



## FERRYHILL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## **OUTWARD BOUND ADVENTURE**

From Monday the 15th April to Friday the 19th April, 48 students from Year 7 & 8 travelled from Ferryhill to Ullswater in the Lake Distract for a week of adventure with the Outward Bound Company.

Throughout the week the students completed a range of activities, these ranged from the 'Jog & Dip' where the students had to jog and then jump into the lake, rowing and kayaking across Ullswater lake, climbing to the peak of Gowbarrow Fell which stands at 481m high while witnessing the amazing views of the surrounding areas and seeing Aria Force waterfalls.

Also, the students went gorge walking and climbed up a waterfall leading to Angle Tarn. A highly successful week in which all students enjoyed their visit to the Lake District even though it was tiring at times.

A huge well done to all!









#### **FUNDRAISING SUCCESS**

3 Peaks Challenge - Fundraising Success

Spencer in year 10 and his family team took part in the 3 Peaks Challenge over the weekend and it was an amazing experience!

Spencer pushed himself out of his comfort zone to do this, it was both physically and mentally challenging for all involved.

Spencer's fundraising will help support his volunteering experience in Zanzibar next year.

## Well done to everyone!









## TOMBOLA PRIZE REQUEST

#### for Zanzibar Fundraising Event

Students travelling to Zanzibar will be hosting their next fundraising event in July. They are hoping to have a tombola stall, therefore asking friends and family of the school if they have anything they would like to kindly donate?

Donations can be left at reception or students can leave them with Mrs Langdale in room 11.

Thank you in advance for your support.

# FERRYHILL SCHOOL LEAVERS HOODIE



Year 11 Hoodies now available to order through Price & Buckland.

Prices start from £18.95.

Please visit the website before the 13th May to place an order.

#### SANDWICH ORDERING SERVICE

Ordering sandwiches at break for lunchtime – if there is a particular sandwich you would like for lunchtime you can order it at breaktime from the servery area. Then, at lunchtime, you just need to ask at the servery area for your sandwich.

## CHARTWELLS' SCHOOL MEALS SERVICE

If your food is not as you expect it to be at any of our meal service times at both the main school site and Gateway at break or lunch time, please return it back to the servery area and either a replacement or a refund will be given.

#### **EQUIPMENT**

Any equipment ordered via ClassCharts can be collected on a morning from Miss Anderson's office along the English corridor. There will no longer be anyone at the PE cupboard on a morning to distribute it.





#### **INTERNET SAFETY TIP**

If you are being bullied via mobile or internet – TELL AN ADULT, do not keep it to yourself, no matter how bad it may seem – It CAN be solved!

#### FOOD UNION EAT DIFFERENT



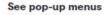
Your NEW menu is now LIVE and we have something different to tantalise the taste buds of all students, each and every day!

Our spring/summer menu is packed with deliciousness, including a tasty Burger Bar, lovingly Loaded Nachos, customisable Mac Shack, Hot Dog Heroes, delicious Hot Deli, on-trend Street Food, flavoursome Friday Favourites, plus plenty more — we can't walt to see you at the counter.

#### POP-UPS A PLENTY

To add even more choice to students' appetites, we have a whole term of pop-ups for you to look forward to as well!

There will be a May of Mexican Mayhem, Street Food specialities in June, and we will end the school year on a foodle high with The All American.









## **ENERGISE**TO REVISE

It's important students fuel their body correctly when they are revising, as this can take a toll on energy levels. Feelings of hunger create brain fog, whilst being overfull results in sluggishness, both resulting in them not performing their best. Make sure meals are balanced with:

