

Scarborough UTC News Flash

Friday, 24th January 2025

INTRODUCTION

Dear Parent/Carers,

It was fantastic to conclude the week with an NSPCC workshop supporting Year 9 and Year 10. Students participated thoughtfully and actively to get the best out of this opportunity.

Year 11 have received their Mock Exam results already, but the whole college (Year 9 to 13) will receive mid-year reporting in the week ahead. Please keep an eye out for this on Bromcom - reports can be found in the reports section of your app. If you cannot get onto the app. please contact enquiries and we will assist you to gain access.

Advanced Notice: Year 11 parent's information evening is on Tuesday 4th February starting at 3:30pm. I cannot stress how important it is to attend this event, you will get the chance to discuss mock grades and next steps to take in preparation for the third trial exams. Please book appointments on the Bromcom app. If you are struggling with this, please use the enquiries email to make contact and the team will help you book.

As I reflect on the first three weeks of this half term, it is great to see that students have received over 18000 positive behaviour points during this time, there is an average of 17.2 per student, this reenforces how hard the students have been working this half term.

Thank you for your support in ensuring your child attends college, numbers have improved in the last week and both Year 9 and Year 11 have crossed the 92% thresholds this week, although Year 10 still remains a concern. Let us remember however that even 95% attendance would be a half day off every fortnight.

Finally, I made reference to this last week, but once again please can I ask for your support in relation to mobile phones. These are banned throughout the school day and must remain in student lockers. Please regularly check your child's social media presence and accounts; there is too much pressure and temptation to become involved in things that pose risk, young people can make poor choices on occasion and if they know you will be checking, they are much less likely to undertake risky behaviours.

Thank you for your continued support.

Helen Dowds

Principal

YEAR 10 DISSECTING HEARTS

As part of their GCSE unit organisation, Y10 students actively engaged to dissect sheep hearts and could identify chambers of the heart along with valves. They were amazing and Mr Chew gave out lots of PVES's.











SPECIAL THANK YOU

A big thank you to J. Corrigan and family for resourcing and installing a pool table into the sixth form common room. Students have been using it in their downtime and when installed Mr Corrigan was teaching students about the engineering involved in the table but also mechanics for lifting heavy objects.

SAFEGUARDING

It is essential for safeguarding purposes that Lanyards and identity cards are worn at all times. Should cards become lost or damaged these must be replaced. Replacements can be purchased via parent pay. Lanyards re required for identification for all working staff within the building. Students who forget such items must sign into college manually and this adds to workload. It is our student's responsibility to ensure they are prepared for each day.

All students who have poor punctuality and fail to bring a lanyard receive immediate negative stages – these cumulatively result in Lunch time detentions.

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, Courses and Support

For the Attention of Parents

FREE 2-day course for parents and carers of children and young people with communication and interaction needs.

This annual event is an opportunity to find out more about autism and gain practical tools and strategies to help support your child or young person.

Parents will also meet others facing similar experiences or with a shared interest in the topic.

Children do not need to have a diagnosis of autism in order for parents to attend. Parents need to be able to attend both days and will receive a copy of the content covered following the course.

Click here to book.

Emotional well-Being and Mental Health

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

ATTENDANCE

It is very important to ensure that 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.

Absences for medical reasons will only be authorised if evidence is provided, and it remains the responsibility of parents to provide this evidence. Acceptable evidence includes appointment letters or texts, and photographs of prescriptions or medications showing the name & date. These can be emailed to the enquiries email address or handed in/ shown at Reception.

Attendance will always be a continual reminder. Excellent attendance is above 96.5%. It is important that all students work hard to continually improve, this contributes significantly to maintain and improve overall progress and attainment.

All students with 100% receive 10 professional points per week. Student above the 96.5 target receive 5 points per week.

Attendance monitoring and formal procedures are followed robustly. We work closely with NYC attendance team to address attendance concerns at the earliest stage.

Attendance Focus

Student support to achieve excellent attendance is vital. In addition to support from our attendance team. Students will receive regular attendance support sessions in college and actions on home -visits will be scaled up.



ACADEMIC YEAR DATES	
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