



# THE EGG

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2022

### **HEAD TEACHER WELCOME**

Welcome to the first edition of 'The Egg' for this academic year. For our new families in Year 7 and 12 we use our fortnightly newsletter to share good news stories, communicate important dates and share wider key messages such as safeguarding, rewards and pastoral support.

Our students have made a superb start to the term. The Year 7s have settled extremely well and are quickly adapting to life in a big secondary school. We also have a large number of students who have enrolled in Year 12, many joining us from local 11-16 schools, which is fantastic to see. This term is exceptionally busy with many key events for parents/carers and students in the coming weeks. Our success at Egglescliffe is undoubtedly down to the strong partnerships we have built between school and home. We are looking forward to working closely with you once again to support your children throughout this academic year so they can 'Be the best they can'.

This promises to be an exciting academic year for Egglescliffe on our 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary, as we will move into our long-awaited new building in the spring term and start the demolition of some of our existing buildings. This will ensure we have excellent facilities for both our current and future students. We will keep parents/carers up to date on the progress over the weeks ahead.

Mrs Oyston

#### DO YOU HAVE A CHILD IN YEAR 6?

Our Year 6 open evening takes place on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September. The school will be open for parents/carers and prospective students to visit subject areas from 5.30pm to 8pm. There will also be a presentation in the sports hall from senior staff at 5.30pm and then again at 7pm.

# WANT TO JOIN OUR AMAZING TEAM?

### **Finance Manager**

Required as soon as possible

- 37 hours a week, term time only plus 15 days
- SCP 19-22
- Closing date for application: 23<sup>rd</sup> September
   12pm

#### **Attendance Officer**

Required as soon as possible

- 37 hours a week, term time only plus 5 days
- SCP 9-12
- Closing date for application: 23<sup>rd</sup> September
   12pm

For more information visit:

www.egglescliffe.org.uk/join-our-team/

Egglescliffe is an equal opportunities employer, committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children.

Enhanced DBS will be required

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

8 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 11 How to Revise Evening 6pm
12 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 7 and Y10 photos
13 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 12 Introduction to Sixth Form 6pm
14 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 7 Supporting Learning Evening 6pm
22 <sup>nd</sup> September	Year 6 Open evening 5.30pm-8.00pm
29 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 10 Introduction to KS4
3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Year 11 mocks (for next 3 weeks)
5 <sup>th</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 7 and 10 tutor evening-
	appointments allocated
17 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 13 Autumn assessments sent home
21st October	End of half term
31 <sup>st</sup> October	Start of Autumn term 2

## **EXAM SUCCESS-WELL DONE Y11**







After two years of many uncertainties, the Year 11 students rose to the challenges they have faced. On August 25<sup>th</sup> our delighted students received excellent grades with the majority achieving or exceeding their predicted grades. Overall 88% of students secured a Grade 4 in both English and maths, with almost 750 grade 7-9s across the curriculum and an amazing 225 top grade 9s.

The resilience that our students have shown throughout the last two years has been truly remarkable. We must never underestimate the many challenges this cohort has faced whilst completing their KS4 courses during a pandemic. Our Year 11 students are exceptional, inspiring and talented young people and we could not be prouder of them.

Most of our Year 11 students have enrolled at Egglescliffe Sixth Form, alongside students from other schools in the local area, and we will continue to see the journey they make as they embark upon their A-level courses. For those who are continuing their post-16 studies or apprenticeships elsewhere we wish them the best of luck for the future.

Well done to the Class of 2022; we are so proud of the young adults you have become over the last five years at Egglescliffe School. You have so much to celebrate and such bright futures ahead.

### SCHOOL FACILITIES AVAILABLE FOR HIRE

We are extremely excited that we are hiring out our school facilities to local community groups. ES Lettings (Part of VALT Enterprises) will be managing the bookings and the facilities after school hours. If you are interested in booking the facilities please visit <a href="https://schoolhire.co.uk/stockton-on-tees/egglescliffe">https://schoolhire.co.uk/stockton-on-tees/egglescliffe</a> to see the opening times and availability.

