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THE STUDENT-LED NEWSPAPER OF EGGLESCLIFFE SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

FORMS ARE PACKED FOR CHRISTMAS COLLECTION



GIVING BACK to the community is always important at Egglescliffe but never more so than at Christmas.

Students are currently bringing in a different item each day as part of a Reverse Advent Calendar campaign.

Each form group has a collection point where the students put their items, such as food, toiletries and other essentials as well as festive treats.

Once complete, the items will be donated to the community through a food bank collection in support of Feeding Families.

There will be a prize at the end of term for the form group that has collected the most.

On behalf of the whole school and sixth form, we'd like to wish everyone the very best for the festive season.

RESILIANCE AND TEAMWORK AS Y8s ENJOY E-SPORTS AND F1 TOUR

"What an amazing group of kids."

HIGH PRAISE came from the Williams F1 staff who treated our Year 8 students to an F1 inspired STEM event at their factory in Grove, Oxfordshire, in October.

The group of thirty-six students stayed overnight at a Youth Hostel in Streatley on Thames and were all a credit to themselves, their families and the school.

Students showed wonderful teamwork, resilience and problem solving during the engineering challenge where the students learned about composite materials and then had to build a nose cone capable of withstanding a collision in order to protect the driver.

After lunch, they were pitted against each other in the amazing esports centre, racing each other on F1 24.

The group was then treated to a tour of the Williams museum where they learned about the Williams team and over 50 years of F1 history.

Mr Fairbairn, Subject Leader of Business, STEM and Enterprise, said, "The students were all amazing, so enthusiastic and a pleasure throughout the whole event."



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All the latest from the Sixth Form and Student Union on p9



Duke of Edinburgh Bronze students take to the fields.

See p8 for more Enrichment news For the students, by the students...

WELCOME by MR J MORRISON

A WARM WELCOME to everyone for another year at Egglescliffe School and Sixth Form.

We're delighted to announce that our school newspaper 'Egg Soup' has been renewed for a third consecutive year, and we're kicking the 2024-25 academic year off with our 4th Issue.

In Issue 4 we'll be covering rewards, achievements, trips, enrichment and much more! However, 'Egg Soup' would not be possible without a fantastic group of students who write our articles, who work alongside an amazing photography department.

We're also happy to say that we'll continue our work with Gillie Hatton who has once again kindly offered to help distribute and design our newspaper. We're hopeful local businesses will be able to advertise in each issue we produce.

In other news, Andrew Hatton has been appointed the Chair of the PTA (Parent Teacher Association), and has already met our writers and photographers to discuss the progression of the paper and its long-term vision.

'Egg Soup' also continues to have the full backing by our Head of School Mr Gittins, who has said he is excited to see what we can produce this year!

Happy reading, Mr Morrison

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MINI MCBUSFACE ARRIV

MINI MCBUSFACE, our brand new Peugeot Boxer minibus, has arrived!

Mr S Wilkinson, Duke of Edinburgh Manager and Careers (CIAG) Leader, said, "Our twelve year old minibus has served us well taking thousands of students all over the country for sporting, music, engineering, DofE and university events among others.

This new bus allows us to guarantee those opportunities for another decade and with its new specifications can be driven by more of our staff opening up greater opportunities.

"Even better than that, it comes equipped with reversing sensors so we're no longer reliant on the kids in the back row to park it

Mr Wilkinson added, "The vehicle's maiden journey supported the PE team and students from Years 7 to 10 to the cross country qualifiers which means its second journey will probably be to the wash!"

Thank you goes to the PTA and to the Trust for generously financing this important asset for the school.

PTA UPDATE

EXCITING CHANGES in structure and future aims were discussed at the recent PTA meeting.

Andy Hatton MBE, former Army marine engineer and experienced programme manager, has taken on the position of Chair. Mrs D Child, geography teacher and former PTA Chair, has taken on the role of Treasurer.

At the meeting, Mrs Child gave a Treasurer's report, which was followed by a report from Deputy Head Teacher Mr Henderson.

Mr Hatton then led a discussion on the format of the PTA going forward with an emphasis on taking the PTA in the direction of a programme board to support projects run by the students.

