



# NEWSLETTER

THRYBERGH ACADEMY NEWSLETTER - EDITION 9 - JULY 2022

## *Message from - Headteacher*

**Welcome to our summer newsletter, it has been a year full of activity, challenge and opportunity.** You'll see over the coming pages just what's been going on in school since our last newsletter and how we've celebrated our students' successes over the last academic year. Some highlights from this year include;

Students have received first aid training, as well as subject specific scenarios which are sequenced into subjects such as Science, Technology and PE. We want our students to be able to respond to as many different scenarios as possible. Feedback from students and staff has been hugely positive and we hope to extend this in the coming term to include parents and members of the community. We've had reports from students that they have used their newly learnt skills in real life - which is a huge positive.

In the past few weeks our students have been recognised through a series of events celebrating personal, pastoral and academic achievements. We held our 13th Annual Sports Awards evening. It was fantastic to see the community joining us in this celebration of success.

We've also celebrated pastoral and academic success through Awards Assemblies. We were delighted that many parents and carers were able to join us for this and see their children thrive. This will become an annual event that we would love to grow and see more families there to celebrate with us.

On Tuesday 12th July some of our students took part in WPT's Sports Day at Wickersley. We had some brilliant results including winning the Y8 rounders tournament. Well done everyone!

Looking forward to September, we're pleased to announce that learning to play an instrument will be a key entitlement as part of our music lessons. Students will experience 40 minutes per week of small group tuition. It's our aim that all students will be able to play an instrument by the end of key stage 3. This is a hugely ambitious target and it demonstrates our commitment to ensuring students are able and qualified.

We have also welcomed Y6 during a 3 and a half week transition to Thrybergh Academy. Students are now fully settled into the 'Thrybergh Way' and they can hit the ground running in September. Well done, Y6!

Finally, some information about September. Please remember that our school day is changing. School will start at 8:45am (students should be in school for 8:40 at the latest) and will end at 3:10pm. We will be open on Friday 2nd September for Y7 and Y11 students, all other students will start on Monday 5th September.

**I hope you all have a restful summer holiday. We look forward to seeing you all again in September.**

## BRILLIANT CLUB

Congratulations to all of our students who have taken part and passed the assessment in the Brilliant Club this year.

They attended a graduation event at The University of Sheffield and met student ambassadors, walked around campus and asked some really insightful questions.

### Well done to;

Ruby Duke, Brandon Williams, Jack Atlas, Mashanti Manungo, Rebekah Gray, Declan Barker, Milly Ogden, Eve Cousins, Skirmante Petruseviciute, Amelia Garnett, Izabela Sikorska.



**More information on the Brilliant Club can be found at <https://thebrilliantclub.org/about/>**

Our students have had the amazing opportunity to be flag bearers and ball girls at the Women's Euros at the New York Stadium. They participated in their first match on Sunday (10th July) and will participate in future matches on 14th, 18th, 23rd July.



## HEADS OF YEAR - UPDATE

Mr McHale - As we near the end of another whirlwind 12 months we now sadly have to say goodbye to our oldest year group in school. They have had to overcome some massive challenges in the past 2 years but have done so showing amazing resilience and true maturity. Their conduct throughout the exams in recent weeks was exemplary and now it's time to sit back, breathe and wait for those results to come in.

Whilst a few will find the next months hard they are all ready for the next chapter in their lives and we wish them all the best in whatever it is they have chosen to pursue. To help celebrate their time at Thrybergh the pupils had their end of year Prom which was held at Aston Hall Hotel. They all looked absolutely stunning in what turned out to be a brilliant night, one which those attending will remember forever. Watching a dance off between staff and pupils will definitely be a memory I won't ever forget! Well done class of 2022 and we'll see you all on results day.



The Year 10s have also once again had a brilliant year. They too have had a lot of challenges to overcome but have passed with flying colours. They have recently smashed their end of year exams, both in results and behaviour, displaying a great level of maturity throughout. This will put them in good stead ready for next year and give them a solid foundation to build on in what will be their most important year in education to date.

