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Dear Parents,

We are now well into the Spring term with lots of Spring term fieldwork taking place. This part of the year definitely feels like the busiest but most rewarding so far.

Our C29 and C30 students are actively preparing and delivering their SLCS (or have just recently completed these), the dedication and pride in our students but equally as important their pledges around how to improve their HoWLs and Academic performance has been amazing to see.

Our C28 students have almost all completed their passage presentations with panellists selected to witness the students' reflections on why they are ready to move into KS4 and our GCSE curriculum.

Our C27 students are beginning the plans for work experiences, their first round of mock GCSE exams and our first Y10 Student teacher-led conferences and our C26 students are actively working on the areas needed to gain those extra marks following the mock exams earlier this term. It is an absolute hive of activity around school with great learning opportunities for our students.

Please keep up to date by subscribing to our websites.

Bike Theft and Lock Reminders...

Since my last update we have had lots of success with the use of 'D Locks' and students remembering to bring their locks and keys to school. The police advise 'D locks' - see the picture below. As such we strongly recommend students do not travel on bikes if they have lost their keys, or do not have a D lock. There are lots available to purchase on amazon for less than £15.

Unfortunately we do not have a safe facility to store bikes in the school building.



Aerosols in school

As a school we have often been concerned about the use of aerosol sprays in school because in some circumstances they can trigger an asthma attack. We have recently called an ambulance to school for this circumstance. As such students have been reminded that they should not be using aerosols in school and if found in possession of a deodorant spray or hairspray (or any other aerosol) this will be confiscated and an adult must collect this from the office.

Student - Teacher Led Conferences

Following the success of our Student Teacher led conferences in C26. C27 (Y10) parents will be invited to Student -Teacher Led Conferences' in the Summer term where students will delve deeper into the specific disciplines and reflect on their work to date alongside their subject teachers. This is a new addition to our GCSE offer that we are hopeful you will agree is appropriate for you to be able to support your children further at home with any additional revision or studies.

Same Day reflection

We have the highest expectations of students at XP in terms of both their behaviour and progress at school. This is underpinned by our Habits of Work and Learning as we expect all of our students to 'Work Hard, Get Smart and Be Kind' and demonstrate our character traits of 'Courage, Respect, Craftsmanship and Quality, Compassion and Integrity'. These shape and determine the culture at the school. It is with these high expectations in mind that I write to you now, to inform you of a temporary measure we intend to put in place for the rest of this term.

Recently, a small proportion of students have not been showing the level of Courage, Respect, Craftsmanship and Quality, Compassion and Integrity that we know and expect they are capable of.

Beginning on Monday, we will be reintroducing same day reflections, after school, given by any member of staff, using their professional judgement.

You will be informed by email at around 2.30pm if your child is expected to stay for the same day reflection. The email informing you of the same day reflection will also provide a context and the email address of the member of staff to contact if you wish to discuss this further. All same day reflections will be followed up with the appropriate apologies by students in line with our restorative approach.



Upcoming dates for your diaries

D6 is running every Saturday for C26 students, C26 students will be invited later in the school year.

The list below is some of the upcoming dates for your diaries, please keep your eyes out on the blog for further dates and invites to events.

- **7th March -** New Friends of XP Doncaster TUCK SHOP
- 8th and 11th March Staff days 7 and 8, school closed to students
- **28th March** Break up for Easter at 1.30pm
- 22nd April 3rd May C27 Mock GCSEs
- **6th May** Bank Holiday school closed
- **7th May** C26 GCSEs start

DofE Bronze Practice C28

XPE School	17 th May 2024
XP School	10 th May 2024

- 17th 21st June C27 Work Experience
- 21st and 24th June Staff days 9 and 10, school closed to students

DofE Bronze Expedition C28:

2 day & 1 night expedition

XP School	27 th & 28 th June 2024
XPE School	20 th & 21 st June 2024

- **28th June C26** final day at school. (Lots of information to follow about C26 from Miss Cocliff and Mrs Parker), Please also check in on the weekly WOOP shared via the website blog posts and emails.
- **5th July** Sports day
- **10th July** C27 6th Form College taster day

Further events (dates to be confirmed)

- C27 Doncaster College taster day TBC
- C27 Mock interviews-TBC
- C27 Transition into year 11
- C30, C29 and C28 will have their final SLC of the school year, further details will be communicated to you in due course.
- C27 will have their first Student Teacher Led conferences following their Mocks, further details will be communicated to you in due course.
- C31 transition days
- Monthly Tuck shop NFoXP
- C26 Prom see the facebook groups to be added to the prom group



Staff day reminder

A reminder that we have 2 staff days in March, these are the 8th March and 11th March where school is not open to students. This allows staff time to plan and collaborate on our next term expeditions.

As usual if you have any questions about your son or daughter please get in touch with your child's Crew Leader in the first instance or email general enquiries to office@xpschool.org or <a href="mailto:office@xps

Thanks

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