

# ESKDALE NEWS

*A place of belonging, a place of inspiration*



Welcome to our Easter 2022 Newsletter. With the lifting of Covid restrictions, it has been a pleasure to give our students the opportunity to take part in more extra-curricular activities.

Our Year 7 students have enjoyed visiting the Danby Moors Centre for British Science Week, while some of our older students have been on a trip to see an acapella choir in Durham. Next term, we will also see the return of our usual Bewerley Park trip for Years 8 and 9.

We hope you enjoy reading about the fun activities and successes our students have enjoyed in the last few months. Have a wonderful Easter holiday.

## Notices and Important Dates

### Important Dates

- Monday 25th April school will re-open for the new term.
- Monday 2nd May is a bank holiday. School will be closed.
- Tuesday 3rd May-Friday 6th May - Year 8 will be visiting Bewerley Park
- Monday 9th May-Thursday 12th May—Year 9 will be visiting Bewerley Park

### Notices

- Our non-uniform day has raised a total of £405.63 for Unicef. Thank you for your generous support.
- Year 11 exams begin in early May. The exam boards have requested that students are available until June 29th 2022.
- Bewerley Park payments must be made in full by Saturday 30th April at the latest. Please contact the school office if you have any concerns about this.
- The school office has ties available to purchase for £7

# British Science Week

Year 7 had a great time celebrating British science week by visiting Danby Lodge on the North Yorkshire Moors. The weather was fine, and we had an amazing day geocaching and investigating our local rivers. The students are a credit to the school, showing their resilience, teamwork and building on their scientific skills.

During Science Week, we also had an outside speaker from Anglo-America come into school to talk to the students about the mine and what its function in our wider world is. We found out why this area is the only place that can produce this fertiliser and what opportunities the mine can provide young people in the area such as apprenticeships or traveling around the world.





## Year 7 Art

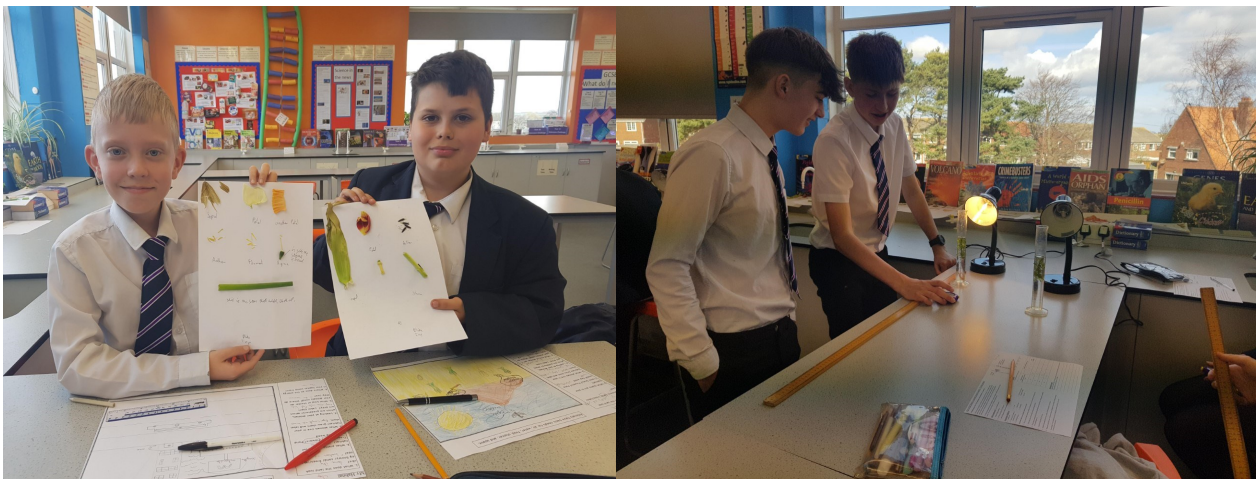
Year 7 started the year by exploring Pixel Art and the work of Chuck Close. They then moved on to creating dazzling fish from recycled materials. There are some great examples of this fun artwork here.



## Science Department

Year 7 have been studying plant reproduction this term, dissecting daffodils and tulips They did really well and thoroughly enjoyed using the dissection equipment.

Year 10 have also been studying plants, investigating the effect of light intensity on photosynthesis in pondweed. They enjoyed their experiment to see the difference in how many bubbles the pondweed produced when the light was closer to it and when it was further away.



# Eco Club Update

Covid has put a halt to many things, but I am so proud of our Eco-school's committee and SPEED groups who have not let this get in the way. We have continued to work towards a greener school and are about to embark on the last step in the campaign to become an Eco-school.

We have won our bronze award

We have placed recycling bins around the school

We have won our silver award

We have made eco-friendly products

We are going for our green flag!!

