



# THE EGG

Friday 26th May 2023

### **HEAD TEACHER WELCOME**

Welcome to our May newsletter at the end of a very busy half term.

This month our main focus has been on the Y11 and Y13 students starting their formal public examinations. An incredible amount of hard work has gone into preparing for these exams from students, staff and parents/carers. The exams run until the end of June so I am sure you can appreciate this is quite a pressured few weeks for our students. Nevertheless, they have approached the exams with incredible maturity, courage and resilience.

On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May we said a formal goodbye to the Year 13s in their leavers' assembly. Alfie M, Mille S and Cole were awarded with Head Teachers' awards for their contribution to college life over the last two years. It was wonderful to see the year group reminiscing about their time at Egglescliffe, whether they had been at the school for seven or just two years. A huge thank you must go to Mr Gratton, Mrs Corner, Miss Crook and the Y13 tutors who have provided excellent support and care for this year group over the last two years. This has been needed more than ever as they prepared for their first set of formal exams, being the year group that did not sit formal GCSE exams due to the pandemic.

Today we held the formal Year 11 leavers' assembly during a rare afternoon without any exams. This saw the traditional shirt signing and recollection of memories from the last five years. This year our Year 11s all received a letter either from their parents/carers or staff, with messages of pride, encouragement and motivation. This proved to be quite an emotional moment as the letters were opened by the unsuspecting students; something I am sure they will remember forever. It was wonderful to see the year group thank Mr Scaife and their tutors for the support they have given them during KS4. We will see our Year 11s back at school after half term and all Y11s and their parents/carers will be invited to a formal celebration event on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June. Information on how to book a place at this event will be sent out via Parent Mail in due course.

In other news, Year 10s have undertaken work experience this week and we are very much looking forward to hearing all about their experiences when they return after the half term break.

May I take this opportunity to wish all of our students and their families a restful and enjoyable half term break.

We are back for the final half term on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 8.55am. Mrs Oyston

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

June	Celebrating Diversity month
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Back to school-final half term
14 <sup>th</sup> June	Y10 mocks (next three weeks)
19 <sup>th</sup> June	Y8 Academic reports and summer
	assessment sent home
26 <sup>th</sup> June	Y7 Academic reports and summer
	assessment sent home
27 <sup>th</sup> June	Y12 subject teacher evening 3.25-6.45pm
29 <sup>th</sup> June	Official opening of the Peake building
29 <sup>th</sup> June	Y11 Celebration evening
29 <sup>th</sup> June	Y11 Art Exhibition
28 <sup>th</sup> -29 <sup>th</sup> June	Sixth Form Taster Days for Y11
5 <sup>th</sup> July	Y12 Careers afternoon
5-6 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 into 7 transition
6 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 parent/carer evening 6.30pm
7 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day

## **AMAZING STUDENTS DOING AMAZING THINGS**

#### THE GOLFING GREATS!

A huge congratulations to Thomas H in Year 8 who has just become Durham Schools Under 16s Golfing Champion! Thomas will be competing for the title of National Under 16s Golfing Champion in a matter of weeks.

The whole of the Egglescliffe community is behind you Thomas: Good luck!



#### **SUPERB STUDYING**

Superb efforts from Year 11 Science students.

In Science we use the my-gcsescience.com revision package. This is an effective and engaging revision package available for the Year 11 science students. We have just passed the 10000 videos watched and engaged with across the year group. This is an outstanding effort and there is still time to get more done! There are 199 videos available for Triple Science students and 141 available for the Double Science students, so keep using for the remaining exams! Well done!







#### KATIE'S CREATIVE CUT

Katie T-H cut off 20 inches of her hair for the Little Princess Trust and Teenage Cancer Trust. She raised £471 overall which was well above her £100 target that she had set herself. We are so proud of you within our school community Katie for doing this amazing charitable act.

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#### **END OF SEASON RUGBY REPORT**

The last week of the season saw Egglescliffe involved in four Cleveland county cups. The year 8's lost in two tight matches against High Tunstall 15-20 and eventual winners Conyers 15-10. The year 9's beat High Tunstall 50-19 and the under 16 playing in their last game for the school won the county cup for the first time at Mowden back stadium 31-7. On top of playing, eleven pupils also passed their Rugby Refereeing level one award. Although the Rugby union season has finished there is still some summer rugby with the year 8 Rugby League to go!

An amazing season all round for Egglescliffe students.













