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Holderness Academy
& Sixth Form College

Dear Parent/Carer

Great British Jubilee Picnic

It was a great way to end the half term by celebrating the Queen's platinum jubilee with our Great British Jubilee Picnic. Student behaviour throughout the day was excellent and the students bought into the spirit of the day. The students celebrated by wearing red, white and blue themed non-uniform. We also celebrated the day by extending the lunchtime so that students could have a picnic on the field. It was a real pleasure to walk around and see the students enjoying themselves and relaxing at the end of an eventful half term.

Students really delivered on our value of being respectful to the environment by leaving the field in top condition with minimal litter being left behind. As staff, we also celebrated the day by wearing non-uniform with many of us wearing fancy dress. I am pleased also to say that, collectively, over £500 was raised for Ruben's Voice, one of our local charities.

Sporting Activities

Recently we have had a number of sporting successes. Congratulations to the Year 7 boys' rugby team who were crowned Hull and East Riding plate final winners after a close 16-14 victory against Malet Lambert School. Congratulations to all the students involved, in not only winning the final, but in playing the game in the correct spirit.

We have had a lot of success in the sporting arena this year and I know as a school we are going to celebrate that success at the end of the term with an event in school.

Year 10 Work experience

Congratulations to all students in Year 10 who had such a positive work experience placement. I would also like to take the opportunity to thank all our stakeholders who provided such excellent placements for all young people.

The importance of work experience in securing an apprenticeship or college place has been reiterated many times. Work experience has become an important criterion for employers/colleges in recruiting prospective candidates. In a highly competitive job market, having good grades is just not sufficient. Students are often expected to prove their ability to work in an active, stimulating and vigorous work environment. In addition, work experience plays a vital role in improving the marketability of students amongst employers and colleges. Work experience is not just limited to helping students enhance their employability. There are several other personal benefits that students are most likely to receive from it. Having a successful placement allows students to reflect on how our values can support them on life after they have left the Academy.

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Rewards

Just before Half term we had a review of our positive rewards on class charts. As an academy we have given out over 500,000 rewards which means on average our students have earned nearly 500 rewards each. This is a clear indication of the strong climate for learning and positive behaviour around the school building and in classrooms. Again, just before half- term we rewarded staff and students with over 4,000 thank you cards. I know the time and effort people put into writing messages into those cards but the positive impact that the cards had on their recipients was immense and actually the act of being kind to a fellow colleague or student has a significant impact on the giver. In the last week with have had one of our students earn over 1,000 ARRK awards for delivering on our values, truly a remarkable achievement.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G Cannon', written in a cursive style.

Mr G Cannon
Interim Headteacher