You can hire: Full size Astroturf, Sports hall, Muga/Tennis courts, Gymnasium, Dining room, Main hall, Classrooms, Drama room, Meeting room, Library, Specialist rooms

So if you run a local club, want to hire a space for a group of people to meet or even need a space to hold a sports based children's birthday party then either visit the website or look us up on <u>facebook</u> or <u>Twitter</u>

## **EXAM SUCCESS-WELL DONE Y13**

At Egglescliffe School and Sixth Form College we encourage all students to 'Be the best they can' and our Year 13 students stepped up to that challenge with 67% of all grades being a grade B or higher!

Our students and staff have worked exceptionally hard and should be hugely proud of their achievements. This year group, in particular, has faced unprecedented challenges from GCSE exams being cancelled back in 2020, to significant disruptions with COVID restrictions in schools during their two-year A-level courses. However, they have shown such resilience and adaptability over the last two and a half years. They have been simply amazing and these results are fully deserved.

Our A-level exam success continues at all levels with a high number of top grades being achieved and superb pass rates in all 27 subjects. Some excellent individual results were achieved in a range of subjects including art, biology, chemistry, computing, English language, French, geography, maths, music, physics and politics.

Our students' impressive results have enabled them to secure places at many prestigious institutions including Oxford, Cambridge, Durham, Newcastle, Manchester, Leeds, Liverpool and York. Our Year 13 students are moving on to the next stage of their lives and studying a wide range of courses such as Maths, Music, Physics, Chemistry, Medicine, Child Nursing, Sociology, Biomedical Sciences and many more.

We wish them all the best of luck as they start university, apprenticeships or employment.









# AMAZING STUDENTS DOING AMAZING THINGS

### YEAR 7 CULTURAL ENRICHMENT

At the end of the summer term, all year 7s took part in cultural enrichment lessons in MFL. On the French side, pupils learnt about boules, the rules and key French phrases to use during the game. After a lesson learning about the game, they played in the glorious sunshine. There was great team work on display and lots of French was used! 'Bravo' was echoing out over the school grounds!



On the German side, pupils learnt about traditional German games including Katz und Maus and Sturm, Blitz, Wind. All games involved pupils using or listening to German to play. A favourite was eins, zwei, drei halt! Some pupils were particularly impressive at standing extremely still.

It was lovely for pupils and the MFL teachers to have an opportunity to go outside and use their language skills. Well done to the current year 8s who took part in the summer term. We look forward to doing the same this school year with the new year 7s.

Mrs Watson.

### **MUSICAL SUCCESS**

A huge congratulations to Marcus O who played his first concert for Sinfonia at the Sage Gateshead over the summer break after his GCSEs had finished. We are so proud to hear that Marcus starts as the lead percussionist officially this month.

Marcus has just enrolled in sixth form and unsurprisingly is studying music A-level, alongside history and law.

We are looking forward to hearing about his ongoing success in the months and year ahead.



### **BRIGHT FUTURES AHEAD**

Two A-Level law students, Emma P and Isaac H completed work experience placements recently. They were both very successful; Emma impressed Elliot James Legal so much that they offered her a full, paid apprenticeship upon completion of her A-Levels and Isaac has been asked to return next summer to Merritts Solicitors who gave him a glowing report and even paid him for his efforts despite it being a voluntary position.

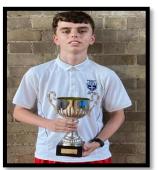
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#### **TENNIS SUCCESS**

The school tennis championships were held during Wimbledon week, with Alfie H winning the under 13 championship beating Miles M. The under 15 School Championship was won by Oliver B in year 10 beating Liam H in the final. In the Schools tennis leagues, Egglescliffe finished runners up in both u13 and u15 tennis leagues.



