



SCHOOL NEWS FRIDAY, 4 APRIL

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to this term's parental update bulletin. Each bulletin, we say how busy the term has been and the Spring term this year has been no exception, with so much going on and so much success to celebrate. As always, this is a testament to the hard work of our fantastic students, and to our dedicated staff who work hard to provide students with so many enriching opportunities. Thank you to all of them. I hope that you gain a sense of the vibrancy of what goes on at Temple Moor through these articles.

Additionally, we are keen to recognise the hard work of our current Y10, 11 and 13 students who are coming up to examinations. Y10 PPE exams begin shortly after Easter, with Y11 and Y13 external exams closely following these. As always, we want all students to feel confident in their preparedness for these examinations and encourage students to access the extensive intervention programmes and revision materials being offered to them.

We wish all families a restful Easter break, and thank you for their continued support of the school this term.

Yours sincerely,

Mr West

Principal



UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Friday 4 April Battlefields History trip (4th - 7th)
- Tuesday 15 April Sicily Geography trip (15th - 18th)
- Monday 28 April Y10 Parent/Teacher Consultations - online
- Monday 28 April Y10 PPE's (28th April - 2nd May)
- Thursday 15 May Malaga Sports trip (15th - 19th)
- Monday 23 June Y7 Parent/Teacher Consultations - online
- Wednesday 2 July Wimbledon trip (2nd - 3rd)
- Monday 7 July Y12 Work Experience Week
- Monday 14 July Cranedale residential for our Y12 biologists











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YEAR 11 EXAMS

With the final run up to the exams in full swing with only 4 weeks to go, we wanted to let you know what's going on around school to help support our students. Whilst we appreciate this can be a challenging time, we want to make sure our students feel as ready and prepared as they possibly can, as this feeling is the best springboard to success.

The GCSE exams start WC 28 April and finish WC 16 June. Students have been provided with personalised timetables and an overview will be sent out to you shortly.

Easter Interventions - students should have already signed up.

07/04/25	Science	All Day
08/04/25	BTEC Creative Media BTEC Enterprise English Language Psychology	Afternoon Morning All Day
09/04/25	BTEC Textiles English Literature	All Day
10/04/25	Mathematics	All Day
14/04/25	Art Photography	Morning/ Afternoon/ All Day Morning/ Afternoon/ All Day
15/04/25	Spanish	All Day

REVISION TOP TIPS:

- Start now. Little and often. It is scientifically proven that hours of revision before an exam is not conducive as the knowledge is not able to be retained. Instead, regular visits and frequent testing of knowledge will help support with retention.
- Attend as many extra intervention sessions as possible – Easter school; after school; Saturdays. Information has been sent out via Arbor, but please remind students to check in with their teachers to see what is on offer.
- Student wellbeing a good sleep schedule, a healthy diet, and light, regular exercise are all proven factors to contribute to success.

Please find a link below to our **Supporting Success video** which outlines some key revision strategies. We have a wealth of resources that are ideal for short, snappy, regular revision bursts – GCSE Pod, Sparx Maths, BBC Bitesize, to name a few.

Temple Moor High School & Sixth Form - Red Kite <u>Learning Trust - Supported Study and Revision</u>

ADDITIONAL SUPPORT:

<u>Staying mentally healthy during exams - click HERE.</u>

Leaver's Assembly - Thursday 19 June

In school, 9am start in Main Hall. A great opportunity to reflect on the students' time here at Temple Moor.

Year 11 Prom - Thursday 26 June More details will follow.

Results Day - Thursday 21 August

Students come in to school to receive their GCSE grades. More details will follow.











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YEAR 13 EXAMS

The A-Level examinations start 12 May and finish 20 June.

Over Easter, subjects will be running revision sessions to support students. Students have been sent the timetabke and should have signed up to attend.

REVISION

Below is a link to a series of resources that were shared at the Year 13 Supporting Success Evening during this half term. Within these are a series of effective revision strategies that can be used for their subjects and advice on the most effective way to structure revision.

Sixth Form - Revision. Click HERE

SUPPORT OFFERED TO STUDENTS:

Student are being supported to prepare for their exams in the following ways:

- P6 Intervention These are timetabled intervention sessions, please support us to ensure your child attends these sessions.
- Friday Form Time Revision Support Y13 will be working alongside Post 16 form tutors to help support and structure their revision.
- Form Time Revision strategies are being discussed within form time to support students to know the most effective strategies to use. Additionally wellbeing during the exam period is being focused on during form time.
- Directed Study Periods These are being used to support students to structure their time more effectively in supporting their completion of revision in school time.
- Online Resources UpLearn, Seneca Learning and Tutor2U are effective revision websites that students can access to support their revision.