Outside the classroom there has also been some notable successes with a huge congratulations going to Amelia Horton and Lucas McLean for winning the Sportsman and Sportswoman of the year for 2022. Regan Kidd has also represented his country in both roller and ice hockey which is an unbelievable achievement.

**Well done to all on another positive year and I'll see you back here in September ready for that last big push to your exams!**



# ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to the following pupils for getting 100% attendance for the year. An amazing achievement, especially during the pandemic.

## 100% - Attendance

<b>Y7</b>	<b>Y8</b>	<b>Y9</b>
<b>Jon- Ashley Brown</b>	<b>Danielle Osborne</b>	<b>Joseph Ripley</b>
<b>Alfie Manwaring</b>	<b>Leanna Sludden</b>	<b>Amber Twigg</b>
<b>Lewis Monaghan</b>	<b>Jessica Twigg</b>	<b>Ryan Wagstaff</b>
<b>Zara Pinkney</b>	<b>Y9</b>	<b>Y10</b>
<b>Goda Simoliunaite</b>	<b>Ethan Binks</b>	<b>Helena Horton</b>
<b>Jensen Tunstill</b>	<b>Lewis Cox-Craig</b>	<b>Milly Miles</b>
<b>Erin Wortley</b>	<b>Immogen Myers</b>	



## ATTENDANCE TROPHY WINNERS

**Half Term Trophy 9C - 91.02% attendance**

**Term trophy 9C - 92.72% attendance**

**Year Trophy 7B - 91.47% attendance**

# ENGLISH

We have come to the end of another busy year in the English department and we are really proud of how hard the students have worked.

They have taken risks and risen to the challenge. We have finished the year off with Y7s studying Historical Hidden Voices, Y8s studying Myth & Legends, Y9s studying The Crucible and Y10s completing their English Language Paper 2 mock exam.

In September, the English department is introducing a new and exciting curriculum, where students will study some new and exciting texts.

**We hope that you all have a restful summer in the sunshine.**

# HUMANITIES

It has been a fantastic year in Humanities! Firstly a big well done to all our Historians, Geographers and Social Scientists for their hard work this year in their lessons. We have watched you develop new skills and knowledge that will continue to grow as you move through school!

A group of Y8 Geographers had the opportunity to complete a workshop with an engineer. Students had to help someone charge their mobile phone using only the items in their backpack. The visitor was blown away with the creative thinking of our students. Students had to charge a phone using an orange, paper clip, some coins and a chocolate bar wrapper! A huge shout out to Grace Casey and Tylor Wardle for their out of the box thinking during the session!

Our Y9 Historians have been busy learning all about the changes and continuations of society in the last 100 years. They have been able to explore each decade and discover how and why things change to make the world the way it is now. Students have been loving the 1960's looking at Elvis Presley and the Civil Rights Movement and have been baffled by the development of the very first PC computer system. We have also talked about History that they have lived through such as Covid 19, Afghanistan and the current crisis in the Ukraine! We are very excited to see these Historians hit the ground running as GCSE students in september.

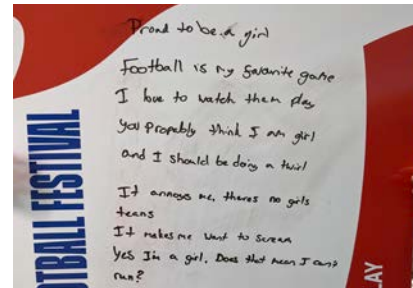
**A huge well done once again to everyone in Humanities, we hope you all have an amazing summer holiday and we look forward to seeing even more fantastic work next year.**

## SCIENCE

In May a top team of Year 9 students were selected to take part in Rotherham's STEM Football Festival, held in conjunction with the England Lions' Team

