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Dear Parent/Carer

This newsletter is to update you on the staffing appointments made at Ryedale School for September 2007, report on some recent events and inform you of what is to come.

STAFFING

- Miss Hunter has been appointed to teach History and Religious Education.
- Miss Kanachi has been appointed to teach French and German.
- Mr Hillier has been appointed to teach P.E.
- Mr Hopkins has been appointed to teach Design and Technology and Art.
- Mr Skelton has been appointed Head of Science.

Some of the above appointments are additional posts and some to replace departing teachers. The March newsletter informed parents that Mrs Hopgood found a full-time post at Nunthorpe School at Easter, and her lessons are currently being covered by Mr Tunnicliffe. Mrs Wright retires in July.

Ms Hume is advancing her career in York from September, and a new Head of Science has been appointed in her place.

Miss Taylor has gained a well-deserved promotion and will work in Lady Lumley's next year. The process for finding her replacement is currently underway.

New additions to the support staff are Mrs Thomson, assistant to the Heads of School and Mr Martin as Data/Network Officer.

PERFORMING ARTS

"Kiss Me Kate" proved to be a fantastic experience. It was more challenging than many of our previous productions, and the students certainly rose to the challenge. The wide-ranging talents of the students were a joy to behold and raised the standards of performance to a new level. I am sure the younger students will be inspired to continue to enjoy and achieve in their performing arts productions.

Students in school are now preparing for graded Music examinations and the GCSE Drama Performance examinations. Alongside our Year 11 GCSE Musicians we have the high-flying Musicians in Year 10 taking their GCSE Music a year early. We wish them all well.

EXAMINATIONS

The internal examinations taken by Years 7, 8 and 10 went tremendously well. The students conducted themselves most appropriately and earned the praise of the Invigilation Team. Year 9 students have made an equally impressive start to their S.T.A. examinations.

Year 11 students are approaching their GCSE written examinations. Their last compulsory day in school is Friday 11th May, exactly one week before the first written examination. The week of the 14th -18th May is a study-leave week, but all Year 11 lessons are being taught as usual for students who require specific help or find structured revision with their teachers more effective than independent learning.

The GCSE examination timetable is now available on the school's website for Year 11 (and for Year 10, who are taking the first units of their GCSE 21st Century Science course).

TIES

Year 11 students have been granted the privilege of not having to wear their ties this week as study leave begins very soon. The same privilege is usually granted to the rest of the school when the weather becomes warm. We shall allow students in Years 7 to 10 to attend school without their ties from next Monday, provided T-shirts or jewellery are not visible. Anyone flouting uniform rules will have the privilege of not wearing a tie withdrawn.

SPORTING SUCCESS

BOYS PE REVIEW OF SEASON 2007

FOOTBALL

The highlight of the season has to be the Year 9 boys winning the Under 14 North Yorkshire County Cup. They beat Harrogate High School by 7 - 0 at Pickering Town's ground.

This is the first time in the history of the school that a team has won this competition. As this victory was such a fantastic achievement we felt it appropriate that the boys were presented with the football shirt that they wore on the night of this success as a keepsake of this memorable victory.

Alistair Holmes received the trophy as captain. The winning players were: - Adam Magson, James Jeavons, Tim Sharples, Jack Ramsey, Bradley Magson, Josh Tateson, Jamie Harper, Jonathan Birbeck, Sam Brooker, Ben Young, Jordan Ravis, Sam Annan, Steven Watson, Jonathan Pattenden, Luke McLaren.

In early September the Year 9 team had to play their Under 13 football cup final from the previous year due to pitches being unplayable at the end of the season in 2006. The boys played Filey school in the final and won 3-2 after extra time.

The boys were again in the Under 14 Scarborough and District final this year where they played Scalby School. The final score was 2 -2 after extra time, which resulted in the teams sharing the trophy. This will make it the third year in succession that the team has won the District Cup.

Four boys represented the District at football this Year. They were Sam Myers in Year 8 and Tim Sharples, Alistair Holmes and Bradley Magson in Year 9

School Football Colours have been awarded to Sam Myers in Year 8, James Jeavons and Jamie Harper in Year 9, and Jonathan Griffiths, Joseph Price and David Swalwell in Year 10.

The winner of the Mark Richardson Trophy, which is presented to the most outstanding footballer in the school, is Tom Ellis in Year 11.

