

22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

It has been a busy term for our staff and students, and as the Easter holidays begin, we are looking forward to this chance to relax and reenergise! Please read on for some key information and latest updates, as well as a few notable dates for your diary for the summer term.

### **Year 8 Parents' Evening**

There was a great turnout for our Year 8 Parents' Evening with over two thirds of parents in attendance. Thank you.

### **Comic Relief**

On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March, we invited all students and staff to wear non-uniform to raise funds for Comic Relief. Our current total raised stands at £505.00! The option to donate will remain open until 9am on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024. Should you wish to donate, please log on to your Arbor Parent Portal where this is available under the 'School Shop' section.

### **Active Travel Ambassadors**

Nine of our students pitched at the Modeshift Junction Event at County Hall Beverly on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March. Our Active Travel Ambassadors work all year to reduce traffic on site and increase healthy travel. They successfully pitched for £460 of funding to support an Active Travel Day which will focus on promoting the long-term benefits of walking, biking, or taking the bus to school.

### **Maths Feast**

On Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March, Holderness Academy took 3 teams of 4 Year 10 students to Winifred Holtby Academy where they competed in the Y10 Maths Feast competition against other schools across the Humberside region (organised by Advanced Maths Support Programme). Holderness Academy were the highest scorers of the competition overall.

### **Holiday Activities & Food (HAF)**

Please see the link [here](#) for information regarding the HAF programme. The programme is designed to provide children and young people who receive benefit-related free school meals with free fun activities across the school holidays. There are also a limited number of places made available to children and young people with an Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP).

### **Year 8 HPV immunisations - Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April**

The Year 8 HPV vaccinations are due to take place in school on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April. An email, on behalf of the NHS to obtain parental consent, was sent to Year 8 parents/carers on 21<sup>st</sup> February and will be re-sent at the beginning of summer term.

### Down Syndrome Awareness week

In support of their chosen charity Downright Special, our Year 7 Student Council have held a chocolate tombola at break and lunchtime today in the Leonardo area and raised a fantastic total of £208.35! We would like to congratulate Miss Oliver, Mrs Painter and the Year 7 students involved in today's fundraising event and thank you to all those who donated and took part.

Please be reminded that Holderness Academy & Sixth Form College is a **nut free** school. This also extends to trips and sporting fixtures. We ask that no nut products are sent or consumed during school or trips.

### Key dates

Key Dates for Summer term	
End of Spring Term	3pm, Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2024
Easter Holidays	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March – Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
All students return to school	8.30am, Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
SENDCo Surgery	2pm – 4.40pm, Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
Wellbeing Surgery	3pm – 5pm, Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
Year 7 Parents Evening	3.30pm – 6pm, Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2024
SENDCo Surgery	2pm – 4.40pm, Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May 2024
Extended Learning Task Surgery	3.10pm – 4.30pm, Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> May 2024
End of Summer half term 1	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2024
All students return to school	8.30am, Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2024
SENDCo Surgery	2pm – 4.40pm, Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2024
Wellbeing Surgery	3pm – 5pm, Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2024
Year 6 Transition days	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> July – Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2024
Year 6 Meet the Tutor evening	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 2024
Sports Day	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July 2024
SENDCo Surgery	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2024
Awards Evening	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July 2024
End of Summer Term	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2024 – students to leave at 1.30pm

May I take this opportunity to wish you and your families a relaxing and joyful Easter break, and I look forward to welcoming all students back to school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April.

Yours faithfully,



Mr N Holder  
Headteacher