Year 13 Leavers Party- Friday 4 July

Barnbow, Crossgates. A fantastic party to celebrate the students' successes and draw their Temple Moor experience to a close. Students can get dressed up, dance with friends, and make memories to last a lifetime. An event not to be missed.

Results Day - Thursday 14 August

Students come in to school to receive their A-Level grades. More details will follow.











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SIXTH FORM TASTER DAYS

On Friday, 31st January, we hosted a highly successful Sixth Form Taster Day, welcoming both our Year 11 students and external students interested in joining our Sixth Form.

The event saw an excellent turnout, with students eager to experience life in Sixth Form and the new building, explore a wide range of subjects, and meet our dedicated staff. The day was filled with engaging lessons, insightful discussions, and a fantastic atmosphere of curiosity and ambition.

We are pleased to share that the feedback has been overwhelmingly positive, with many students feeling inspired and excited about the opportunities that Sixth Form has to offer.

A huge thank you to everyone who attended and to our fantastic staff for making the day such a success. We look forward to welcoming many of these students into our Sixth Form community in the future.









If your son/daughter is in Year 11, and has yet to apply to our sixth form for September, applications can be made at https://tmhs.applicaa.com or by scanning this QR code.

Contact Us:





GRAND OPENING OF THE NEW SIXTH FORM EXTENSION

On Tuesday 28 January, Temple Moor High School proudly celebrated the grand opening of its new Sixth Form extension. The official ceremony, held in the new building, was attended by esteemed guests, including the Lord Mayor of Leeds, Cllr Abigail Marshall Katung, who unveiled a commemorative plaque, marking the significance of the project.

This exciting development was made possible through £2.6 million in funding from the Department of Education's Post-16 Capacity Fund and was delivered by Lindum Group. The extension, completed in time for the 2024 intake, has increased the school's Sixth Form capacity to 350 places, allowing Temple Moor to welcome more students from across Leeds.

The new facilities include seven additional classrooms, a study area, an ICT suite, and a larger common room with a cybercafé and social area. There is also a dedicated Sixth Form entrance and reception, as well as extra office space and a meeting room.

Mr. James Hudson, Deputy Principal and Head of Quality of Education, expressed his excitement about the new facilities, stating:

"We are already really enjoying the benefits of this expansion, enabling us to offer high academic standards and outcomes for a greater number of young people from both Temple Moor and other schools in the area."

The event concluded with a guided tour of the modern facilities, leaving everyone excited for the future of the Temple Moor Sixth Form.

















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ACTIVE TRAVEL AMBASSADORS:

A huge well done to our Active Travel Ambassadors, who represented Temple Moor at Leeds Civic Hall on Monday 3 March. The ambassadors travelled by train to the event, demonstrating their commitment to reducing congestion and promoting environmentally friendly ways to travel.

During the event, our students delivered a confident and engaging presentation to a room filled with students from other schools and a panel of distinguished judges, including a local councillor, a planning officer, and a representative from Northern Rail. Their hard work and dedication paid off, as they not only secured additional funding to support their initiative but also impressed the judges so much that they were named among the best presentations of the day, earning extra funds.

We are incredibly proud of our ambassadors for their fantastic achievement and the way they represented our school. A special thank you goes to Mrs. Simpson and Mrs. Hotchkiss for their support throughout the project.

Well done to everyone involved.



INSPIRING FUTURE MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS

In February, we were delighted to welcome the "Cutting Edge" Medical Society. They spent two insightful sessions with our prospective medical students, offering invaluable guidance and inspiration.

During the sessions, current medical students shared essential information on how to successfully apply to Medical School, including advice on choosing the right A-Levels and the significance of gaining work experience. Our students also had the opportunity to hear first-hand about the realities of studying medicine and could ask any questions they had about the process.

These sessions provided an excellent opportunity for our aspiring doctors to gain practical knowledge and feel more confident about their future career paths. A big thank you to the "Cutting Edge" Medical Society for their support and encouragement!













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ROAD SAFETY AWARENESS FOR YEAR 7

On Tuesday, 18th March, we were pleased to welcome Split Second into school to deliver a powerful and engaging performance on road safety to our entire Year 7 cohort.

The performance focused on key messages about how to minimise risks and stay safe when travelling to and from school. Through a dynamic and interactive presentation, our students learned valuable lessons on responsible road use, reinforcing the importance of being vigilant and cautious in busy areas.

