

Scarborough UTC News Flash

Friday, 13th December 2024

INTRODUCTION

Dear Parent/Carers

What a super week, one of real positivity. It was lovely to see so many in their Christmas Jumpers and enjoying Christmas lunch, as the song says "It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas..." We helped raise £52.00 for St. Catherine's.

Thank you to you all for your support with improving attendance, we have seen a small uplift this week in compared to last, let's keep this going please.

Year 11 have been asking about Mock results - a reminder that these will be sent out to you and also given to the children in a special assembly in the week beginning 12th January.

Arrangements for the end of term:

A completely normal week, next week, with focussed lessons Monday to Thursday, and Friday Period 1 and 2 too.

Friday period 3 will be a whole college assembly including the Sixth Form - focussed on rewards and celebration.

Friday Period 4 will be our annual gift giving and "tea party" in the atrium.

We will leave college at 1:30pm on Friday 20th December and return to college at 08:45am on Tuesday 7th January.

Lastly, thank you for all your support towards providing food for the local Foodbank, we have delivered this today, there are always those who are worse off than ourselves and I know this will help many in our local community, thank you.

Thank you for your continued support.

Helen Dowds

Principal

YEAR 12 ENGINEERING FLAMINGOLAND VISIT

Our Y12 mechanical engineering students were privileged to be able to visit Flamingoland this week during their shut down and maintenance period. The visit enabled students to access ride areas that are usually restricted in order to see first hand ride operation methods and processes, and to observe maintenance activities taking place in the engineering workshop. The knowledge gained will provide invaluable information that will be used to enhance student assignments within their course. A huge thank you to the team at Flamingoland, in particular Steve the lead engineer for a great tour and talk, for giving our students this opportunity.

N Griffiths



WORK EXPERIENCE – YEAR 10 & YEAR 12

Well done to those students that have found/identified placements for their work experience week in February and uploaded those to Connect. Opportunities and information for students can be found on the Work Experience Google Classroom with support also available from tutors, teachers and myself - I'm at the front of college every break and lunchtime. A reminder that students need to have identified their placement and uploaded details to the Connect site by the end of the day on Wednesday 18th December. Many thanks to those of you that have done such a great job in supporting your child to find a placement and access the Connect site.

N Griffiths

THE UK HEALTH SECURITY AGENCY INFORMATION

The UK Health Security Agency have produced advice on illnesses that are currently affecting nursery and school children across Yorkshire and The Humber.

What are the symptoms?

There are two groups of symptoms:

Diarrhoea and vomiting – usually lasting

1-2 days • Fever, tiredness, runny nose, cough and sore throat – lasting 3-4 days

What should I do if my child is unwell?

If your child has diarrhoea and/or vomiting symptoms, they should not attend nursery/school until they have been symptom free for 48 hours

If your child has a high temperature and is unwell, it is very important they stay at home and don't attend school until they have recovered. Children with mild symptoms like runny nose, sore throat, or mild cough, who are otherwise well, can continue to attend school.

Ensure they drink plenty of fluids – taking sips rather than gulps, to avoid vomiting

If they have a fever – give child paracetamol and/or ibuprofen, according to manufacturer's instructions. Your local pharmacist can also advise you about the best treatment for your child

If your child is unusually sleepy, can't take fluids or has other symptoms, such as an unusual rash, headache or neck stiffness – **seek medical advice immediately**

Infection control advice

Handwashing is one of the most important ways to prevent the spread of both of these infections. This applies to the child who is ill and the person caring for them. Hands should be washed using soap and rinsed under running water:

Before and after caring for the child

After using the toilet

Before eating, preparing or handling food

After cleaning up spills (vomit, diarrhoea or urine)

Also – keep a separate towel for each family member who has symptoms, and change them regularly

Dry hands thoroughly

Other control measures:

Cover nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing, using a tissue if possible – dispose of used tissues immediately and wash hands

Wash soiled clothing, bed linen and towels at 60oC, using detergent – if possible, wear disposable gloves to handle contaminated items

Surfaces and touch points (taps, toilet flush handle, door handles) should be cleaned then disinfected with bleach-based cleaner

Check that your child is up to date with their [NHS vaccinations schedule](#)

For further information, visit NHS.uk and search for 'respiratory infections' and 'diarrhoea and vomiting'.

JUST 'B' BEREAVED BY SUICIDE SUPPORT

A new service has been launched in Scarborough, providing free virtual bereavement support to children, young people and adults affected by suicide. Just 'B' has been commissioned by NHS Humber and North Yorkshire Integrated Care Board to provide the specialist support in three postcode areas (YO11, YO12 and YO13).