Several requests for funding from the PTA were discussed including support for murals by the Art Department, support for EGG SOUP and support for a trailer for the new minibus.

It was confirmed that the PTA will not be holding a Christmas Market this year, but will work with the students to put on a bigger festive event for 2025.

The PTA is looking for support from staff, students and parents. The next meeting is on Wed 15th January 2025, 6pm, Sixth Form Common Room. Email egglescliffe.pta@gmail.com

INTRODUCING OUR NEW EDITOR IN CH



by **ROSE D**

AS OF the new school year, I would like to introduce myself as the new Editor in Chief of the Egg Soup Newspaper.

I am very grateful to take over from the brilliant Fenella, who was the last EiC. I hope I can do as brilliantly as she did.

Now back to me... I am Rose

I am in Year 13 at Egglescliffe Sixth Form and have been at Egglescliffe since starting Secondary in 2018.

I have always enjoyed giving back to the school in many ways and would love to share a few of my credentials with you!

In Secondary, I started as a student leader, and I have been able to organise charity events alongside the Trussel Trust at Christmas time and be involved in many events such as Andy Aldrin coming to visit the school in 2019 and many other little occasions.

In the end, I won the Head Teacher's award, which I was slightly surprised about but very grateful for!

Then in Sixth Form, I wanted

to carry on giving back so I got rewarding positions that I have involved with the amazing Sixth Form Societies and became about it. a member of FEMSOC. The Societies include the BAME Events Committee, Society, Christian Union, Islamic Society, Feminist Society and Egglescliffe Student Union.

"I want to strive to make the societies more known and attended because all the leaders put so much effort into the sessions..."

I became the President of ESU in the middle of Year 12 and have been ever since.

This has been one of the most me!

had, and I am very passionate

I want to strive to make the societies more known and attended because all the leaders put so much effort into the sessions and it's what helped me win the Doug Devey award in Year 12.

We are currently planning a Prom with the events and Prom committee, which I have loved so

And finally, we are aiming to install a water fountain in Sixth Form by the end of the year.

Overall, I hope I can be a good Editor in Chief for Egg Soup and I am hoping to leave with an impact in my last year at Egglescliffe.

Thank you so much for having

REWARDS GALORE!

by **HEIDI M**

AS THE NEW school year began, the first half term was full of amazing awards and hard work from every student!

Over 225,000 positive points were logged onto class charts. The students managed to receive over 1200 golden tickets, and they all received their sweets/chocolates at break time.

As well as this, over 600 postcards were sent home praising the students who had been the best they could be during lessons.

During our final week, we held our first superstar showcase of the year. This is an hour where the students who have done outstanding class work are rewarded with prizes! 80 students were invited to the superstar showcase. During assemblies, 60 students were rewarded with cash prizes. Finally, our three Year 11 pledge to prom winners were rewarded with money for the number of ticks they had on their cards.

We are looking forward to celebrating more hard work and dedication in the next half term with a Year 7 gingerbread competition in the run-up to Christmas break. And both KS3 and KS4 Christmas rewards afternoons!

HEALTH

This term Year 12 Mental Health Peer Educators have successfully delivered four weeks of Mental Health Awareness lessons to the Year 7 tutor groups.

The Year 12 students have worked really hard to get trained up ready to teach and adapt resources to suit their groups.

They have collaborated brilliantly together to deliver lessons with engaging enthusiasm and verve.



HE SUMMER COLOUR RI

A WARM SUMMER breeze wasn't the only thing in the air as on the 17th July, colours run to celebrate pride month.

Flags were raised, and so were spirits as the runners raced and sunglasses and wear their

as students attended a colour teachers tossed powdered paint towards them.

Students could buy pride flags,

adorned the sky at Allen's West through the obstacle course whilst clothes to stain with the paints to keep as a memory of the event.

> Overall, the students had a wonderful time and made some very colourful memories.