BASKETBALL

For the third year running we have been in the Scarborough and District Final at every age group. The Year 7 team who won the District Final held at Scalby School in Scarborough are:- Jim Dunn, Adam Durrant, Alex Brooke, Neil Adams, Paul White, Tom Sleightholme, Robert Featherstone, Daniel Thornton, Sam Russell, Jack Hugill.

The Year 9 team won their District Trophy again demonstrating their all round talent. The winning team was: - Jonathan Pattenden, Alistair Holmes, Bradley Magson, Jordan Ravis, Jonathan Drake, Ben Young, Charlie Allott, Jamie Harper, James Jeavons, Adam Magson.

School Basketball Colours have been awarded to: Philip Rutter, Alex Gatenby and Jake Silk in Year 8, Adam Magson and Jamie Harper in Year 9 and Jo Griffiths and Dennis Frank in Year 10.

The winner of the Jack Colman Trophy, which is awarded to the most outstanding basketball player in the school, is Tom Phelps in Year 11.

GIRLS PE REVIEW OF SEASON 2007

NETBALL

At Key Stage 3, Ryedale School currently dominates the Scarborough Ryedale District. The Year 9s have become District Champions and the Year 8s Runners Up. The Year 9s have enjoyed an outstanding season, qualifying for the County Round in November and finishing third in North Yorkshire, which is the best placing a team from this district has gained in the County for many years. For this outstanding achievement, the entire team had gained District Netball Colours: Bethany Windwood, Mary-Clare Ridge, Emma Bumby, Kirsty Parker and Lauren Humpleby. In addition to this, five girls were then selected to play for the U14 District Team, and have been awarded their Colours for this achievement: Meg Holmes, Phoebe Maxwell, Lucy Collier, Lucy Ireland and Amy Collier.

In Year 7, both the A and B team emerged victorious from their District Tournament under the captaincy of Rowan Ward and Tatyana Heard.

Both Year 10 and Year 11 finished third in their Tournaments, and the Year 11s in particular were unlucky not to secure the second place position which would have seen them in to the County round.

DISTRICT COLOURS.

At U16 level District Colours have been reawarded to Beth Gibson.

SCHOOL COLOURS

School Colours are awarded in a sport for not only achieving a high standard of play, but perhaps more importantly for demonstrating commitment to practices and teams and demonstrating an excellent attitude towards that sport.

At Junior Level Colours have been awarded to; Meg Holmes, Phoebe Maxwell and Becky Teasdale. At Senior level to; Rachel Malley, Emma Gibson, Sarah Wilson and Florence Henderson, and in Year 10 to Shannon Colman and Katie Burton.

The Smith Trophy For Best Junior Netball Player has been awarded to Megan Wood.
The Smith Trophy For Best Senior Netball Player has been awarded to Beth Gibson.

HOCKEY REPORT

Many thanks to Miss Nicol once again for her continued specialist work with the hockey teams in what is becoming an increasingly difficult job. Due to the increase of Astroturf pitches in some schools, and the fact that all major hockey competitions are now played on Astroturf, Ryedale (as a traditionally grass hockey school) is faced with an immediate challenge. However, despite this, our strong reputation remains and we continue to turn out high quality teams that prove very difficult to beat.

The Year 10s progressed to the U15 knockout cup final after a fantastic semi against Whitby Community College. Unfortunately they were over powered in the final by Scarborough College.

At Junior and Senior level, there was some outstanding play demonstrated on the House Hockey afternoons and team captains and the sports captains must be congratulated on the examples they set.

DISTRICT COLOURS

Four Year 9 girls were selected to represent the District this year, and as part of the team were successful in becoming U14 North Yorkshire Champions, so receive their District Colours and the County Trophy;

Kirsty Parker (re) Lucy Collier, Amy Collier, and Lucy Ireland.

At Senior Level District Colours have been awarded to Jade Smith (re) and Sarah Wilson. One student has gained County Colours for Hockey at U14 level, and has been playing for the North Yorkshire First 11 regularly this season. Therefore County Colours have been awarded to Lucy Collier.

SCHOOL COLOURS

At Junior level to; Becky Teasdale, Emily Thorpe, Amy Collier, Chloe Thornton, Charlotte Collier

At Senior Level to; Jade Clark, Emma Criddle.

The Fiona Bumby Trophy for Best Junior Hockey Player has been awarded to Emily Thorpe and the Trophy for Best Senior Hockey Player was shared between Jade Smith and Sarah Wilson.