- 1 third carbohydrates
- 1 third fruit/vegetables
- 1 third dairy/protein/fats

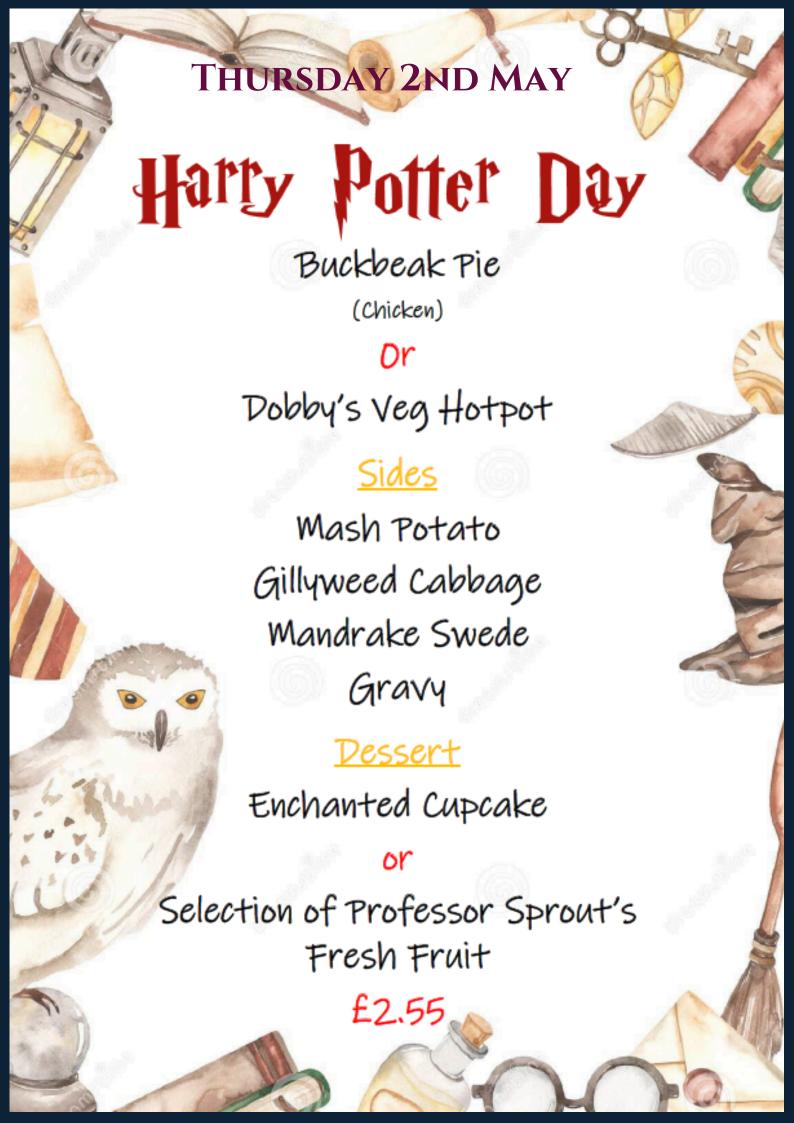
#### AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Monday - Dodgeball

Wednesday - Football & Netball
Wednesday - Reading Club
Wednesday - Board Games Club
Wednesday - English Club 3:00-3:30pm
Wednesday - Film Club 3pm-4pm Room 6







#### NEW PERIOD 6 TIMETABLE

#### Week A

#### Week B

MONA	THECA	WED A	THURS A	CDL A
MON A	TUES A	WED A	THURS A	FRI A
Mix	OPTION C	SCI	Mix	Option A
E1: BCL	Eng SSH	T1: JJO/SKN/LDU	T1: VWI	Hist JFR
Rm 6	Rm 8	Rm 14	Rm 9	Rm 3
E2: KCA	H&S CHA	D1: JJO/SKN/SMO	E2: LGI	Hist SHA
Rm 1	Rm 9	Rm 6	Rm 8	Rm 1
A1: MCG	Phot TSU	D2: JJO/SMO	A1: BCL	Geog PCO
Rm 7	Rm 12	Rm 3	Rm 6	Rm2
A2: JEM/KMC	Sports PSN	D3: KBR	C1: CWL	
Rm 9	Rm 6	Rm 2	Rm 7	
C1: KMC/JEM	Art NCA	D4: KBR	WR: SHA	
Rm 8	Rm Art	Rm 2	Rm 2	
C2: EAG	ICT DLE			
Rm 2	Rm 7			
WR: RMI	French CJO			
Rm 3	Rm 3			

MON B	TUES B	WED B	THURS B	FRI B
Mix	OPTION B	Option A		Mix
E1: NDO	Eng SSH	ICT DLE		E1: MCG
Rm 2	Rm 8	Rm 7		Rm 7
E2: DHO/EAG	Hist SHA	H&S CHA		D1: SMO
Rm8	Rm 1	Rm 9		Rm 14
A1: KCA	Hist JFR	T1: VWI		D2: KBR
Rm 1	Rm 3	Rm 1		Rm 2
A2: CWL	Geog PCO			
Rm 7	Rm 2			
C1: RMI	Sports PSN			
Rm3	Rm 6			
WR: LGI	Art TSU			
Rm 9	Rm Art			
	Photo NCA			
	Rm 12			

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Can I take my child on holiday during term time?

Parents should plan their holidays around school breaks and avoid requesting leaves of absence for holidays unless it is unavoidable.

As leave of absence is only granted in exceptional circumstances, it is unlikely that your child's headteacher will agree a leave of absence for a family holiday. If permission is refused and you keep your child off school on the days requested, you are likely to be committing an offence and be issued a fixed penalty notice or be prosecuted by your local authority.



#### **VACANCY - CLEANER**



12.5 hours per week (whole time permanent)

Hours of work during term time 2.50pm – 5.20pm each day. Different hours of work times apply during school holidays

Grade 1 (Point 3) £11.78 per hour.

Further details and an application form are available from the school office and are also available on the school website, ferryhill.school following the link to Vacancies.

For an informal discussion about the post please contact Louise Edgar (CFO).

Closing date: 29th April 2024

#### SCIENCE AND MATHS TUTORING SESSIONS

Ferryhill School Science Department are very excited to announce an exclusive tutoring program that can significantly boost your Year 11 and Year 10's child's exam results in Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Maths as a part of our RAAC catch up strategy with the help of Kay Science.

**Start Date**: Begins on Monday, 5th February, with 4 weekly lessons in Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and Maths.

**How to Join**: Students use their Kay Science account login and password which is both their first name and last name in lowercase letters with the number 400 after. Eg. joebloggs400. Once logged in students click their name and then tuition timetable which will be a green button to start the live lesson.