Find out how you can get involved by asking Mr J Morrison in English

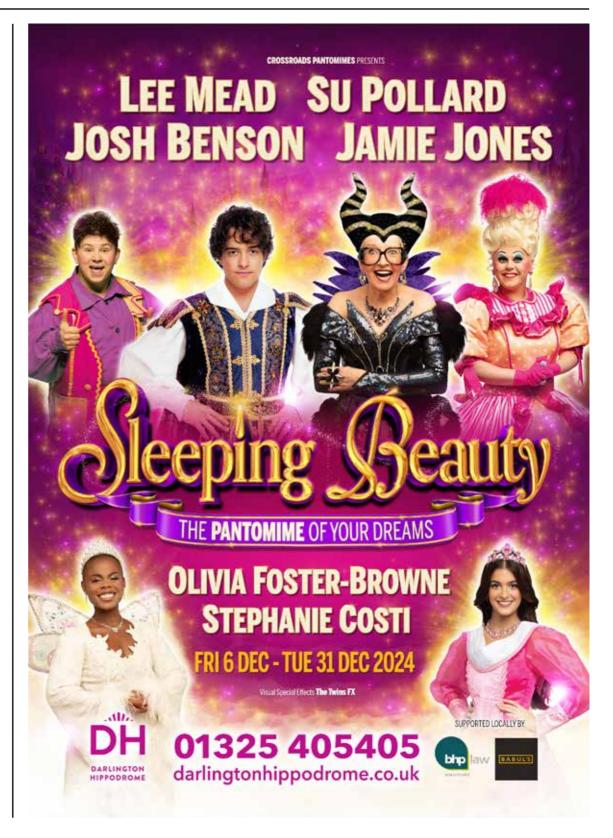
by **KATE G**

IN YEAR 9, when returning to school after Christmas between January and July, everyone will pick the subjects they will study at GCSE for the following two years. To begin, they will be assigned a pathway, blue or green.

Everybody has to take English, maths and science. Besides English, maths and science you will choose 4 options. This includes a wealth of subject choices and a choice between Geography or History (or both!). Before finalising your decision, you and your parents will have a meeting with your form tutor to make sure you are happy with your choices.

Lots of students in Year 9 experience so many different emotions about the transition to Year 10. It is a big jump into GCSE work but it's perfectly normal to be feeling scared, anxious, confused, excited and anything in

If you get too stressed or worried, you can always speak to your form tutor or head of year and they will be able to sit down and talk to you about ways to deal with any problems.



LEARNING ABOUT FLAMINGO LAND

by LIV F

ASSESSMENTS and lessons aren't the only ups and downs of this school as the lucky Year 11 got to visit Flamingo Land at the start of September!

GCSE Business, I-media and enterprise students visited the theme park as a part of their learning about how a large business is run and took some footage of the park for an assignment.

It wasn't all work though, as they were able to enjoy the rides, visit the zoo and the aquarium, win some prizes and even see a show.

Students and teachers thoroughly enjoyed this trip as it was a nice way to ease into the school year and lose some GCSE stress. There may even be a second trip at the end of the year.

REMEMBRANCE DAY OBSERVED

by **CAMERON R**

At Egglescliffe School we pride ourselves in the remembrance of the brave soldiers who sacrificed their lives for our country.

To make sure they're always in our hearts, minds and souls, cherished and praised as the heroes they are, Egglescliffe School sent Year 11 students around to different form groups with a donation box and paper poppies with pins for students to wear and donate money to help both serving and retired soldiers.

On 11th of November, cadets were allowed to wear their uniforms as a two minute silence was observed and trumpets were played.

We thank all soldiers of the United Kingdom for their valiant efforts to protect our country.



NEW STAFF SETTLING IN NICELY

by **CAMERON R**

HERE at Egglescliffe School, there are many staff members in all departments, and they are all here to teach informative and interesting lessons to their students.

As some new members join our staff, they may be unknown to some. So, we have interviewed a few of our new teachers to help you get to know who they are and how they are settling in.

Miss Brownlee (7AB)

Miss Brownlee is a new science teacher; we interviewed her and here are our questions and her responses. Our first question for Miss Brownlee was "What memorable experiences were you involved with in your previous school?" She replied, "Well it was my first school, and I ran a science club." This is an amazing achievement for Miss Brownlee and must've got some of the students from her old school interested in science!

