



Malton School

A Specialist Science School



"A proper good summer!"

I hope you have all had an excellent summer. It reminded me of a good, old-fashioned summer of hot weather similar to the ones (in my mind!) that we used to have and which we don't seem to have had for a number of years now.

Excellent Results

It was also an excellent summer of results at both GCSE and A Level. The Year 11 students celebrated excellent results, the best in the school's history on almost every measure. The percentage of students achieving 5 or more grades at A*-C, including English and Maths, was a new record high at 65%. The percentage of students achieving at least 5 grades at C or above increased to 89%, beating the previous record of 82%. Malton showed its continuing success as an inclusive school as, for the first time, every single student achieved at least 5 GCSE pass grades. The most able students also performed very well with the proportion of A and A* grades being high and with over 30% of students meeting the requirements for the English Baccalaureate (grades C or above in English Language, Maths, 2 science subjects, a modern foreign language and either History or Geography). Special congratulations go to 9 students who achieved an outstanding 7 or more GCSE grades at A or A*: **Ailsa Anson, Christopher Grayson, Charlotte Housden, Emily Metcalfe, Alistair Mitchell, Philippa Norman, Naomi Richardson, James Simpson and Imogen Smith.**

Sixth Form students enjoyed another very successful year of A Level results. For the 7th consecutive year the school has exceeded the equivalent of an average of 3 A grades per student. The average total points score of 880 (270 points is an A grade) is very high and likely to be one of the best in North Yorkshire again. Particularly pleasing is the percentage of all grades achieved at grades A*-B, which has increased to 52%. The overall pass rate is 99%. The 7 year average total points score is 894. Once again a high proportion of students have secured places at Russell Group universities, including one at Oxford to read Physics, one for medicine and one for veterinary medicine.

Special congratulations go to the following 8 students who achieved 3 or more A or A* grades at A level: **Harry Hodgson, James Poole, Richard Ware, Joe Spencer, Laura Crick, Fraser Hudson, Hepzibah Baldwin, Alex Thorn and Ebony-Jane Ward.**

Taken as a whole, the GCSE and the A Level results reflect the best overall set of outcomes in the school's history. They are also the best overall set of results in the area. But as I have already said to the year groups facing external exams in the next two years, we expect even more. The school made significant changes to its working practices during the course of last year which had a partial impact on the 2013 results. We anticipate that the results in 2014 will reap the benefit of those changes more completely.



Providing a nurturing environment, inspiring every individual to flourish.

Change and Continuity

There have been a number of changes at the school that I need to make you all aware of. In terms of staffing, a number of colleagues have left us at the end of August, either due to retirement or promotion elsewhere. These are:

Mr Russell Mason, Science Teacher
Mr Barry Miller, Design Technology Teacher
Mrs Eileen Howell, Head of English
Mrs Ellen Stott, Head of Inclusion
Mrs Leah Butler, French Teacher
Ms Kirsten Cooper, Science Teacher
Mr Julian Marshall, Science Teacher
Mrs Margaret Briggs, Food Technology Teacher
Mr James Belham, Maths Teacher

I would like to thank all of these colleagues for their service to the school and wish them the very best for the future. In addition, we welcome back Mr Bruce who has been on a sabbatical year. Mrs Ludlow is on maternity leave and we wish her well. Welcome back to Mrs Wilcock, Mrs Turner and Mrs Bloxwich who have returned after their maternity leave.

