



Principal's Update



5th June 2026



Meet our BSL College Administrator

Santa has been working at Yorkshire Rose College for 11 years, beginning her time in reception and gaining experience across several different departments. She is now proud to be part of the BSL team, where she continues to develop her skills and support others. She says she was also honoured to receive an appreciation certificate from The Carr Fenton Foundation.

Fun facts about Santa:

- She enjoys spending time with her family.
- She enjoys going on long walks.
- She enjoys bike riding.
- One of her favourite activities is visiting the seaside and walking along the coast.

World Cup Kick-Off

On Thursday 11th June, staff and students are encouraged to come dressed in a football kit, sportswear, or the colours of their favourite team. A minimum donation of £1 is kindly requested to take part. Please see the second page of this update for the themed menu being offered in the canteen.

Weekly Informal BSL Sessions

Weekly informal BSL group sessions for staff will be starting next week on Monday 8th June 3:30-4:45pm at Parker's Café. Everyone is welcome to join these informal and interactive BSL sessions led by Kayleigh Gray and Lisa Palmer, with Hannah Anderson present to support the sessions. The atmosphere will be relaxed, with opportunities to share experiences and support one another in developing BSL vocabulary across departments.

Please feel free to speak to Kayleigh or Lisa if you have any questions or would like further information about the sessions. We would also like to thank Rachel W and Karl P for their support in making this happen. Please support Parker's Café by purchasing your tea or coffee during the session. Have fun learning!

Buddy the Otter

This week, Kerry has given Buddy to Steph Healy-Bullock, saying, "Thank you for your continued dedication and commitment to supporting our students. Your positive contribution has had a significant impact on their learning, development, and overall experience. I would also like to recognise your work in establishing and developing the new gardening project, which has provided valuable opportunities for students to build practical skills, confidence, teamwork, and a greater understanding of the natural environment. Your enthusiasm and hard work are greatly appreciated and have made a meaningful difference to both the students and the staff."



Staff Appreciation

The Careers team would like to nominate Mark Elliot, saying, "We'd like to extend our sincere thanks to Mark for the time, effort, and dedication he has shown in arranging a work experience placement with our maintenance team. He took the time to meet with the student personally, building a connection and identifying meaningful learning opportunities. We truly appreciate his commitment and support."

Yorkshire Rose College Fashion Show

On Tuesday 9th June 1-3pm, the Yorkshire Rose College Fashion Show will be taking place. Parents are required to book a free ticket in advance to secure their place using the link below:
<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/thecarrfentonfoundation/2229496>

Careers and Transition

Before half-term, we had a range of external visitors joining us to speak with our students. These sessions have provided valuable insights into future pathways, employment opportunities, and support services available beyond college.

We were delighted to welcome Ed and Michelle from Stride Yorkshire, who introduced students to their Independence and Employability pathways. They were joined by former student Beth, who shared her inspiring journey into employment. Her experience gave students a real-life example of progression and success after college.

We also welcomed David from Deaf Solutions, who delivered an informative session about both employment opportunities and the support services available to help individuals on their journey to independence.

In addition, Kevin from SEA Support Services visited to speak with our DEC students about the tailored support available to them, helping to bridge the gap between education and independent living/employment.

These visits have been incredibly beneficial in helping students build their understanding of opportunities available and supporting their aspirations for the future.

World Cup Kick Off Menu

To celebrate the start of the World Cup, our lunchtime menu will be World Cup themed, including these extras:

Choice of Main:

- Burger Style Mac & Cheese
- Garlic Bread Grilled Cheese

Sides:

- Green Beans
- Tater Tots

Dessert:

- Chocolate Chip Cookie

THURSDAY
11TH JUNE

Join us by showing your team spirit!

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