As we wanted to see how our school treated our new teachers, we asked, "Have the staff and students been accommodating towards you?" Here's her response: "Yes, I'm settling in very well both staff and students have been accommodating and

compassionate towards mespite me being new here."

This is great news for Egglescliffe since there are so many staff members, it's always important that everyone feels noticed and valued.

In our final question, we asked Miss about her form tutor group. "What's it like to be a form tutor? Can it be a bit stressful as it's your first year here?" Miss Brownlee answered, "It's great to get to know my students on a deeper level, it can show their personality. At times it can be stressful as it's my first form class I've had before but it's overall enjoyable."

Teachers can take form classes of students from Years 7 to 9, 10 to 11 or in Sixth Form from 12 to 13. This has always proved to be a great method for both staff and students to be able to get to know each other better during tutorial or registration.

Miss Asghar (7RA)

Miss Asghar is a language teacher teaching in class 112 in the Peake building. This is our interview with her responses about her arrival at Egglescliffe. We began with, "Are you adapting well to the Egglescliffe environment?"

Miss Asghar answered with, "I feel like I'm adapting well to the school. It helps to have such

amazing people around you to help." Seeing as we have new staff members in nearly every year, it is nice to be able to make them feel as welcomed as possible. We proceeded to ask Miss Asghar about her form with the question, "How are you feeling about having a form this year?"

This is the reply we received: "It's amazing to have such greatly behaved students in my form. They're all lovely to talk with and teach." All form tutors have one lesson a week with their form class to teach about topics such as cyber security, different culture weeks and RE.

To conclude our interview with Miss Asghar, we asked, "What exciting memory did you make before coming to Egglescliffe?"

This is the response we got: "Well, in my last school I taught two languages, and we also held a European language competition." This is such an incredible achievement for Miss Asghar and can always continue in Egglescliffe since there are language competitions against different secondary schools in the area which is always lots of fun.

Mrs Muir (7KM)

Mrs Muir is an English teacher who teaches in EN7.

We began with "What are your

opinions on your form group so far this year?"

She informed us that, "They're all wonderfully behaved, and I am enjoying and further looking forward to getting to know them in and outside the classroom."

As all three teachers have form classes in Year 7, the longest time the form will stay the same as Years 10 to 11 are in a different form group for those two years and the same applies for Sixth Form. Thus, a golden opportunity to get to know your form class over three years.

We asked Mrs Muir about her previous school. She said, "Well, when I taught in Willington and while I taught at the school, I held an English writing competition." Third and finally we asked about how she was overall settling in. She replied to our question with, "I'm settling okay. I enjoy having my students and learning about them as individuals and it is a fantastic atmosphere."

Welcome also to science teacher Miss Norton and Mr Henderson, Deputy Head Teacher.

Overall, there are loads of amazing staff who have joined Egglescliffe School and we're sure they're very excited to get to know both fellow staff and students as they begin the journey as a part of our wonderful school!

HEAD TEACHER TALK

by **ZINA N**

We interviewed Mr Gittins about the future of Egg Soup and this is what was said:

• WHERE WOULD YOU LIKE THE SCHOOL NEWSPAPER TO BE IN FIVE YEARS?

Mr Gittins would like the newspaper to stay as traditional as possible and add more pages.

He wants to make sure there is a Sixth Form section in the paper as well.

HOW CAN WE INCREASE THE AUDIENCE OF EGG SOUP?

We could possibly add the newspaper online once it gets more popular.

We might also give a copy to each form group for form tutors to read during form time

Mr Gittins also suggested the idea of all school alumni getting a copy of the newspaper.

• WHY IS EGG SOUP SO IMPORTANT?

Mr Gittins believes that Egg Soup is a way to celebrate students and show how amazing our school is to the local community and as many people as possible.

He thinks a way to improve the newspaper for the students is adding more student roles within the newspaper.

It's good to hear that Mr Gittins is willing to give the amount we need to fund the newspaper and will help with advertising by getting the PTA involved.

If you would like to sponsor this page and support the STEM activities at Egglescliffe, please contact Mr Mike Fairbairn

STEM

MENTORING WELL UNDERWAY FOR CUMMINS PROJECT

COHORT 1 of the Cummins Engineering Partnership saw students take part in a factory tour recently, examining the impact of robotics within manufacturing and engineering.