Change creates opportunities for others and this year we have been able to re-focus our staffing to prepare ourselves better for the new priorities that are emerging in secondary education. We believe we have made some excellent new appointments and we welcome a number of new staff to the school:

Mr Mark Else, Head of Inclusion
Miss Nicola Burrow, RE and History Teacher
Miss Carly Parker, Food Technology Teacher
Mr Sean Slattery, Science Teacher
Miss Hayley Spiers, Drama and English Teacher
Mr Nick Hymer, (maternity cover) MFL Teacher
Mrs Jo Dale, SSCO and PE Teacher
Neil Lockhart, Coach Driver
Caitlin Mitchell, Science Technician
Kenton Leiataua, PE Technician and Rugby Coach
April Ainley, Minibus Driver

What won't change is our total commitment to do the very best for the young people we serve and for this community. We owe a great debt to the community and to you all for your continuing support and for helping to make this school a very special environment. We will continue as a staff team to put everything into repaying that debt with interest. Our standards are already high but there is no complacency and we are determined to make further improvements.

If you have any suggestions, queries or comments I would be delighted to receive them directly via my email address – rjw@maltonschool.org .

Mr Rob Williams
Headteacher

Leave of Absence During Term Time

Due to recent changes in Government Legislation regarding leave of absence during term time, schools are no longer able to authorise holidays in term time as of September 2013. However, you can apply for leave of absence at the Head teacher's discretion in 'exceptional circumstances'. If leave of absence is taken without approval it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence and may result in a Fixed Penalty Charge Notice, under section 44 of the Education Act 1996, this will result in a fine.

Plea from the Music Department

If any of you have any instruments at home that are sat gathering dust, unloved and not being played, the Music department would be happy to give them a new home where they will be loved and cherished and most importantly... used! We are particularly looking for alto and tenor saxophones and guitars (acoustic or electric). If you have an instrument but don't want to give it away as it is valuable and in excellent condition then I would be happy to discuss reasonable terms for its purchase. In school we now have lots of instrumental teachers working with students. Lessons available are: Drums, Bass, Guitar (electric and acoustic) Singing, Flute, Sax, Clarinet, Oboe, Trumpet/Cornet, Trombone, Piano Violin, Viola, Cello and Double Bass. If your child is interested in learning to play please come and see Mr. Taylor for information. Forthcoming dates for your diary: October 2, Music career workshop for Year 10, October 4, Soul Band gig at the Yard in Malton, October 23, Joint Schools Music event, Milton Rooms.

School transport consultation

There are potential changes happening to home to school transport. We understand that the consultation began on 9 August and will run until 25 November 2013. The proposed changes to school transport are summarised on Page 29 of the "Proposed reductions to bus service subsidy – Local Bus Information – Ryedale Area" The proposals will affect the following routes to/from Malton School.

195R : Hovingham – Malton School
199R : Amotherby – Malton – Sherburn (PM ONLY)
201R : Birdsall/Westow/Leavening (PM ONLY)
226R : Acklam/Leavening/Norton College + Link Bus

This is the link to the NYCC consultation for transport <http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/busconsultation>.

Please respond to the consultation and make your views known. The school will respond strongly. We are the North Yorkshire secondary school with the highest proportion of students on main school roll travelling to us from outside of our designated catchment area. We hope that all or some of the existing services will be continued by NYCC. But the school will not abandon those families who are currently with us, their younger siblings or other families wanting to join us. The school will be looking closely at how we may meet any shortfall in transport services in September 2014 arising from this consultation.

Props and Costumes

We are on the lookout for donations of any props and costumes for our new Drama Department. If you have anything hiding away, we would greatly appreciate it in school for future productions. Any donations can be left in the East Wing Office or given directly to Miss Spiers in the English/Drama Department.

London trip

Towards the end of the summer term, students and staff enjoyed a fun filled packed trip up to London. Students and staff enjoyed a trip on the London Eye, followed by tea at 'Fire and Stone'. In the evening they took in the magnificent show 'Matilda', which students and staff thought was fantastic. They all returned to their hotel ready for a good sleep. Day two started with a visit to the British Museum followed by the Harry Potter Experience in the afternoon. This trip is always packed full of activities, everybody thoroughly enjoyed it. Many thanks to Ms Nichols for organising the trip and everyone else involved.



