



Sherburn High School

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Dear parents, carers and students,

Celebrating success!

I am delighted and proud to share that this summer our students achieved record breaking results!

For our sixth formers, tears of joy and relief were evident as they celebrated their A level results. We are very proud that 86% of students got into their first choice of university, with 29% of these going to Russell Group universities. We are also very proud of the students who managed to secure extremely competitive apprenticeships.

Our Year 11 students were also celebrating in August with record breaking results. 77% of our students achieved grades 4 and above in English Language, 78% in English Literature, 100% in Physics, Biology and Chemistry and 86% in maths. The stunning results weren't just limited to the core subjects – and are a testimony to the ambition the students showed in their approach to their studies.

Congratulations to all!

A fabulous start to the year –

In my assemblies this week I set each year group the challenge of earning the most positive praise on their first day back and my goodness they didn't disappoint. Year 8 narrowly won the Day One challenge (and got to come to break early today) but in just the first few days of the academic year over 10,000 positive points have been recorded on Class Charts!

Students have also returned looking very smart in their full school uniform. Just a reminder –

- Students are not permitted nose piercings
- Skirts should be knee length and not made from stretchy/tube material
- Leggings are not permitted
- Jewellery is limited to two small stud earrings

Our rewards focus this half term is around Back to Basics (B2Bs). Any student without a B2B will be invited to attend a celebration breakfast.

Spruce Up Sherburn –

Our site and STAR Eats teams have been busy over the holidays, sprucing up Sherburn. From new external doors, building work underway in what was the swimming pool and brand-new counters, display screens and queuing systems at lunch and break our site is continually improving. I'm especially pleased to see that the new queuing systems has dramatically speeded things up for students at lunch and break, an issue student leaders and the student survey identified for improvement.

Are you the parent or carer of a neurodivergent child?

Please see attached the leaflet with a link to peer support and wellbeing sessions.

And finally...



Monday 1st September marked our official first day as a member of the Yorkshire Learning Trust. I am excited about the new opportunities membership of this Trust will bring for our staff and students. But, as my assemblies to students made clear, our vision and values of Ambition, Respect and Community remain the same – and this week our students' attitudes to learning have turned this vision into reality.

It really has been a great start, well done to all and I look forward to the year ahead.

As always, thank you for on-going support,

Kind regards,

Miriam Oakley
Headteacher