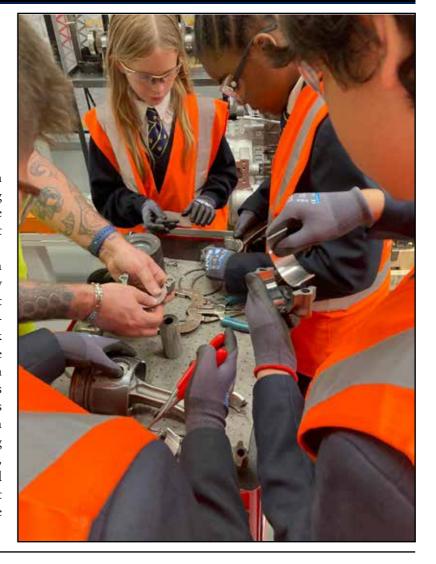
The students were given a workshop floor tour and discovered the changing face of manufacturing in the UK first hand, noticing the introduction of robotics on the assembly line and robot sleds replacing fork lift truck drivers.

Students then took part in an engine teardown, they got hands on in examining different parts of an engine, whilst stripping down parts and rebuilding others.

They will shortly be moving on to their next activity of the year

when they head to Darlington College and begin programming robot arms similar to those that are on the assembly line at Cummins.

Meanwhile Cummins held an assessment centre and interview process at the school for Cohort 2. Students were placed in non-friendship teams and given a task of building a paper bridge capable of carrying 1kg. The intention was for the Cummins engineers to watch for key traits such as teamworking, resilience, problem solving and leadership. Following on from the assessment centre, students were then interviewed by the engineers. This was a great learning experience for all of the students.



ROBOTICS STUDENTS WOW SPACE DIRECTOR

In October, Jim Christensen, the retired director of education from the Kennedy Space Centre came to school.

He visited year six at Durham Lane Primary School, spoke with sixth form and staff, delivered a brilliant talk to our rocket club and scholar award students and ended the day being wowed by our robotics club and f24 engineers.

It was a great day.







ARTS & HUMANITIES



INSPECTOR CALLS A HIT

by **LIV F**

Was he really a police inspector? Is she a real person? Who was he? These were all questions asked after the trip to Darlington Hippodrome to watch 'An Inspector Calls'.

Drama students attended the ambiguous play in October to help their studies which also helps leading to a better understanding in English too as Year 11s study the play for their GCSES.

Students walked out amazed at the show with its brilliant performers and remembering that "we are all members of one body", as a wise Inspector once said.

LONDON

Our A Level English Literature, Language and Media students attended a residential trip to London recently.

There were opportunities for sightseeing, along with a production of Les Miserables and a tour of Shakespeare's Globe (for English students) and a film at the IMAX (for Media students).

Y11S GO BACK IN TIM

by **SOPHIE C**

IF YOU HAD the opportunity, would you want to travel back in time, to see the world in a different period?

You could witness the culture and society, or just simply see how people dressed in real life, two hundred years ago. That is the reason why people study history. If we can't travel into the future, at least we can explore our past.

On the 30th September, as a start of Year 11s' numerous trips, the history department went back in time to Beamish. With its cobblestone roads and old fashioned walkways, Beamish resembles towns from the 1800s to the 1900s, as they transitioned from being small, quintessential farming towns to larger industrial powerhouses.

Fitting in with the courses that Year 11 are currently studying, the slightly jarring smells and old sweet shop allowed them to visualise real life within their history courses.

On arrival, the Year 11s split into groups and some were, slightly unfortunately, left to walk around Beamish, instead of travelling on the tram.

The weather, adding to their experience, started to drizzle, leaving the cobblestones slick



in rainwater. They were left to explore the Edwardian style houses, including a Dentists and Bank. An experienced volunteer showed them the old currency of pennies, shillings and pounds and what they would be worth in today's society.

By having these knowledgeable volunteers, the museum is made accessible to our slightly disconnected generation, where some of our parents were only just born when the currency change to the pound sterling in 1971.