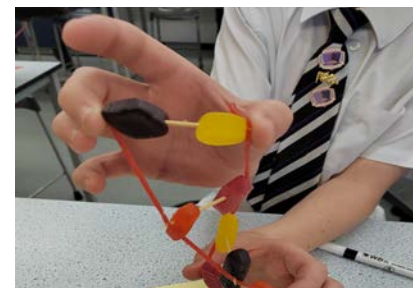
The group selected were a mixture of both girls and boys with interests in both sports and science. The day consisted of finding out how science is used in the physical training and mental well being of athletes and how in the future we can break down the barriers to get more girls into sports like football.

The Thrybergh Science team did us proud, producing a wonderful poem about the challenges girls face in getting involved in football - a very well done to all students involved.



In June Year 8 were visited by the Science Research team at Sheffield Hallam University to help in taking samples of soil from the local area for a South Yorkshire-wide study on the impacts of industry on land in the last 250 years.

Every student in Year 8 had the opportunity to find out how real life university researchers work, taking samples out in the field and we eagerly await the analysis results!



Mrs Martin's Year 8 Students have been learning about DNA, what it is, who discovered it and what it looks like. We made models and then extracted DNA from Kiwi Fruit.

## EQUALITY & DIVERSITY GROUP

This year has been the first full year for Thrybergh Academies 'Equality and Diversity Group.' Our mission is to educate, support and create an atmosphere of respect and tolerance in our school that makes every student feel safe, valued and able to be themselves.

We now have members in every year group who can be identified by their 'E&D' pin badges on their ties. Across the year we have delivered assemblies about Black History Month, LGBTQ+ History month and other key moments to celebrate our fantastically diverse school!

Our favourite moment was our Diversity Disco to celebrate the end of Equality Month 2022! We invited students from all year groups to join us for games, dancing and a celebration of equality month.

We had nearly 100 students join us and saw lots of embarrassing dance moves... especially from Mr Shaw!

**We are looking forward to organising more events like this one next year...**



During the past week, we have had the Diana Award in school delivering anti-bullying training to secondary and primary school students.

On Tuesday, 12 students all became anti-bullying ambassadors for our school. They all worked incredibly hard, got involved, met new people and started to create a plan of action for preventing and dealing with bullying in our school. This training is only the beginning of the incredible work these students will do as they begin to make a difference both in school and the community.





MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

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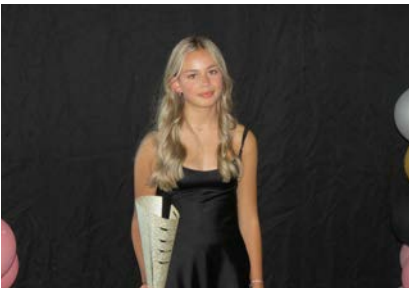
This term Y7/8 students are about to embark on their final project of the year. They have made good progress and some really promising IT talent has stood out. They have completed a range of units from programming to image editing.

Y9 students have also been developing their skills throughout the year sampling a range of skills from IT to Business and Film with each half term having a different focus. They have picked their options and from September will begin their GCSE course. Y11 students have been putting in their final preparations for their iMedia exam.

PE

Congratulations to all of our 13th Annual Sports Awards winners. It was great to see everyone back in school celebrating their sporting successes throughout the year.

A huge well done to Amelia Horton and Lucas McLean who won the coveted title of Sports Woman and Man of the year. There was also a fitting tribute to Melvin Palmer who passed away in December 2021. Melvin was a PE teacher for 34 years at Thrybergh Academy before going to work as a Senior Lecturer at Sheffield Hallam University. A memorial plaque was presented to all in attendance.



