



Principal's Update



20th March 2026

This week, Tommy P has put together the whole update himself. Take a look below at all his hard work!



Meet our DDSL & Student Welfare Officer

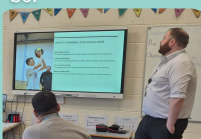
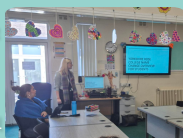
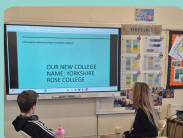
Following 16 years in the safeguarding and social care sector, Hannah continues to pursue her dreams of helping individuals and their families at the earlier stages of their adult life. After excitingly accepting an interview offer, she attended with a limp and a smile (she had fallen down a waterfall a few weeks earlier and took her leg out of action). At 15 years old, she completed an apprenticeship with Connexions Humber in Business Administration and started working full time at Learning and Behaviour Support (Doncaster Council), she then became a Court Admin Clerk in Scunthorpe Magistrates Court. She worked in admin roles for the Social Care sector, then pursued her career in caring for individuals with various neurological and care needs. She says she is a big believer of resilience and not giving up on your dreams, regardless of your start in life!

Fun facts about Hannah:

- She is usually on some kind of adrenaline adventure outdoors - the more spontaneous the better!
- She loves spending time with her family and friends.
- Her favourite memory is holding a baby lion in Turkey.
- Her nickname is 'Dora the Explorer' due to her going adventuring in her kayak all the time.
- She enjoys wild swimming.
- She used to play the violin.
- She has met Danny Dyer, Will Mellor and Princess Ann.

Tutor Groups

During tutor group time, all students were actively engaged, either watching the PowerPoint or discussing what they had seen. The group showed strong interest in the college's rebranding, commenting on the modernised logo, updated colour scheme, and the reasoning behind the new college and trust name. There was also a light-hearted but enthusiastic discussion about practical changes, with many students particularly curious about what colour the new lanyards will be!



Jobs Fair

The careers team are pleased to announce that we will be hosting our first onsite Jobs Fair for our students which will be taking from 1-4pm on Tuesday 24th March in the Sports Hall. We have a range of employers, voluntary opportunities and support agencies that will be giving up their time to speak with our students. We would encourage all students to come over and start some conversations about their future! The event will be broken down into 3 main sessions. We would expect most students to come over 1-1:50pm and we have planned a quieter session for our deaf learners and wheelchair users from 2:10-3pm. Finally, we are opening up the last hour from 3-4 pm for parents to attend on their own or with their young people. Interpreters will be available from 2-4pm.

Animal Care

Jackie would like to share an adorable photo of Jess, our bearded dragon from Animal care, who she adopted in December. As you can see, she has made good friends with Jackie's dog, Douglas.

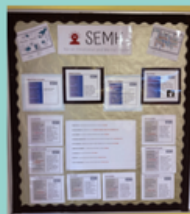


Buddy the Otter



Vicky has given Buddy to Lizzy Johnson, saying, "You are amazing when talking to potential students and their parents, supporting them with their anxieties and making sure the environment, when interviewing students is calm and relaxed. You work so hard in building relationships with potential students, their families and placements, this being behind the 'scene'. Through me supporting in student interviews, it is clearly evident how passionate, supportive and committed you are in your role. You're otterly awesome!"

SEMH Display



The SEMH notice display is now completed. This is in the Library and is accessible to all students and staff. Hannah will rotate information in relation to issues/concerns/awareness relevant at the time. The current agenda is: Where can I get support? & Who can I talk to? If students have any mental health concerns, please speak to Hannah Turford or the Emotional Wellbeing Team.

Staff Appreciation



Annalisa would like to nominate Karren Scorer, saying, "Karren has developed the sweet shop with new signs, name tags in BSL, visual timetables and signs all in BSL as well. She has made lots of resources to suit the needs of the students. She has worked in her own time and spent hours sewing onto new aprons."