- Year 7 Cleveland County Tens Runners up and Cleveland County Sevens Runners up
- Year 8- Rugby league Regional Runners Up, Last 16 of England in Rugby League, Cleveland County Tens
   Runners up and Durham County Runners Up
- Year 9 Rugby league Regional Winners, Last 16 in England Rugby League, Cleveland County cup Winners, Cleveland County Sevens Winners and Cleveland County Tens Winners
- Under 14s mixed touch rugby North East Regional Winners and National Finalists (Worcester June 2023)
- Under 15s Cleveland County Sevens Winners
- Under 16s Rugby League regional runners up, Cleveland County Cup winners and Durham County Cup
   Runner up

Rugby Representation - A number of pupils have continued been selected to represent Durham County on the England Development pathway

- U18 Oliver N Durham County
- U16 Danny H and Joe B Newcastle Thunder Rugby League Academy, Henry R Durham County
- U15s Louie G Durham county
- U14s George S, Ben L, Jackson P, Richard K, Henry V Durham County

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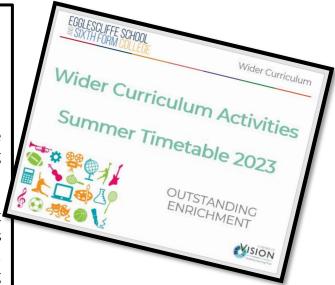
# SUMMER TERM ENRICHMENT: EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES FOR YEARS 7 TO 10

Enrichment at Egglescliffe was back with a bang for the new and final term of the year. There are lots of exciting sessions on offer for our students across years 7 to 10.

For those interested in a CHALLENGE, the PE department is offering a range of sports activities including rounders and tennis on a Monday, tennis and cricket on a Tuesday, volleyball on a Wednesday, and softball and trampolining on a Thursday, along with the usual inter-house matches and fixtures. If sport is not for you, why not try the brandnew Sherlock Holmes escape room every other Tuesday?

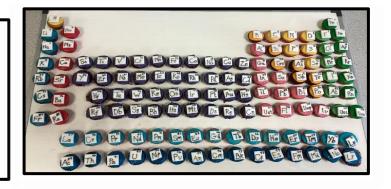
For those interested in displaying their CREATIVITY, there is Minecraft and Brass Band on Monday, Big Band and Youth Theatre on a Tuesday, and Dance on a Wednesday. Alternatively, there is a range of other activities spanning from History club to model games, to Lego club, to baking designed to display your EXCELLENCE as well as look after your WELLBEING.

Want to find out more? The Enrichment timetable is displayed on the screens in the Peake building, and can be found in the enrichment section of the website.



#### A PERIODIC MASTERPIECE!

THANK YOU TO NAT H (Y13) WHO DELIGHTED US
WITH A BAKING REPRESENTATION OF THE
PERIODIC TABLE AS A LEAVING GIFT TO HIS
CHEMISTRY CLASS. WHAT AN AMAZING AND
CREATIVE PARTING GIFT.



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#### YEAR 11 WELL BEING WALK

There were fish. There were chips. There were sandy toes. But not quite the sun-kissed nose(s) on account of it being freezing as Year 11 embarked on a well-being walk as a way of decompressing before the start of GCSE season.

Over 170 students and a smattering of staff did the walk from Redcar to Saltburn as a treat for their hard work, not just this year, but over the past five years as their time at Egglescliffe (or the school at least) draws to a close.

As expected, they were impeccably behaved and thoroughly enjoyed the break from lessons as they were able to spend time with friends and enjoy lunch provided by Seabreeze in Redcar who personalised every order with a 'good luck' to each student which was a really nice touch.

Despite the distinct lack of sun and a 'refreshing' breeze from the North Sea, spirits weren't dampened as the students had a kick about will a ball and opted for some very suspect music choices along the way. Several passers-by commented on the exceptional way in which the students behaved – they really have been a credit to the school and we wish them well for the exams.







#### **CRACKING CHEMISTS**

Earlier this year after several months of hard work and preparation a group of Year 13 Chemists competed in Round 1 of the UK Chemistry Olympiad. This is a very challenging competition covering A-level and beyond Chemistry content. Roxanne M and Oliver H both achieved a Gold award (in top 1000 of entries). Nath H, Marianne J and Mohammed S achieving Silver awards. Emma W, Ali A and Rachel R achieved Bronze awards. This was well deserved and all the students were very pleased with their efforts. Congratulations!

## **SIXTH FORM NEWS**

## SIXTH FORM ENRICHMENT: FINAL BLOCK OF ACTIVITIES, MAY/JUNE

We are reaching the end of another exhilarating year of the Year 12 enrichment programme. Our cohort of wonderful year 12s have been an exceptional group, and made the most of the variety of activities on offer. They have now reached the final block of activities, which are running either side of the three-week mock exam window.

Activities this term include some wonderful sporting opportunities in the form of BASKETBALL, old favourite FITNESS, and brand-new options DANCE and STRIKING AND FIELDING. Striking and Fielding has already proven to be a hit, with students praising the new option in the first two sessions. Other sessions include the hotly anticipated return of FORENSICS, the new favourite ARCHAEOLOGY CLUB, as well as another brand-new activity SNAP AND SKETCH, an exploration of the wonderful world of smartphone photography.

The sixth form enrichment programme will finish in June with a celebration of the achievements of this wonderful cohort of year 12s, with the rest of the term's Wednesday afternoon's dedicated to careers and the setting of crucial future goals.