Beamish explores our relatively recent history, even if it is outside of our generation's timeline, so

a mine was like in only the last one hundred years is unusual. Beamish allows young children, students and adults to explore their own ancestors' history specific to this area. Being able to have a physical connect to a place that shows where family members, that have passed, would have lived is a special opportunity. We should take advantage of that to explore more of our history and local culture, with Beamish being a well visited museum for most people in our area and a favourite that holds many special memories from people's childhoods. As well

to be able to physically see what as having significant historical knowledge, the museum's staff and volunteers' preservation of artifacts is amazing, as you can still see them used regularly in the state they would be in up to one hundred years ago. Treated with respect and well maintained, the motor cars, printing press, trams and buses are one of a kind.

Beamish is the perfect interactive museum for schools and families to explore, and there really should be more museums like Beamish available for the public. Let's continue to support this 'living' museum now to protect our past and make way for the future.



by **ZINA N**

After two failed attempts of going on this trip due to the horrible weather, the Geography students finally got to go on a trip to Great Ayton.

This September, four Year 11 classes went on a trip for the fieldwork part of the GCSE.

We spent the morning measuring the River Leven to collect data on the river's velocity, depth and width. This was a great

experience to have time to get out of the classroom and take some time to examine real-life cases.

After lunchtime, we spent our time asking the locals questions about why they moved to Great Ayton to collect data on reasons for counter-urbanisation.

It was an amazing day, and it helped a lot to learn about geography in a real-life setting rather than a classroom. This will benefit all the students greatly when it comes to exam season.

MUSIC & DRAMA



Miss Wrattan, dance choreographer, with some of the cast of this year's Grease The Musical

GREASE THE MUSICAL HEADS FOR FORUM THEATRE SHOW

by WILL L

Grease the Musical will be performed by students from Egglescliffe School at Billingham Forum, having three performances in total with performances on the evening of 18th April and the afternoon and evening of 19th April.

The performances of Grease will be split between three casts with

(Y7-Y9) and two upper school casts (Y10-Y11) who will share the Saturday performances while the lower school cast will have the Friday evening.

Mr Haworth and the Music Department have already started rehearsals for Grease as they try to find their cast for this iconic musical.

So far, they have started

there being a lower school cast auditions to find their Danny and Sandys as well as their Rizzos while working through iconic songs from the musical such as 'You are the one that I want', 'Summer Nights' and 'Grease Lightning'.

Throughout the year we will check up on the musical cast to see how it is going until the final performances on 18th and 19th April 2025.

JOIN THE EGG SOUP TEAM

We're looking for student reporters and photographers to help fill the newspaper... design and art students to help design the newspaper... and also enterprise and media students to help promote the newspaper! Find out how you can get involved by asking Mr J Morrison in English or Mr Fairbairn in Business.

SUPPORT THE FRIENDS OF EGGLESCLIFFE MUSIC

DONATING just £4 per month helps us to raise funds to support our music groups and choirs, buy equipment for the music department and contribute to visits.

Egglescliffe has a worldrenowned music department that encourages students to learn and perform.

Help the Friends of Egglescliffe School Music support future generations of students to excel.

Join our draw for only £4 per month and have a chance to win cash prizes four times a year.

The Friends of Egglescliffe School Music hold regular social events and support the department at music events including the Christmas Choir and the annual school musical.

Contact us if you'd like to help out in any way.

Find out more at: www.facebook.com/ friendsofegglescliffeschoolmusic



ENRICHMENT



REVISION AND MOCKS

by LIV F & OSCAR M

Welcome back Year 11s! Upcoming exams are stressful and whilst you may be worrying about revision, there are plenty of revision sessions held by teachers at lunch and even after school.

If you have not received a timetable of all the different sessions running, speak to your form tutor and make sure you get one. There's truly something for everyone with English sessions at lunchtime, History sessions at lunch and after school on Wednesdays and many more!

Whereas you may be revising a lot for exams, which is amazing, you also need to make sure you are taking the time to help yourself mentally by getting a good sleep schedule, staying hydrated, maintaining a healthy diet and taking some time to do the things you enjoy such as: playing a game with your friends, going to the gym, entertaining your hobbies and anything else you enjoy!