Alfie H U13 Tennis Champion



Oliver B U15 tennis Champion



#### **Y8 CHARITY FOOTBALL MATCH**

What a match! As I proudly stood along the side-lines cheering and supporting both teams, I felt like the luckiest Head of Year in the whole country. Watching over 40 students playing in a forty-minute football match, raising money for the Red Cross Ukraine Appeal, I saw both the competitive and caring sides to our students. Jamie W, Ben S and Aaron R worked tirelessly to organise, advertise and promote this event. A huge thank you to the boys for their hard work and resilience. Another huge thank you to all of the students who played in the football match; it was a brilliant atmosphere. Events like this help to make Egglescliffe School what it is and I'm so proud that our students came together and raised over £350 for the Ukraine Appeal. A special thank you to D&A Security, who doubled the amount that the students in Year 8 raised. It was a brilliant way to end a fantastic start to Egglescliffe School for Year 8.

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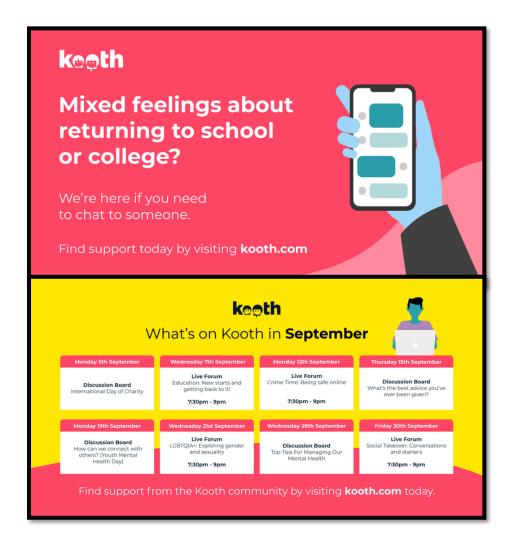


# PASTORAL SUPPORT, ADVICE & GUIDANCE

### WHAT'S ON IN PSHE THIS FORTNIGHT?

Our PSHE curriculum ensures that our students are well prepared to be active citizens in modern Britain. The focus over the next two weeks is:

- Year 7 Relationships (focusing on transition and 'Be kind to yourself')
- Year 8 Staying safe (focusing on cyberbullying and sharing images)
- Year 9 –Staying safe (focusing on online safety)
- Year 10 Staying safe (focusing on online safety)
- Year 11 Life in the wider world (focusing on employability and preparation for exams)



### WHAT IS KOOTH?

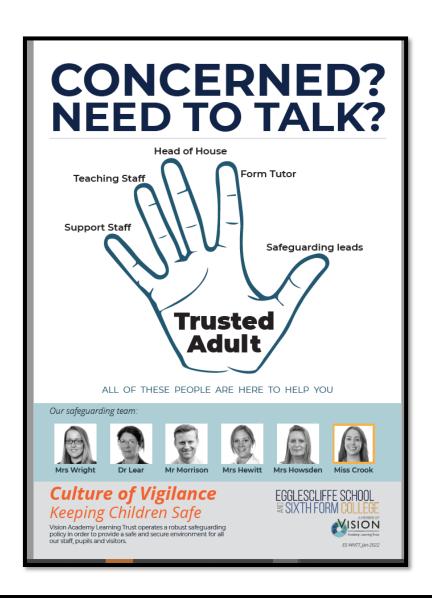
Kooth is an online wellbeing community available for 11-18 year olds. Services are free to all residents of Teesside.

They provide safe, anonymous mental health support services commissioned by the NHS.

The range of services can be accessed via the website www.kooth.com.

## **CULTURE OF VIGILANCE AT EGGLESCLIFFE**

The safeguarding section of the school website has been updated in terms of further support that is available within the local offer. In addition, you will also find a plethora of outside agency support information and a student SafeSpace reporting resource. <u>Safeguarding (egglescliffe.org.uk)</u>



## SAFE SPACE REPORTING

As discussed in previous assemblies, students have the opportunity to inform staff of something in a discrete manner by completing our SafeSpace report. Please see the link below:

SafeSpace Reporting (egglescliffe.org.uk)