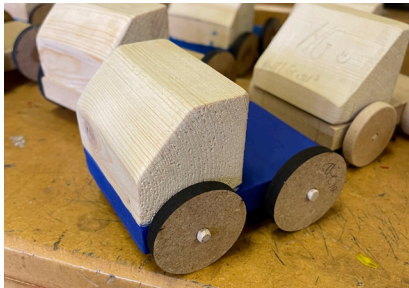
A huge ‘Thank You’ to Miss Crowley who is leaving Thrybergh after 18 years of service. PE staff presented her with a personalised whistle as a small token of our appreciation.



TECHNOLOGY

KS3 DT pupils have been working hard making Wooden Toy Trucks. They have worked independently and safely using the different machines and equipment, and have been manufactured to an excellent standard. They are now underway manufacturing an audio amplifier boombox, so get ready for the music!

KS4 Construction Groups have been undertaking their actual exams this term, with all pupils taking part in a wealth of revision activities. Mrs Heafield’s Y10 group had a break in revision to demolish the previous years BBQs and reclaim all the bricks ready to build their own BBQs in the next few weeks. Fingers crossed the sun stays out!



SEND- UPDATE

As part of the staff’s continued focus on removing barriers, staff have received SEND CPD throughout this year.

This half term’s focus was ADHD to ensure all staff understand this medical condition and how to support our students within the classroom.

## EXPRESSIVE ARTS

This term, panto auditions were in full swing with students from Y7-10 auditioning for parts in 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. The talent on show was fantastic to see and it means the pantomime is already shaping up to be a brilliant performance.

The cast announcements will be made very soon and the official dates for the panto will also be announced within the coming weeks.

### Y6 Transition Evening

As part of the Y6 Transition Evening, Y6 students took part in a 20 minute taster exploring the stimulus 'Outer Space' through drama games and techniques. The students and parents responded brilliantly and the Student Ambassadors representing the school helped with all aspects of the evening. In particular, Tyler Hart and Sophie Birkin assisted during the drama workshops and helped the Y6's when devising a tableau as a group. They stepped in to help without any direction and were a credit to the school.

### Film Studies

Film studies students this term will be planning, shooting and editing their own horror film trailers, with a planned screening during the last lesson - popcorn included! The first lesson has entailed researching and analysing a selection of horror film trailer styles from 'The Conjuring' (2013) to 'Alien' (1979). We look forward to seeing what horrifying trailers each group produces.

### Drama Club

Drama Club continues to run on a weekly basis along with Film Club on a monthly basis. We are currently awaiting the release of 'Sonic the Hedgehog 2' on streaming sites with, hopefully, a planned screening before the end of term.



FILM CLUB - COMING SOON

### Y10 Drama students

Have begun preparing for their GCSE devised performances by exploring and creating ideas based on the 4 stimulus provided. The groups so far have come up with a host of imaginative ideas and concepts, as well as listing the drama techniques they plan to include in their performance.

## EXAMS/REVISION

Well done to all of our Y10 and Y11 students who have conducted themselves so well during the examination season. **Results for Y11 will be available to collect from the main hall at school on Thursday 25 August 2022 10am-12pm.**

Staff will be available in school during this time to deal with any specific exam / careers related guidance you may require. If you cannot get into school to collect your results you have the following options:

### Post Home:

Please email [exams@thrybergh.com](mailto:exams@thrybergh.com) to request this option- you will be asked to provide an A3 stamped and addressed envelope before the end of the summer term.

### Authorise someone to collect on your behalf:

Please email [exams@thrybergh.com](mailto:exams@thrybergh.com) from your school account with a letter naming the person you authorise to collect your results. This can be a friend, relative, neighbour. On results day the nominated person MUST bring a form of ID to confirm who they are. Results will not be given out without your written consent.

### Collect at a later date:

Collect from reception when school reopens in September.

### Y11 EXAM RESULTS

Thur 25 August  
10am-12pm

## CAREERS

Y11 Please keep us updated with your next steps after school, especially if things have changed with your Post-16 Destination.

**Please keep in touch with Mrs Leaning**  
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HAVE A **GOOD BREAK!**