CROSS COUNTRY

Well done to all the students who represented the school so well in the three District Cross Country meetings earlier this year. Mr Windwood has worked with a group of committed runners on Friday lunchtimes up to half term and many of these have gone on to a range of individual successes.

Following the results of the Cross Country House Matches; the Winner of the Junior Girls Cross Country Trophy is Becky Clements and the Winner of the Senior Girls Cross Country Trophy is Shannon Colman.

DISTRICT COLOURS

Have been awarded to Annabel Horner and Keziah Paxton, and reawarded to Bethany Windwood, Emma Criddle and Shannon Colman. One of these students has gone on to receive their County Colours for representing North Yorkshire in cross country, therefore County Colours and School Colours have been awarded to Keziah Paxton.

HOUSE MATCHES

The House matches have again been a massive success this year. Thanks go to the Sports Captains this year who were:

	<u>ATLANTIS</u>	<u>COLUMBIA</u>	<u>DISCOVERY</u>	<u>ENDEAVOUR</u>
Boys	Tom Phelps	Ashley Walker	Tom Clements	Dylan Westwood
Girls	Laura Wallis	Emma Gibson	Laura Ireland	Jade Smith

CROSS-COUNTRY

The winner of the Junior Cross-country House match was Sam Myers (Year 8).

The winner of the Senior Cross-country House match was Jonathan Pattenden (Year 9).

MINI HALIFAX TROPHY 2006 - 2007

<u>SPRING TERM</u>				
	<u>ATLANTIS</u>	<u>COLUMBIA</u>	<u>DISCOVERY</u>	<u>ENDEAVOUR</u>
BASKETBALL	4	2	3	1
FOOTBALL	4	2	3	1
HOCKEY	4	1	3	2
VOLLEYBALL	2	3	4	1
IND. HOCKEY	4	1	3	2
SWIMMING	2	1	3	4
TOTAL	20	10	19	11
POSITION	1st	4th	2nd	3rd

HALIFAX TROPHY 2006 - 2007

The Halifax trophy involves all the school sports in House match competitions and runs from Easter to Easter.

	<u>ATLANTIS</u>	<u>COLUMBIA</u>	<u>DISCOVERY</u>	<u>ENDEAVOUR</u>
<u>SUMMER TERM</u>				
TENNIS	2	3	1	4
ROUNDERS	4	3	2	1
CRICKET	2	3	4	1
STANDARDS	3	1	2	4
SPORTS DAY	3	2	4	1
<u>AUTUMN TERM</u>				
6-A-SIDE	4	2	3	1
X-COUNTRY	3	1	4	2
NETBALL	3	4	2	1
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<u>SPRING TERM</u>				
BASKETBALL	4	2	3	1
FOOTBALL	4	2	3	1
HOCKEY	4	1	3	2
VOLLEYBALL	2	3	4	1
IND. HOCKEY	4	1	3	2
SWIMMING	2	1	3	4
TOTAL	48	32	43	27
POSITION	1st	3rd	2nd	4th

The Sports captains from Atlantis, Tom Phelps and Laura Wallis received the Halifax trophy.

PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Many thanks to all of you who supported the PTA Quiz. The atmosphere was once again a wonderful example of the way teachers, students and parents work happily together. The Quiz raised £509.

PLEASE NOTE:

Thursday 28th and Friday 29th June are Staff Training days.

The Open Evening for prospective pupils and parents is on 28th June.

3 rd July	Year 7 Reports to Parents
9 th July	Music Concert and Supper
10 th July	Year 8 Reports to Parents
11 th July	Sports Day
17 th July	Year 10 Reports to Parents
23 rd and 24 th July	Enrichment Days (Venture Courses)

VACANCY

APT&C Scale Band 4 Points 9 - 13

24 hours per week (Term Time Only) = £158.64 per week gross

Temporary part-time post to cover Maternity leave from September 2007 to December 2007.

General Teaching Assistant to support Pupils with a range of learning and behavioural difficulties from Years 7 - 11.

For information pack, application form and job description please contact the school on 01439 771665.

Closing date applications 25th May 2007.

Ryedale School is committed to safeguarding the welfare of young people. Enhanced CRB disclosure is required for this post.

SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT

If parents/carers have any suggestions for school improvement that they would like the Governors' Home School Committee to discuss, please write to Mr Clay who services this committee. Please add your name and the name of your child, so we can respond to you.

P Clay
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