We look forward to welcoming a new cohort of year 12s to the enrichment programme in September!



#### **LEPRA CHARITY FANCY DRESS WORKOUT**

Lepra is a UK-based international charity that is working to beat leprosy, a disease that still affects millions of vulnerable people across the world. They work overseas in India and Bangladesh to improve the lives of those affected by leprosy. They have been fighting disease since 1924 and are one of the world's leading authorities on leprosy. It is a curable disease and with continued support they can help more people to overcome this disease and rebuild their lives.

The students in Year's 12 and 13 had a virtual assembly from Lepra and took part in a Sponsored Fancy Dress Workout. In total, they have raised an amazing total of £700 for the charity and were presented with a certificate from Lepra. Thanks to everyone involved in raising money for this fantastic cause. 28 lives have been saved as a result of all of the 6<sup>th</sup> formers efforts.

# PASTORAL SUPPORT, ADVICE & GUIDANCE

### Hart Gables is a support service for those who identify as LGBTQ+ across Teesside and East Durham.

We work to ensure that all LGBTO+ people are given equal life chances and have services that meet their needs. We do this through supporting the local community, working with partner organisations and delivering award winning awareness training across the UK.

#### What is LGBTQ+?

The term LGBTQ+ is intended to emphasise a diversity of sexuality and gender identity-based cultures and is sometimes used to refer to anyone who is non-heterosexual or non-cisgender, instead of exclusively to people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual and/or transgender.

#### Our Aim

Hart Gables has been established since 1997 and was firstly launched as a community group named 'The Rainbow Centre' ran by dedicated volunteers. In May 2005 the recently re branded service Hart Gables advanced to registered charity status and has been successfully developing ever since, emerging into an improved organisation year after year. The strategic aim is to develop a safer and more inclusive community that will enable LGBTQ+ individuals to lead fulfilling and enriching lives.

#### The Vision

To celebrate diversity ensuring Teesside and East Durham are places where LGBTQ+ members of society feel valued, have equal rights and are empowered to reach their optimum potential.



Teesside and Fast Durham

### SUPPORT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE & **FAMILIES**

#### One to one support for young people and families

We can provide face to face appointments in one of our office locations, a community venue, schools, colleges or via zoom. To access this support you can contact us or refer yourself and/or your child using the link below. A professional can also refer with permission.

### **Stockton Youth Group\*:**

When: Every Monday, 4pm - 6pm Where: Innovation Hub, Newtown Community Resource Centre, Durham Road, Stockton on Tees, TS19 0DE

**Suitable for:** all LGBTQ+ youth between

the ages of 11-16.

### **Hartlepool Youth Group\*:**

When: Every Friday, 5:30pm - 7:30pm Where: Rossmere Youth Centre, Rossmere

Way, Hartlepool, TS25 5EB

**Suitable for:** all LGBTQ+ youth between the ages of 13-19, this group is run by Hart Gables & Hartlepool Borough Council.

\*Please Note: these groups do not run

on bank holidays.

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### WHAT'S ON IN PSHE NEXT HALF TERM?

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 Life in the wider world Financial education, careers and being an active citizen
- > Year 8 Relationships family, gender, healthy and unhealthy relationships, STIs
- Year 9 Diversity & Equality Tackling racism, refuge and asylum, Equality and Human Rights Act
- Year 10 Diversity & Equality LGBTQ+, The Moral Question
- > Year 11 Exams

Parents and carers of young people in the Borough with an EHCP are invited to a coffee morning next month (June 15) at Eastern Ravens Trust.

At the coffee morning there will be the opportunity to discuss **post-16 supported internships**.

- Thursday 15 June
- 10am-12pm
- Eastern Ravens Trust, Community Zone, North Shore Academy, Talbot Street, TS20 2AY



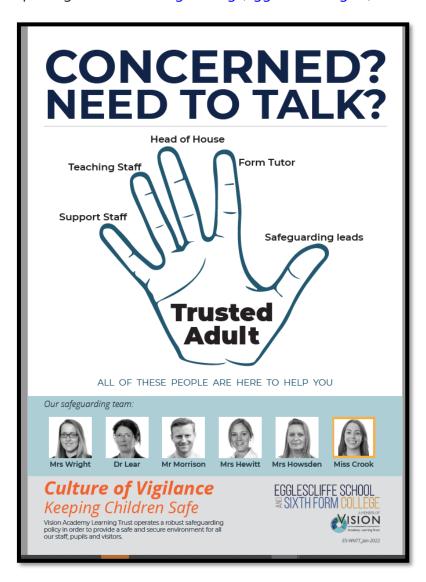
#### **National Smile Month**

Between 15 May and 15 June 2023, the Oral Health Foundation raises awareness of important oral health issues under the theme of brush for better health. For more information visit: <a href="National Smile Month">National Smile Month</a> | Home | Oral Health Foundation (dentalhealth.org)



## **CULTURE OF VIGILANCE AT EGGLESCLIFFE**

The safeguarding section of the school website highlights 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)