Students take a trip on the London Eye

Malton Show

The sun shone down on the Malton Show this year. We all had an excellent day with plenty of visitors. Our school jazz band played to the crowd all day, our budding artists received lots of praise, watch out Glenn Miller Band! Matt Woollons entertained and wowed the crowds with his magic routine, back in Yorkshire after his trip earlier in the Year to America, where he progressed through to the finals of the Young Magician of the Year Competition. Our Science bubble went down a storm with the visitors, old and young alike couldn't believe their eyes when their whole bodies were encapsulated in the bubble!



Thomas Allen tries the bubble

We had Art competitions for KS3 students and Primary School students, the theme of which was farming. The President's Special Award, which was the overall award in the Art competitions, went to Isobel Donaldson. Watch out David Hockney - we have found up and coming artists from across Yorkshire, well done to all who took part. All in all the show was a great success for Malton School and the community alike. We look forward to next year. Many thanks to all who helped and supported us at the show and for your continued support throughout the year.

Smashing Start for Sixth Form Students

I'm sitting here writing this as the rain hammers down on the minibus roof watching a group of determined Year 12 students solving a team building challenge outside. This has been a damp end to a cracking week for the new entrants to the sixth form. The first two days of our East Barnby induction visit saw students taking part in a wide range of team and confidence building activities including gorge scrambling, mountain biking, canoeing and kayaking in the sunshine of the last warm days of summer. However, today the weather changed and the students have shown remarkable resilience to complete the adventure race in terrible conditions. We are looking to review the long established induction course ready for next year's students and would welcome the thoughts of any current, recent and even future participants and their parents. However, it is clear that the East Barnby experience is one that many students look back on with fond memories for many years and that the skills and friendships that are established serve our students well as they start the challenging sixth form years. This year has been no exception and I have been particularly pleased at the way students from all the schools in Ryedale have been welcomed and integrated with the former Malton students.

Mr Rob Cook
Head of Sixth Form



Year 12 students kitted out ready to go!

MALTON SCHOOL
Welcomes everyone to its
ANNUAL OPEN EVENING
THURSDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2013

6.30 - 9.00 pm

**Introductory presentation
for Year 6 Students and Parents**

**All areas of the school open,
with demonstrations, displays and
interactive events**

**Whilst the main presentation will be for
Year 6 children and their families,
parents and children of all ages and
members of the community are warmly
invited to enjoy touring the school,
meeting staff and seeing what we do.**

Early Closing Time

In relation to the open evening, parents should be aware that lessons will finish for most students at 2.35 pm on Thursday 26 September.

Students who live locally and can make their way home, may leave at this time. Provision will be made for those who need to wait for buses, which will arrive at the normal time (3.35pm).

Art Exhibition

The annual art exhibition of students' examination work took place at Malton School on Thursday 27 June. A variety of invited guests, parents, teachers and students past and present gathered to view the impressive range and variety of work on display. This year guests were treated to music provided by Mr Taylor our Music Teacher and students from the GCSE Music class at school, as they perused the Art on offer. The evening began with the award of the annual Emma Howard Memorial Art Prize. Mr and Mrs Howard presented this year's winner **Anatita Marr**. As always our thanks go to the Howards for their continuing support of our artwork.



Anatita Marr

Year 11 Prom

The class of 2008-13 Prom in the school hall on Wednesday 26 June was a huge success. Students gathered in their finery at the school, arriving in an array of transport including tractors new and vintage, limousine, open top cars and a camper van! The evening started with photographs outside the school. Students then enjoyed a disco in the hall. At the end of the evening the Prom King and Prom Queen were announced - **Daniel Bell** was Prom King and **Tiffany Daniels** was Prom Queen. Many thanks to all who helped make the night a special one.



Tiffany Daniels and Daniel Bell



Students gather outside the west wing for photographs before the evening begins

An Invisible Man

In July, key stage four had the pleasure of a performance by 'An Invisible Man', a group which performs in schools outlining risky behaviour. They covered topics on alcohol and drug abuse and other family planning activities which young adults face in everyday life. They looked at diseases, their causes and cures, acting out relevant scenarios. The students found the performances highly educational. Thank you to 'An Invisible Man' for coming into school to educate us.



