

NENEGATE NEWS

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The end of a successful week

It has been a great first full week of the summer term. The sun has been out and it has been wonderful to be on the field at breaktimes, watching the staff vs students football match and chatting to other students. Some of the students are even going to brave the icy waters of the Lido for today's activities, which is always a sign that summer is nearly here!

I have been very impressed with the students this week. Many are beginning to increase their timetabled hours and have been coping well with the changes to routines and new aspects of the curriculum. Well done to all and keep up the good work.

Boxercise

This week a number of our groups started Boxercise, provided by local company Youth Dreams Project. We are hoping to embed this activity within our curriculum longer term and also begin closer working with YDP, who have worked with many students in Peterborough over the last few years. Elvis was our coach and we were proud that he was in the building!



Home Testing

Please continue testing at home! There is still a big push to get as many students (and indeed adults) to take lateral flow tests twice weekly. Thank you to those students and parents who are doing this.



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Celebrating the Queen's Birthday

Our family liaison officer, Mrs Martin, has links with West Raven Community café, with some of our students visiting there regularly. Mrs Martin occasionally meets families there and some of our students have completed work experience. We were lucky enough to be invited to their party to celebrate the Queen's birthday on Wednesday. We took six students, all of whom represented our school incredibly well. Students sat in the sunshine and had afternoon tea. We were even lucky enough to meet the local MP, Paul Bristow, and the boys took the opportunity to ask him some probing questions about local politics and his car! Thank you to Miss Martin for organising and to Maccy, Taylor, Callum, Riley and Kyle T-P for being such good Ambassadors for our school.



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Head Teacher's Star of the Week



This week my star of the week is **Jamie**. Since the start of this term there have been a couple of situations in which Jamie has shown great kindness and care for others. I

have been impressed with his sense of responsibility and his innate moral compass. Well done Jamie.

Staff Hero of the Week

Thank you this week to Mrs Martin, our Family Liaison Officer. Mrs Martin does a lot of work with some of our learners on bespoke timetables and links up with different families. This week she arranged our visit to West Raven Café and I am very grateful to her for the efforts she goes to support students and their families.



Catherine Wilson

Key Stage 2

We are excited to be starting our new Topics this term! We have already started looking at the Tudor dynasty and all the horrible things that Henry VIII got up to. This term we have also started going to ACE, which we all love and is becoming the highlight of our week. We now stay until 2:30pm on a Friday and we get choice time, where there are loads of fun things for us to choose and try.

Next week some of us will get to do our Bikeability course and hopefully we will prove that we are safe on the roads and can achieve our certificates.

Student of the Week: **Nicholas**

Key Stage 3

This week the Falcons' competitive spirit really shone through when we played a round of golf on the school field! There were some really classy shots and Aironas reached half way to China with his missed shots cutting through the field... Well done boys, You'll be on the PGA tour soon enough!



"In a topic lesson we are learning about ancient Greece and we looked at Greek vases and we designed our own ancient Greek vase decoration"



Taylor

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Students of the Week:

Taylor, Rocky, Riley

Other Awards:

For overcoming barriers to reading: Nathan

For cooking independently: Archie

Key Stage 4

Bulldogs

Kyle was chosen to attend the Queen's birthday tea party. He went to the Bretton Centre with Miss Martin and had a lovely time.

"I have been nominated for the school council. I am now going to make positive changes to the school."

Jamie

This week boxing started. We all gave it a go and thought it was great!

VWs

"This week I have enjoyed my Music lessons and planning my trips. I also have enjoyed writing my story for my English GCSE. Football at breaktime is also fun to play with the teachers and students. Mr Neesham is a right try-hard though."

Josh

"This week we have looked at our tutor trips for when we leave. We have come up with an exciting trip to a Safari Park I hope the monkeys come into the mini bus so we can shake their hands."

"I'm excited to hear that The Pantry is opening this week and that I get my brownie back so I don't have to wake up so early to make my packed lunch."

Myles

School Council Meeting

Our school council met on Monday. We had a conversation about:

- Good things about the school and areas for development
- Breakfast and how we should spend the Kelloggs £1000 grant
- Activities at break and lunchtimes
- Charity fundraising and charitable acts

The students have a list of things to discuss with their tutor groups and will report back at our next meeting on Tuesday 4th May. The school council for this term is:

Maccy

Jamie

Taylor

McKenzie

Callum

Paul

Kyle I

Charity Collection

The school council agreed on Monday to support Mr MacDonald with his fundraising initiative for those affected by the volcanic eruption in Soufriere, St Vincent. Many families have been displaced and we are collecting:

- Non perishable food items
- Toiletries
- Sanitary hygiene products
- Small toys and activities for children

There will be donation boxes in tutor rooms from Monday and we would love it if every student could bring on at least one small item.

