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## News from the Principal

Another busy week has flown by. Year 11 have continued to impress us with their commitment to revision and interventions. Some learners also attended additional external English and Maths sessions in Harrogate. Learners taking GCSE Art have now largely completed their exams. The ART exams are particularly intense, with sessions that are 5 hours long. Well done to all and to Mrs Hudson for coordinating.

We ended the week on Friday with our traditional Year 11 group photograph, it seems to come around quicker every year. Photograph order forms must be returned to the Admin/Finance office by Friday 11th May.

Huge thanks to all parents and carers who supported with learners attending the Saturday GCSE Maths

revision/intervention session. We had over 100 learners in school, which was incredibly impressive.

We saw more sporting success last week with our Year 10 Netball team becoming Barnsley Champions once again. Proud doesn't even come close! There were some superb performances from the girls who secured the win. Miss Wilkinson smiled all week! We also had some brilliant performances in the Barnsley Futsal tournament. Many thanks to Mr Wade for supporting.

Hopefully, you will have now received the information regarding the potential travel disruption on Friday 4th May, as a result of the Tour De Yorkshire. As already communicated to parents and carers via email, school will be open as usual on this day. We will ensure that any learners who arrive

late as a result of the travel disruption are given the appropriate attendance mark.

We have been recruiting in school and we are delighted to have made strong appointments in Maths along with Geography and Art maternity leave cover.

Our Summer teaching and learning reviews have commenced and it has been brilliant to be in some of the classrooms observing excellent teaching practice.

Our work with Delta Academies has recently begun behind the scenes, reviewing our current curriculum offer to develop a clear plan to move forward. The Delta team have also started to explore where adaptations could be made to the school building to minimise the number of open plan teaching spaces. This work is very much in its infancy. Once finalised this will, of course, be communicated to parents and carers.

Firm transition arrangements for our new Year 7 learners have been agreed and these have been communicated to our feeder primary schools.

Many thanks for your continued support.

**Ms Kate Davies - Principal**

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## GCSE PE PRACTICAL MODERATION EXAM

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GCSE PE PRACTICAL  
MODERATION  
EXAMWEDNESDAY 2ND MAY 2018  
HARD WORK PAYS OFF!

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## KEY DATES

2ND MAY 2018  
Year 7 Parents' Evening7TH MAY 2018  
Bank Holiday25TH MAY 2018  
Break up for Spring Bank4TH JUNE 2018  
Return to School27TH JUNE 2018  
Year 11 Prom

## ARDECHE TRIP T SHIRTS

Orders for the Ardèche Trip T shirts will be placed on Tuesday 1st May. Any requests after this date, unfortunately will not be processed.

## BELGIUM BATTLEFIELDS TRIP MEETING

There will be a Belgium Battlefields learner, parent and carer information meeting running on Tuesday 1st May at 5.00pm in the Lecture Theatre. Learners are required to bring their passports and EHIC cards.

## SPANISH EXCHANGE MEETING

Miss Borges will be running a Spanish Exchange learner, parent and carer information meeting on Tuesday 8th May at 5.00pm in rooms, E302 and E303 in the World Wing. Please bring learner passports, EHIC cards and the required parent and carer DBS information.

## CAYTHORPE COURT ADVENTURE CENTRE INFORMATION

Please ensure all the relevant forms have been completed and returned for Year 10 learners participating in the Caythorpe Court Adventure Centre. Letters have been sent home regarding the recommended kit list to ensure that learners are fully prepared for the activities ahead. Please do not hesitate to contact Miss Wilkinson if anyone is unsure of the items required.

## YEAR 11 SUNDAY ENGLISH REVISION

The English department will be running an additional revision session for all Year 11 learners on Sunday 20th May, 10.00am - 2.00pm. Letters have been sent home informing parents and carers. Please return the attendance permission slips no later than Friday 4th May.

## WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE WK ENDING 20TH APRIL - 95.50%

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PARENTS' EVENING  
WEDNESDAY 2ND MAY  
4.30PM - 7.30PMBooking for teacher appointments  
is OPEN!<https://dartoncollege.parenteveningsystem.co.uk>

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## TOUR DE YORKSHIRE

Please see the following link for all the latest Tour De Yorkshire rolling road closure information.

<https://www.barnsley.gov.uk/media/8044/tour-de-yorkshire-road-closures-040518>

All our buses services are running however, please expect some disruption and possible delays. School will be open from 7.00am for learners who wish to arrive early. Breakfast will also be served from 7.30am. Lessons will commence at the normal time.