Risky behaviour workshop



MALTON COMMUNITY SPORTS CENTRE

ACTIVITY FOR ALL

Facility Regeneration

It has been a busy summer at MCSC and at Malton School. The past 3 months have seen a series of regeneration work being undertaken to both the East and West Wing gymnasiums



The East Wing now boasts a state of the art drama studio, with superb lighting and sound systems, stage and window curtains and a full cinema set-up. Work to the hall also included a full restoration of the semi sprung floor and the addition of mirrors, making the room the perfect setting for classes such as dance, yoga and pilates. Completing the room is a retractable seating system, catering for 200 people



The West Wing gym has had a floor to ceiling make over, bringing the room up to date, along with a full restoration of the floor and a brand new, ultra energy efficient lighting system.

The West Wing project was funded primarily by a grant from Awards for All and will now be available for use to school, sport and community groups

For information call Jay Rowley
For info



Malton Junior Netball Club

Are you interested in developing as an individual and team netballer?



In partners with Ali Sellars and Tricia Martin, MCSC is hosting a new junior netball club

Both Tricia and Ali have a wealth of experience and are All England Netball Level 2 qualified coaches

Starts Tuesday 10 Sept 2013

6pm – 7pm Years 6-8

7pm - 8pm Years 9-11

10 Weekly coaching sessions
Open to players in Years 6-11

To join call MCSC on 01653 605365

New to MCSC

Belly Dancing Classes

The class is aimed at all ages and levels of fitness. The sessions will help improve coordination, core strength, posture and flexibility and are all great fun

Bare midriffs are optional!

Tuesdays, 7-8pm @ East Wing Studio

For further information, please contact Larissa on 07790542987 / Larissa@talktalk.co.uk

SCHOOL SHOP

School Shop opening hours are as follows:

Daily 8.00-9.00 am
Break 11.20-11.35 am (students only)

Closed over lunchtime

2.00-3.30 pm (except Tuesdays open until 4.15 pm parents/carers to collect)

For more information on uniform we sell in our school shop, please do not hesitate to request a copy of our school shop price list which has all the information you need regarding uniform.

Please ensure all items of clothing including coats are clearly labelled. We have had a number of students who have lost items of clothing at school which have not been named.

Music on a Summer's Eve – Summer Concert

A fantastic evening of music and song was had by all who attended our summer concert at the end of summer - the sun shone down and the music wowed guests. The Orchestra played throughout the evening, Glee Club performed as well as the Jazz Band fresh from their performance at Malton Show. Cameron Race performed a solo rendition of Mr Bojangles and James and Hannah Poole performed a beautiful duet. Tom and Joe Wing gave a great acoustic mix and Alex Biles and his father performed a piece which was written by them. The second half was taken over by the Soul Band which performed favourites like Mustang Sally, Price tag, Mercy and the award winning Forget You, the audience were encouraged to sing along and dance. Many thanks to Julian Taylor and Steve Smith in the Music Department for their organisation of the concert, also to all others who helped and performed and last but not least to you all who came along and supported the school.



The junior choir in full swing!

www.maltonschool.org

Please visit our website at the above address, where you will find news headlines, sports news, this newsletter and past newsletters, information about the school, links to our parent portal, VLE and contact details.

Final Assembly/Talent Show

The whole school final assembly took place on the last afternoon of term. The talent show was incorporated into the final assembly with students being entertained by Alex Biles on his trumpet, Tom and Joe Wing on their ukuleles, the Year 9 band Obviously Something, Ryan Perry played a solo piece on the piano, Lydia Porter sang and Beth Armstrong gave a fantastic dance routine, with Matt Woollons spinning us a magic trick along the way! The Music department have had a very busy year under the guidance of Mr Taylor, they have performed in numerous events at school as well as the Tate-Smith's summer ball and at the Malton Food Festival. Sporting awards are also handed out at the final assembly. It gives a nice feel to the west wing hall when the whole school are gathered to support fellow students.