You should also know when your exams are to order and plan an effective revision strategy. Good luck and stay positive!

WHAT IS ENRICHMENT?

by SEB C

Enrichment is an extracurricular activity where you can pop along and do a club or start a new hobby.

Our school is one of the best in the area for enrichment activities. At lunch, if you're bored, ask student services "what clubs are on today" or before school if you're looking to do some football just go along with a PE kit.

Enrichment can help fill out your CV when you apply to jobs or anything really.

There are all kind of clubs to enjoy from robotics to football to drama. There are also STEM clubs, challenge clubs, music clubs, sport clubs and homework clubs.



ENRICHMENT MARKET

In October, Y7 students visited the Enrichment Marketplace where they pledged to attend one of the many enrichment clubs on offer at Egglescliffe.

Stalls were manned by fantastic student volunteers who did a wonderful job of promoting their clubs.

Thank you and well done Y7!



MAPS OUT FOR DUKE OF EDINBURGH WALK

by **NICOLA H**

This year I am doing my Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award and I have already completed the practice walk.

In my opinion it was pretty easy but we weren't carrying heavy rucksacks and I have to admit that the hardest part was navigating.

For Duke of Edinburgh Bronze, you have to complete so many hours of a skill and a physical activity.

I have already got a skill sorted

- singing lessons in school hours and my physical activity is gymnastics. You also have to do so many hours of volunteering but I don't know what to do on volunteering yet but I have some ideas.

I can't wait to do my expedition walk without the teachers' help. A good thing is I have my friends in my group. There are two groups – Cohort A and Cohort B. My group is Cohort A and I can't wait to do more expeditions in the future.

DO YOU TAKE PART IN A CLUB?

Join the EGG SOUP team to write about your club or activity and share your good news and success stories with the rest of the school and the community!

ESU & SIXTH FORM



BAKING FOR

by ROSE D

IN THE FINAL week before the October half-term, Sixth Form Year 12s and 13s were busy baking cakes for good causes.

On Monday, the Y12s had stalls set up in the Sixth Form with bakes from brownies to cupcakes and a tombola to raise money for Macmillan cancer support. The stalls were filled with treats made by Y12s and went down very well with everyone since the sale was running for the whole day.

The tombola prizes were provided by each form (Year 13 included), and a minimum of one prize from each meant that the tombola was fully stacked and gained lots of eager players as the day went by.

The bake sale and the tombola garnered a lot of interest and sales from the whole Sixth Form cohort including staff. Also, our Year 11s got to come into Sixth Form year's Prom planning for the better!

during PSHE and get first pick of the bakes to buy for themselves which helped the sale gain more sales and interest.

Overall, the Y12s made a total of £335 which will go directly to the Macmillan Cancer support charity. A wonderful donation from the Year 12s and a very successful day!

On Wednesday, the Egglescliffe Student Union hosted independent bake sale in the main hall for the Secondary and Sixth Form students to buy their bakes to raise money for their prom.

As ESU, the committee plans the Prom separately from Egglescliffe School itself, and organises and raises money for prom décor and

Members from each society and committee baked treats for the whole school cohort.

ESU made an incredible total of £155 which will greatly aid this





EGGLESCLIFFE ALUMNI

CAREERS IN SPOTLIGHT

OVER FIFTY providers gathered in the sports hall in December for our annual careers fair.

Throughout the day, over 1400 students from Years 7 to 13 got to visit the fair.

Particular highlights were the fire appliance from Cleveland Fire Brigade, the Mercedes G-Wagon from Sytner Mercedes Benz and the robot dogs from Sunderland University. With representatives from construction, space, leisure, engineering, sport, dental, medical, military and the police, the fair gave something for everyone. It was also great to see a number of parents and carers take the time to visit the fair after school.

Wilkinson said, "This year's message was to demystify the workplace and breakdown stereotypes. All the employers were able to help students see what work in their industry looks like and understand that there is often more to each role than students may have guessed. It was also great to see a handful of former students return to the school, perhaps after a number of years, to celebrate their own journeys since leaving us."

The school would like to express a huge thanks to the companies and providers who gave up their day to support our students.



