

Welcome to the first "News from across the Trust". We hope that you will find this newsletter useful and that it will give you an insight into what is happening at schools across the Trust. We are hoping that this will be issued termly dependent on what news we have to share with you.

The Trust has grown significantly over the last 12 months and we are now responsible for educating over 5000 learners and we employ over 800 staff across all four sites. Our staff are very important to us and we hope that all of you have had the opportunity to watch the Trust video and see the guiding principles of the Trust. "Believe in the Team" is all about our people - we are successful due to the hardwork, effort and dedication of all our staff who all make up "The Team". We are committed to developing our staff and we would like to grow our internal talent and, as you will see from the school updates below, we have already started.

Trust Team Updates

Monitoring and Evaluation Calendar

We are currently creating the main Monitoring and Evaluation calendar that creates the framework for the main school calendar. Each school will then be provided with this framework for the Office Managers to start populating the individual school events.

Trust Training

We are looking forward to the first Trust Training event on the April training day. Sorry to colleagues in Driffield, your extra training day was used back in September, but we are planning more joint training in 2017-18.

HR Structure

We have been working on a flatter structure for the HR teams in all schools and each secondary school now has an HR Administrator who will support a HR Advisor. They will be overseen by Lisa Pipes, Director of HR and Emma Siddy who will join the Trust in April as Head of HR.

Timetable

The timetable for the 2017-18 academic year is now under construction and John Loftus will be liaising with each school with any questions or queries regarding staffing.

Trust Team

We would like to start by introducing the Trust team. These are the staff who you will see in all Trust schools.



Miss C Abbott
CEO



Mr J Uttley
Executive Principal



Mrs J Maund
Senior Trust Director



Mr J Loftus
Senior Trust Director



Miss V Marsh
Trust Director
of English



Ms A Fletcher
Trust Director
of Science



Mrs J Donkersloot
Trust Director of
Support and Learning



Mrs A Harrison
Associate Trust
Director of English



Mrs J Jewitt
Trust Director
of Finance



Ms L Pipes
Trust Director of HR



Mrs F Roper
Trust PA to CEO

Payroll In-House

The payroll administration will be taken in-house and Driffield was the first school to be changed and after a few teething issues partly due to the TUPE transfer at the same time, we are very pleased with the transition. The remaining Trust schools will be brought in-house one at a time.

Interest in other schools joining the Trust

We receive a lot of interest from schools enquiring about becoming part of Trust. We always take a balanced view to see whether a school is right for the Trust and equally if we are right for the school. Due Diligence is then undertaken by the Trust Team and any decision to take another school into the Trust is always made after careful consideration of any risks to the other schools in the Trust by the Board.

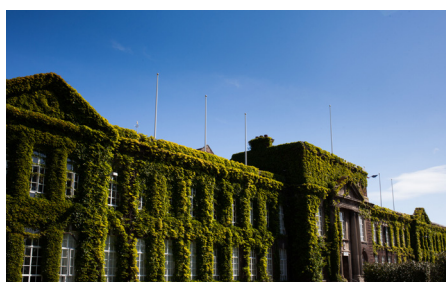
Did you know?

We have been asked to take part in a second series of Educating Yorkshire on more than one occasion!



Wolds TSA & Yorkshire Wolds Teacher Training

September 2017 will see Yorkshire Wolds Teacher Training take its first intake of trainees. YWTT, part of The Education Alliance, offers school-led teacher training and Qualified Teacher Status (QTS) for trainee teachers. Trainees will be placed in a wide range of school-based settings, working with outstanding practitioners throughout the Trust. During the year-long course, trainees will spend time, as a group, working with the school-led teacher training team engaging in our comprehensive ITT development sessions; covering pedagogy, practice and theory sessions. This includes a one-week induction to education programme at the beginning of the course and approximately one day a week throughout the year. All trainees will also have the chance to study towards a Post Graduate Certificate in Education. So far, 14 primary and secondary trainees have accepted places for September and the recruitment round remains open.



Malet Lambert

Following the opening of The Space at South Hunsley, The Cube is now being relocated to Malet Lambert. The Cube is a self contained catering unit which will be used to provide baguettes to students as we try to encourage them to stay on site over lunchtimes for obvious safeguarding reasons. We hope that this will be as well received at Malet as it was at South Hunsley.

Moves are well under way for the launch of the new House System on Friday 30 June 2017. The names have been chosen and we are very excited to be working on the design of the new house logos. Students are currently being sorted into Houses to ensure an even spread across the school.

Congratulations to Stuart Gray who has been promoted to Director of Maths, Sarah Beadle who has been promoted to Head of English and Keri Pearson has been promoted to Affiliate Director and will continue this alongside her role as Year 11 Progress Leader. Congratulations also to Victoria Walker who has been successful with her application to Head of House.

Welcome to Karl Keeton, Karl has been appointed as Teacher of ICT. Karl is also maintaining the website for Malet Lambert as well as looking after marketing for the school and creating a website for The Education Alliance.

Did you know?

We have 29 buses that transport our learners including one with no engine! (The Primary Walking Bus)



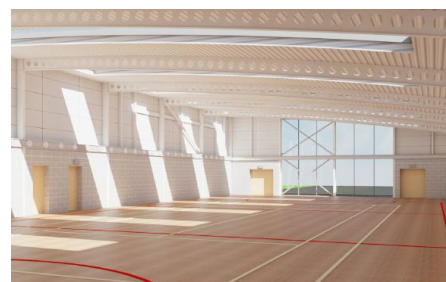
Hunsley Primary

There is currently a planning application for a modular building to be added to the present site to provide extra teaching space for the 2017-18 intake.

The permanent site is progressing and work on the initial infrastructure is underway and the plans are starting to look very exciting.

Initial indications show that the school will be full in September 2017, if not over-subscribed, and parents will find out whether their application has been successful over the Easter holidays.

The wraparound care provision is provided on site by Building Bricks, an outstanding provider. They also run sessions during the school holidays which are open to anyone aged 3-9 and further details can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/Building-Bricks-at-Hunsley-Primary-School-1530122880611453>.



South Hunsley School

The Space, a 600 seat exam and dining hall, opens in early April following the remodelling of the sports facilities.

Congratulations to Sandy Loynd who has been promoted to School Improvement Leader. Sandy is also a Science Specialist.

Congratulations to Angie Harrison who has been promoted to Associate Trust Director of English, Andrew Stannard who has been promoted to Subject Leader of Business, Debbie Lord who is now the permanent Office Manager and Vicky Klein who has been promoted to Trust Governance Clerk.

Congratulations also to Chad Bullivant who has been appointed as Head of Physics at South Hunsley from his teaching post at Driffeld School.

We have successfully appointed 2 House Leaders and well done to Luke Duerden who has been promoted and will be joined by an external candidate.

Congratulations to Alison Burnitt who has been successful in her application as Head of History at Driffeld School.



Driffield School

Debbie Dalton has been appointed as Acting Deputy Head until summer alongside Barry Evans who joins the school at Easter. Cathy Hogben has been internally promoted to Director of Maths and she will be supported by Alex Amers who is now acting Head of Maths. David Hudson has been successful in his application as Head of Business and ICT.

Congratulations also go to Rose Backhouse who is now Director of Science and Mike Evans and Ash Drury will be joining her leadership team as Head of Biology and Head of Physics.

We have already commenced our student recruitment programme for the 2017-18 academic year and you may have noticed Tom the photographer and his entourage on site recently (thank you to Matt, Jane and Wendy for assisting). These images will now be used in the school prospectus which is currently being created.

