communication via Edulink warning of poor attendance and possible consequences (as and when required)

 Headleacher's warning letter of legal consequences of ongoing poor attendance (as and when required)

 Involvement from the Local Authority Inclusion Officer Julie Topping (as and when required ongoing)

 Involvement with other external agencies e.g. Social Care, CAMHs where appropriate (as and when required)

 Early Help intervention (as and when required, reviewed in TAF (every 6-8 weeks)

 Attendance Review Conferences attended by Julie Topping, Attendance Officer and Assistant Headleacher (attendance) (3 weekst)

 Issuing of fixed penalty notices (as and when required)

 Legal procedures activated by the Local Authority, including interviews under caution and legal prosecution (as and when required)

The importance of being on time for school

Your child's learning starts as soon as they enter the

- classroom in the morning
- If your child is 5 minutes late each day, they miss 25 minutes of learning each week
- Over a 6-week term, this adds up to 150 minutes, or two and a half hours, of lost learning time
- Over the whole year (39 weeks), this totals 975 minutes or over 16 hours - of missed education!

DON'T LET YOUR CHILD MISS OUT -GIVE THEM THE BEST CHANCE TO SUCCEED BY BEING ON TIME FOR SCHOOL EVERY DAY!