MARINA HEADLINES AT THE LINK

PERFORMING to a packed venue, our wonderful Marina Josephina performed her first headline gig at the Link in November, with special guest Shakk.

Former, Marina was also joined on stage by fellow alumni Stephanie M, to the delight of the many current Egglescliffe students in the audience.

Marina, who also currently

offers singing lessons in school to the new generation of singing stars, said, "Performing my original music allows me to be my most authentic self. I open up completely, speaking with no filter. I don't think I'll ever truly understand the power an audience has over me when I'm on stage, but they give me the permission to express myself and for that I thank everyone."

The venue, in Stockton on Tees,

was perfect and very welcoming to the younger members of the audience, many of whom are coached by Marina. It was a real experience for them to see their coach and inspiration performing her own original music on such a stage.

Marina added, "It was the most incredible night. I am completely overwhelmed with the love and kindness from everyone. Teesside is full of beautiful people and I

am so proud to be from a town that comes together like it did last night and basks in moments of live music and storytelling."

Find Marina's music on Spotify and YouTube.

https://open.spotify.com/artist/ 4HpnYntH4b6GMqnuok2Fo8

https://www.youtube.com/@marinajosephina

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PE STUDENTS THRIVE ON TRIP



AN ACTION-PACKED itinerary kept the Year 10 GCSE students busy on an exciting trip to the Thurston Outdoor Activity Centre in the Lake District in November.

During the three day residential trip, the students completed a number of challenging activities,

including kayaking, abseiling, rock climbing, tree climbing, ghyll scrambling, hiking and canoeing.

Kate G and Ava H said, "The trip resulted in students all facing new fears and pushing themselves out of their comfort zones. All students showed great resilience

and determination. We'd like to give a huge thanks to the Thurston staff and instructors, but also a huge thanks to Miss Openshaw, Mr Huggins and Mr Hinchcliffe for making such an amazing trip possible and giving the students new opportunities and unforgettable memories."

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MOTOR RACING TALK INSPIRES

With being so far north of any F1 Racing team, it is very difficult to attract visiting speakers from that world in to school to talk to the students.

In November, students were treated to a fantastic careers talk from David Stewart of MoneyGram Haas F1 Team. David dispelled many myths, gave great insight into the variety of roles within F1 and suggested potential routes in to the profession.



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RIDDLE

What travels around the world but always stays in a corner?

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For the students, by the students...

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SPORT NEWS

OLYMPIC GOLD INSPIRATION

In November, Baroness Tanni Grey Thompson delivered a talk and Q&A session live from the House of Lords.

Our Scholar Award students and GCSE and A Level PE students heard all about how she became an Olympic athlete, winning eleven gold Paralympic medals and how she went on to become a Baroness in House of Lords.

The Baroness was very generous with her time, answering many questions from the students.

GOLF SELECTION

Well done to Tom H of Year 10 who has been selected to play for the England U12s against Ireland.

Well done to Tom for such an incredible sporting achievement.

SPORT REPORTERS NEEDED FOR EGG SOUP!

DO you play for a sports team at Egglescliffe or do you represent the school or your club at any level?

We need keen and eager sports reporters to join our team to provide write ups of events, team competitions and individual successes.

You don't need to have any experience in writing articles, just a love of sport and the time to write a few words once a term.

We are planning to arrange some mentoring specifically for our sports reporters, so if this sounds like it could be fun, please give Mr J Morrison a shout and let him know that you're interested. We'd love to have you on board!



PHOEBE ENJOYS PONY SUCCESS IN CANADA

We are very proud of our Sixth Form student, Phoebe W, who has enjoyed a recent visit to Canada representing Great Britain in the Pony Club Mounted Games Team. In amongst their training sessions they have been on many excursions including Blue Rocks kayaking, tree top climbing, trail riding, tidal bore rafting, mud sliding and whale watching.

They have also been able to take in the lovely sights in and around Nova Scotia.

In October, Phoebe presented Egglescliffe School, pictured with Mr Gittins, with her Team GB shirt to celebrate her amazing success riding in Canada.

Phoebe will have her signed shirt framed and displayed in school and it will inspire students for years to come.

FORGOTTEN
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FROM
HISTORY
PART I