Bereaved by suicide?

We're here in Scarborough Town and Eastfield (YO11, YO12, YO13)



A new service for **children, young people and adults bereaved by suicide** in the Scarborough Town and Eastfield areas (YO11, YO12 and YO13).

Free, expert support to help **explore** and **manage grief** following **bereavement by suicide**.

Virtual support sessions from specialist North Yorkshire bereavement support service **Just 'B'**.

You can **refer yourself** into the service, or alternatively, your **parent/carer, health or social care professional** can **do this for you**. Email justbscarborough@justb.org.uk

Funded by the



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Health and Care Partnership

justb.org.uk

JUST 'B'

North Yorkshire Hospice Care is a registered charity in England and Wales (518905) with a family of services operating as Herriot Hospice Homecare, Just 'B', Saint Michael's Hospice and Talking Spaces. North Yorkshire Hospice Care is a company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales (212179). Registered address Crimple House, Hornbeam Park Avenue, Harrogate, HG2 8NA.

FOOD BANK COLLECTION

A huge thanks go to all students, parents and staff who contributed to our food bank appeal for the Rainbow Centre. Today staff were able to drop off 14 bags containing over 130 items, including tea, coffee, cereal, various tins, pasta, rice, biscuits and much more. We know these small items may make a huge difference to those in need, so thanks to all who were able to give something. To find out more about the Rainbow Centre, or see how you can support them, please visit their website <https://therainbowcentre.org/>



SAFEGUARDING

We are committed to our students and families and we continue to provide support and points of contact.

Should you be concerned and feel that you need to share information please contact and refer information to the following email: dsl@su.coastandvale.academy

SUTC Designated Safeguarding Lead and Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead monitor the email.

MONITOR, REPORT ENCOURAGE

All students have been issued with emails and online accounts and all are reminded of the importance of maintaining security using college account usernames and passwords and to report concerns if they feel that accounts have been compromised.

Resources The Go-To - Emotional wellbeing and mental health (thegoto.org.uk)

NHS – Scarlet Fever Scarlet fever: symptoms, diagnosis and treatment

Email: info@community-counselling.org.uk

Website: www.community-counselling.org.uk

Telephone: 01653 690124 Mobile phone safety | Childline Physical activity and mental health | Mental Health Foundation Kooth for Children & Young People - Kooth plc

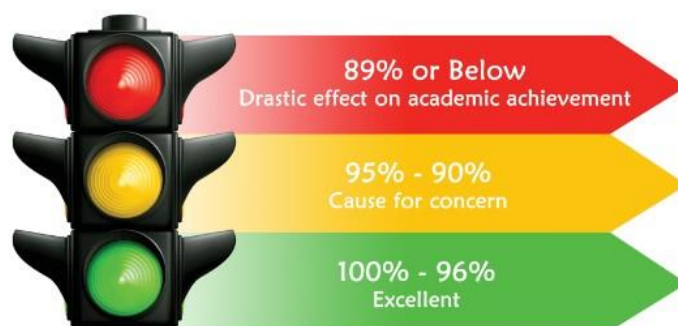
ATTENDANCE

Firstly, thank you for the hard work every day ensuring your child has good or excellent attendance. This has a significant impact on both social and academic outcomes for your child. Now as we head into Autumn achieving and maintaining 96-100% is essential. Students are continually rewarded.

Currently, we can see that students value their experiences here at Scarborough UTC and attendance is a key factor in this.

Please check previous Newsletters for guidance on attendance and the new DFE attendance framework.

All medical and illness absences are reported daily by parents using our absence line or enquiries to Miss. Brown our Attendance and Data Manager. Should you make a call for a reported student illness—please expect a phone call back from the attendance team to check details and provide support as required.



ACADEMIC YEAR DATES

Autumn Term Finishes	Friday 20 th December 2024
Christmas Holiday	Monday 23 rd December-Friday 3 rd January 2025
Professional Development Training Day (college closed to students)	Monday 6 th January 2025
Students Return to College	Tuesday 7 th January 2025

Half Term Holiday	Monday 17 th February-Friday 21 st February 2025
Students Return to College	Monday 24 th February 2025
Easter Holidays	Monday 7 th April-Monday 21 st April 2025
Students Return to College	Tuesday 22 nd April 2025
May Bank Holiday	Monday 5 th May 2025
Half term Holiday	Monday 26 th May-Friday 30 th May 2025
Students Return to College	Monday 2 nd June 2025
Summer Term Ends	Friday 18 th July 2025
Professional Development Training Days	Monday 21 st July and Tuesday 22 nd July 2025

For the academic year 2025-2026 please consult the North Yorkshire Council website