Tom Wing, winner of the Talent Show

Help

Donations of outgrown girls and boys school trousers would be very welcome, we hold a small stock of tidy trousers to cover any split trouser incidents, unfortunately our stock has become rather depleted of late. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

First Aid

Students in 8H completed a 10 week first aid course with the help of the Red Cross before the end of the summer term. They learnt about the safety of their casualties and themselves along with practical experience of bandaging. Other topics covered were, injuries, illnesses, bleeding and life saving treatments. All the students passed with flying colours and received a certificate. The highlight was carrying out CPR on the 'Rescusi-Annies', which were very kindly donated by the Governors and PTA. A big thank you to Mrs Green who helped the students through the course.



First aiders in action

**PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Wednesday 2 October 2013
at 7.00 pm
in the Sixth Form Common Room**

Please come along and help us raise money to improve your child's education. It is also a good way of finding out more about the running of the school and also being able to give feedback to the school.

If you would like to be kept informed of PTA events please email: pta@malton.n-yorks.sch.uk

Thank you

A big thank you to all who contributed to our fundraising activities. We have given approximately £4000 towards school facilities this year, including self adjusting clocks in all classrooms as requested by students, first aid mannequins, jewellery making materials for DT, bibs and balls for PE, equipment for the Music department and last but not least, the screen, projector and sound equipment for the new drama studio. We hope you will support us again and hope for another successful year! We look forward to seeing you at our AGM, if you wish to become more involved or help at any future events, your support is greatly appreciated.



Many thanks to everyone who brought in Sainsbury's vouchers, we have replenished a full class set of baking sheets, wooden spoons and cooking utensils in our Food Technology Department.

African Choir

On Monday 14 October we are pleased to welcome an African Choir into school to spend the day with us. The pinnacle of the day will be a concert at 7.00 pm in the Drama Studio at the East Wing. Everyone is welcome to come along, tickets cost £2.00 per person and will be available on the door or prior to the event from West Wing Reception.

Maths Drop-In Sessions

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
Room 21
3.35 pm—5.00 pm

Open to all students/year groups
Computers are available for MyMaths work
Maths teacher in attendance
Come along and get help with your homework
Revise for exams or just to do some extra maths!

7 Air

7A had a very busy end to last term, they worked together as a form group to produce a bake sale and bring and buy sale before the summer holidays, to raise funds for Malala Day, which went very well and they managed to raise over £30. Thank you to all who contributed and supported this event. They also supported the 'Send my Friend to School Campaign' in which they made paper teachers to acknowledge the fact that 1.7 million teachers are needed globally just to provide a primary school education for children throughout the world. They sent their paper teachers and an accompanying letter to MP Anne McIntosh, in the hope that she can raise this issue with the Prime Minister. Students really feel that every child should have the chance to achieve big things by having the help of a kind caring teacher to give them a primary education. They hope that they can make an impact on giving children all around the world an education.



**Textiles club
(formerly knitting club)
Thursday lunchtimes
Room 7 (1.00 pm)**

We are on the hunt for spare material for our textiles club. If you have any fabric or felt, all donations would be greatly received.



**Getting to Know You -
Year 6 Introductory Days**

On Tuesday and Wednesday 25 and 26 June, Year 6 pupils joined us from Primary Schools around Ryedale. It was their first chance to come together before forming our new Year 7 cohort in September. On the first day they began with an assembly taken by Mrs Thorpe, Head of Year 7/Transition, where they met the rest of the Key Stage 3 team. They also learnt which house they were in (Air, Fire, Earth and Water). The rest of the day was spent in the Science department. On the second day they had a taste of lessons including History and Modern Languages.



Learning how to use a Bunsen burner and the art of skipping!

