

Scarborough UTC News Flash Friday 29th June 2018

INTRODUCTION

Dear parent/carer,

As you know we have been working very hard with you and our year 10 students on attendance. As a result, we have seen positive improvements in our attendance figures for year 10. National average attendance rates for the last academic year in year 10 were 94%. The current attendance for our year 10 stands at 94.2%, which is an increase of almost 1% since Easter. This is excellent progress and better attendance will have a direct impact on improving your son or daughter's outcomes in examinations. Our College target is 96.5% and so we still have some way to go, therefore please keep supporting your son or daughter to be in College all of the time.

The next few weeks are traditionally used by universities to provide opportunities for sixth form students to visit their campus and find out more about university life and the courses that are being offered. These visits are useful in allowing young people to make informed life choices about their progression route from the Sixth Form @ Scarborough UTC. Time and travel costs are the only investment required to explore what university can offer and can be an excellent way of raising aspiration. We have today taken students to Newcastle University to their open day and we hope to be able to take an organised group to Bristol University. You can find out more about university open days by visiting this link <https://www.opendays.com/>.

Thank you for your support.
Mr Kilgour

TEACHING AND LEARNING

The Teaching and Learning Development Group continue to work on a toolkit of resources that we can use to ensure that we are all including the features of good teaching within our lessons, incorporating the stretch and challenge topics presented by staff teams last week, ERIC (Everyone Reads in Class), questioning techniques, and many more strategies, including the need for personalised learning. This week's focus is on our displays for learning to be followed by discussion and development of skills regarding the ways we differentiate tasks and personalise learning to ensure that all student needs are met, an essential consideration when planning lessons for our valued learners.

EMPLOYER ENGAGEMENT

This week our entire Year 10 group went down to the University of Hull on Thursday to take part in an exciting day of STEM activities and challenges. The day was run by the Bloodhound Education group, whose aim is to inspire the next generation of scientists and

engineers. It was a great opportunity that was made available to us by our education partners at the University of Hull. Students took part in crane building workshops delivered by IMech, a science and engineering workshop on the design of the 1000mph car and Knex car workshop to build a compressed air car.

Students were very successful at solving a number of engineering and science problems. As well as being very successful in aspects of engineering construction

Also this week our students went to Croft Race Circuit to take part in the Greenpower Electric car competition. The students have been working tirelessly on their cars during enrichment this term and were excited to be our first students to take part in the finals. Although there were no trophies this time we have learnt plenty about the competition for next year and the support we received from our employer partners for the competition, from them help fund our kit cars to helping design key components - like the grills Rosti Automotive produced for us – will hopefully give us the edge for next year's competition.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Royal Navy

[Accelerated Apprenticeship scheme](#). This continues to be market-leading in terms of both the training provided (the Royal Navy was recently awarded an OFSTED Outstanding for its Apprenticeship provision) and starting salary, which at £31,100 is the highest reported pay in the Baker Dearing Trust's annual destinations survey. The scheme has proved extremely successful and the Royal Navy is expanding both the number of places offered and the breadth of engineering specialisations which it applies to. As a result, there are still places available for students who wish to join the Submarine Service where the scheme has recently been introduced. Minimum qualifications remains the same (Level 3 Vocational Engineering Qualifications or Maths and Physics A-Level at Grade D; full details are at the Annex) and on qualification the apprentices will qualify for the significant extra financial allowances available to submariners. There is no better way to springboard a career in the electronics or nuclear sector than this scheme which sees its members taking on significant technical responsibility within two years of leaving their UTC.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 11th July 2018

Year 10 and 12 Parent Evening

Friday 27th July 2018

Last day of summer term – College closes at 1.00pm

A Level results Day

Thursday 16th August 2018

GCSE Results Day

Thursday 23rd August 2018

Academic Year 2018/19

INSET Day

Monday 3rd September 2018

New Year 10 Induction Day 1

Tuesday 4th September 2018

New Year 10 Induction Day 2

Wednesday 5th September 2018

Year 11 and 13 First Day of Term

Thursday 6th September 2018

New Year 12 Induction Day

Thursday 6th September 2018