**Timing of Lessons**: Lessons are from Monday to Thursday, 5:30pm to 6:30pm. Triple Science content specific lessons will start from Monday 4th of March at 7:00pm to 8:00pm.

**Scheme of Work**: Meticulously planned to go over the key content likely to appear in exams.

**Expert Teachers**: Led by three experienced teachers from London high schools with a combined 20+ years of experience and a track record of high pupil attainment.

**Direct Instruction & Feedback**: We will explain the content using dual coding under a visualiser, give students an opportunity to attempt exam questions, and then provide feedback on how to get top marks.

**Optional Homework**: There will be an opportunity for students to complete homework after each lesson.

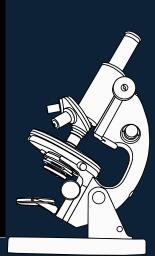
Online tutoring sessions are **FREE** of charge for all Ferryhill School pupils (typically one hour of online tutoring can cost anywhere between £25 – 40 an hour.) This is a fantastic opportunity for our Year 11 and Year 10 students who have been affected by our current RAAC situation to help them get the grades they truly deserve. Please see the proposed weekly schedule attached.

Mr S.J Knaggs (Chemistry Lead)

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Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Week (w/b)	Biology	Chemistry	Physics	Maths
Week 1 5th Feb	Enzymes	Periodic Table	Renewable & Non- Renewable Res	Primes, Factors and Multiples / Standard Form
Week 2 12th Feb	Plants	Separation Techniques	Spec Heat Cap/Latent Heat	Percentages
Week 3 19th Feb	Photosynthesis	Bonding	Electricity	Algebraic Fundamentals
Week 4 26th Feb	Respiration	Groups of the Periodic Table	Electricity	Factorising / Sequences
Week 5 4th Mar	Circulatory System Triple: Aseptic tech/disks	Key Calculations Triple: Calculations	Particle Model Triple: Electrical Charges	Working with Equations
Week 6 11th Mar	Health and Disease <u>Triple</u> : Plant diseases	Acids + Alkalis <u>Triple</u> : triple content	Atom & Decay <u>Triple</u> : Gas Pressure	Formulae / Simultaneous Equations
Week 7 18th Mar	Reflex Arc & Glucose <u>Triple</u> : The Eye	Electrolysis <u>Triple</u> : Tests for ions	Forces <u>Triple</u> : Using Radiation	Working with Ratios
Week 8 25th Mar	Controlling Fertility <u>Triple</u> : Auxins/Thermoreg	Reactivity & Equilibrium <u>Triple</u> : Organic Chem	Hooke's Law <u>Triple</u> : Moments, Gears	Ratios in Context



### PARENT NOTICES

## FERRYHILL SITE STUDENT COLLECTION

When collecting or dropping off a student during the school hours of 8:30am – 2:45pm, can we ask that parents/carers come to main reception. The PE entrance used by students will be locked throughout the day and will not be manned by staff.

## GATEWAY SITE STUDENT COLLECTION

For parents picking up their child from the Upper School site, please do not park directly outside of the building as the school buses need space to park. By parking there it prevents students being able to board the buses safely. Please park on the opposite side to the Upper School building. Thank you for your support with this matter.

#### PE KIT REMINDER

Can we please remind parents that students must have their PE kits in school on their PE day. Please remind your child to check their timetable daily.

#### **LOLLIPOPS**

Lollipops are not allowed in school, they are a potential choking hazard and if found will be confiscated.

#### BEHAVIOUR ON BUSES

Please ensure students are aware that their behaviour while waiting for and while travelling on the school bus is subject to the schools consequence system.

## RECORDING ABSENCES/ATTENDANCE

All student absences must be reported to school by 8:30am each day. This can be done by contacting (01740) 651554. Please then select **option 1** to be directed to Student Support. If there is no one available to take your call, please leave a message on the answer machine provided. Alternatively, you can email any attendance related queries to attendance@ferryhill.school.

#### **LATE BUSES**

Please note late buses will not run for afterschool clubs. Your child will be expected to make their own way home.

#### PARENT/CARER PARKING

Can parents/carers refrain from dropping students off directly into the main school car park on a morning amongst the parked cars. For those cars that are dropping children off they need to drive down the bus lanes and drop their children off at the bottom of the bus lanes and directly onto the path so children are not crossing the car park road in front of traffic including the buses. This is a safety issue and we want to avoid children being at risk from being knocked down. Similarly students should not be entering/leaving site on foot directly from the car park gates or the gates behind the bungalows near the tennis courts as these gates are for vehicle access only and not for student pedestrian access. The pedestrian gate is the gate that students should be entering the site from, again for safety reasons, at the front of the school down from the bottom car park gates.

A reminder that parents/carers should not drop their child off via the road behind the bungalows but rather via the main car park one-way drop off system as detailed above.

At the end of the school day parents are not to park in the school car park or enter the site on foot to collect their child unless they have been provided with a permit from school. Due to ongoing works around the area there is a designated pedestrian exit to ensure students can leave the site safely. Thanks for your support observing these safety procedures.