This term, we have set up a website with more information about our Eco Schools projects here: <https://eskdaleeco.wixsite.com/website>



Our Eco-Club are working hard to ensure that all of our used stationery is getting recycled through a Terracycle project. We get through a lot of pens here at Eskdale, and we recently dropped off a whole carrier bag full of worn out pens!

ERIC are our sustainable business committee. This week they have been busy making FAQ videos to explain how to buy our eco cleaning products. We will let you know as soon as they are ready to view on our website!



# Rotary Club Young Writer Competition

## Eskdale Winners!

We are absolutely delighted to announce that our students have won three prizes in this year's Young Writer Competition. Students aged 7-17 across Yorkshire, Humberside and North Lincolnshire entered.

### Second Place winners

Ellie W, Year 8, whose story was described as *'Convincing and powerful ...'*

Maddie P, Year 8, who wrote a *'heartfelt and honest ...'* piece

### Overall winner

Ellen H, Year 8. The judges' feedback was fabulous:

*'This was a really lovely piece of prose which stood out from the crowd: imaginative, well structured, told a 'story', flowed well and was full of good description'*

*'I liked this story for its unusual and refreshing perspective ... it is a story of optimism and renewal ... a great deal of attention has been paid to the creation of vivid images of nature ... the structure of the story is clear and the resolution at the end offers hope for the environment'*

### Recognised by the judges

Year 7: Joshua W, Ellie-Grace S, Freddy R, Myles R, Jay P, Nyola L, Freya K, Leo J, Liv G, Aaron C, Aysha B, Freddy B, Maddie A, Mason A, Fletch T, Destiny K, Elsie L

Year 8: Maya H, Jayden C, Maddie C, Scarlett E, Trinny F, Maisie G, Faye H, Oliver H, Harley J, Reggie W, India W, Ruby B, Thomas F, Ryan J, Edward M, George S, Regan S, Mackenzie S, Sophia S

Year 9: Dylan S, Rebecca S, Beth W, Violet W, James H

### Highly Commended

Year 7: Katy C

Year 8: Evangeline C, Ellie H, Rohan F, Kirby L, Lillia E

Year 9: Keiron S, Romy W

Congratulations to all our students! We are very proud of the talented writers we have the privilege of teaching!



# The Sports Review

Eskdale Year 9 boys Rugby Team came in 3rd in the Scarborough and District U14s tournament at Malton Rugby Club. The boys were outstanding and beat Malton, Pindar, St Augustine's and Scarborough College during the event.



Earlier this term, Eskdale School hosted the Straws Cup where 13 local primary schools came to compete at football on our school 3G Pitch. Everyone had great fun and it was a great way to connect with schools across Whitby.

# Swimming Champion!

Earlier this month, our very own Esmé Hall, Year 8, won four gold medals and one silver medal at the County Swimming Championships in Northumberland and Durham.

Esmé won the 50m, 100m and 200m breaststroke as well as the 400m individual medley. She came second in the 200m individual medley. She is currently ranked 3rd in Britain in her age group for her 200m breaststroke.



# Eskdale Festival of the Arts

The Eskdale Festival of the Arts last month saw many of our students showcasing their talents and taking part in the Gala Concert on March 12th.

- Ex-student Zach H (Now Y12) won the Frances Quantrill cup for Commitment to the Festival. Zach serves on the Festival committee . He won his piano class and played Debussy's Claire De Lune.
- Ex-student Zoe P (Now Y12) played a beautiful flute solo absolutely brilliantly called 'Hypnosis' by Ian Clarke. She had also won her class.
- Elsie L and Katy C, Year 7, performed an Improvised Free Dance with their dance troupe, MESH Ballet Festival Team, led by our school parent-governor Su Cross-land. MESH were awarded the Barbara Benson-Smith MBE plate for dance.
- Ed B (Y10) won the Young Musician of the Year vase. Ed entered piano, clarinet and singing classes. He also performed with the Esk Valley Concert Band. He won his singing class and the Band won their class. Ed performed a solo, singing 'Panis Angelicus' by Cesar Franck.
- Mrs Edmondson-Preedy played the Saxophone with the Jazz Collective and Clarinet with the Esk Valley Concert Band. Both won their classes in the festival and performed at the gala.

Also playing with the Esk Valley Concert Band were: Ed B (Y10) on Clarinet, Isaac L (Y9) on trumpet, Maddie C (Y11) on Clarinet and Alex H (Y11) on Trombone. Ex students Zoe P and Toby W played the Flute and Trombone respectively.

I am so proud of our students, past and present, who entered the festival. They are wonderful people who give a lot of themselves to music in their communities.

**Mrs Edmondson-Preedy**





## Medical Schools Council Year 11 Summer School

4-6 July | online

11 July | In person visit day

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14<sup>th</sup> March

**Deadline to apply:**  
24<sup>th</sup> April

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