Attendance

We are keen to have all students in school learning every day unless they really are too poorly to come to school.

May we remind all Parents/Carers of the dedicated **24-hour answer phone line on 01653 605303.**

Please use this number to inform us about student absence.

Sports news

Congratulations

Matthew Watson has been selected to play for the North Yorkshire Schools U14's Cricket Team. He also plays for the Yorkshire Taveners. Well done Matthew, keep up the good work.

Oliver Hildreth

Oliver competed in the Yorkshire Biathlon in July at Driffild and came third. He will now go on to the event at Queen Margaret's in October. Good luck Oliver!

Ryan Gaughan and Shaun Harland

Have both been selected for Yorkshire B Team Cricket.

Samantha Heslop

Has been selected and has captained the North Yorkshire Cricket Team.

Malton School Tennis Tournament

Again this year we had an exceptionally high standard of play from all the students who participated in the tournament. **Robert Ingram** was crowned boys singles champion, runner-up was

Arik Abrahams. **Emma Wharrick** was crowned girls champion, **Olive Ferguson** was runner-up.

The mixed doubles title went to **Samantha Heslop** and **Oscar Johnston**, with **Emma Wharrick** and **Arik Abrahams** runners-up. Congratulations to all students who took part.



(L-R) Oscar Johnston, Samantha Heslop, Arik Abrahams and Emma Wharrick



Please remember trips and music lessons can be paid for using our online payment service, ParentPay. If you require more information please contact the school.

For a full update on our sporting triumphs and updates in our sports department throughout the last year, please visit our website www.maltonschool.org.

Calendar—Autumn Term

September

Mon 02	Staff Training Days
Tues 03	(School closed to students) Y12 registration
Weds 04	Y7 and 13 start school Y12 residential at East Barnby
Thurs 05	Y8, 9, 10, 11 and 13 start school Y7 Photographs pm
Mon 09	Y12 start timetable
Tues 10	Y12 Transition Evening
Thurs 12	Newsletter 1 issued
Fri 13	Y10 Geography Field Trip to York
Tues 17	Y10 Transition Evening
Thurs 19	Y11 Geography Fieldwork Trip
Thurs 26	Early Finish Period 4 Open Evening
Fri 27	Y8 - 11 Flamingoland Trip Y7 Carlton Lodge Trip

October

Weds 09	Sponsored Walk pm
Mon 14	African Choir Concert
Thurs 17	Y11 1st Assessment → Home Y13 Parents Evening
Thurs 24	Y8 & 9 1st Assessment → Home

November

Mon 04	Training Day
Weds 06	Maths GCSE Linear Exam
Thurs 07	Y10 1st Assessment → Home Y7 Review Day (collect assessments) Senior Maths Challenge
Fri 08	Maths GCSE Linear Exam
Weds 13	Senior Maths Challenge
Thurs 14	Newsletter 2 issued Y12 1st Assessment → Home Sixth Form Open Evening
Thurs 21	Celebration Evening
Mon 25	Y11 Mock Exams

December

Mon 02	Y9 trip to France
Weds 04	Y12 Parents Evening
Thurs 05	Y13 2nd Assessment → Home
Thurs 12	Christmas Concert
Mon 16	Y7 & 8 Carol Service A Level certificates presentation pm
Weds 18	Christmas Carol Service
Thurs 19	Y9 & 11 2nd Assessment → Home
Fri 20	Last day of term

Dates Of Terms 2013-14

First Day	Last Day	Day Closures
Wed 04 Sept	Fri 25 Oct	Mon & Tues 02 & 03 Sept Mon 04 Nov
Tues 05 Nov	Fri 20 Dec	
Mon 06 Jan	Fri 14 Feb	
Mon 24 Feb	Fri 04 Apr	
Wed 23 Apr	Fri 23 May	Mon & Tues 21 & 22 Apr Mon 05 May
Mon 02 Jun	Tues 22 Jul	Fri 27 Jun