We would like to thank Split Second for delivering such an important and impactful session. Promoting road safety is crucial for our students, and we're proud to support initiatives that help keep our young people safe.



CELEBRATING NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

From 10th-16th February, Temple Moor proudly celebrated National Apprenticeship Week. Throughout the week, our students had the fantastic opportunity to hear from a range of external speakers, including local business leaders and representatives from the Leeds Apprenticeship Hub.

The talks provided valuable insights into the financial benefits of apprenticeships and the various pathways available to students at both 16 and 18 years old. Students learned about the growing number and diversity of apprenticeship opportunities, helping them consider this exciting option for their future careers.

In addition, our subject teachers made the most of lesson time by highlighting the apprenticeships related to the topics being studied, giving students a realworld context to their learning. To support our Year 8 and Year 9 students with their options, we also ran Personal Development sessions. These sessions allowed students to research career pathways linked to specific courses, ensuring they feel well informed when making important choices.

If your child is interested in exploring apprenticeship opportunities, visit The Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education for more information.















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GREENING OUR SCHOOL GROUNDS

We are thrilled to share that Mr. Chester and the site team have successfully secured a donation of trees and bushes from the Woodland Trust. This half term, we received a fantastic selection of plants, which will help improve drainage and increase biodiversity in the fields at the back of the school.

A huge thank you goes out to the many green-fingered students who volunteered to take part in the planting. Among the dedicated group were students from the HCP program, the Student Council, and the Eco-Sustainability Enrichment Groups. Their hard work and enthusiasm have truly made a difference in enhancing our school environment.

We are incredibly proud of our students for their commitment to this project, and we look forward to seeing the positive impact these new trees and bushes will have in the years to come.

A big shout out to all involved – well done!



LEEDS TO SUCCESS

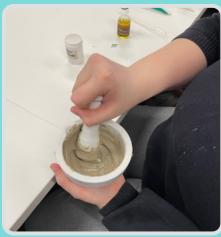
On 13 February, a group of Year 8 students visited the University of Leeds as part of the ongoing Leeds to Success programme. This exciting initiative aims to introduce our students to the world of higher education, building on the foundations laid in Year 7, where students first explored the concept of university life.

This year, the focus was on exploring the diverse range of subjects that can be studied at university. The highlight of the programme was undoubtedly the visit itself, where students had the opportunity to participate in subject taster sessions. These included Geography, Chinese Studies, and Chemistry.

A standout moment for many was the toothpaste-making session led by the Chemistry Department. Students had the chance to learn about the science behind everyday products and create their own toothpaste – though, fortunately, no one had to test the final results!

We are incredibly proud of our students for their enthusiasm and willingness to embrace new learning experiences. Programmes like Leeds to Success play a crucial role in broadening horizons and helping our young people consider their future pathways.















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TALK THE TALK

Recently, 30 of our Year 10 students took part in two full-day workshops aimed at developing their oracy skills, delivered by Talk the Talk and supported by Leeds Trinity University. These workshops provided an exciting opportunity for students to enhance their speaking and listening abilities within a dynamic and creative environment.

The first workshop, Talk About Communication, was an engaging masterclass that focussed on building confidence in public speaking. Students participated in various activities that encouraged them to develop structured presentations. By the end of the day, each student delivered a two-minute presentation on a topic they were genuinely passionate about. Stepping outside their comfort zones, our students impressed us with their enthusiasm and the quality of their final presentations.

The second workshop, Talk About Communication Plus, went a step further, focussing on verbal communication skills relevant to real-life situations. Through group tasks, students practised essential skills such as active listening, negotiation, and debating. The activities were designed to simulate environments like meetings, interviews, and seminars, helping students become more adept at discussing and presenting in diverse settings.

We are particularly excited to share that some of the participating students will have the opportunity to apply these skills in a law debate against other schools at Leeds Trinity University during the summer term. Preparation will begin before Easter, and we look forward to keeping you updated on their progress!

Well done to all the students involved for their dedication and willingness to push themselves beyond their comfort zones.

NATIONAL OFFER DAY

On Monday 3 March, families and children had their confirmed high schools for 2024-25. Temple Moor once again continues to be highly subscribed and received around three applications for every place available.

We look forward to welcoming Yr6 to Temple Moor in the summer term as part of their transition arrangements.

STAYING SAFE ONLINE

During Half Term 4, all year groups took part in a crucial assembly focussed on online safety. This timely presentation served as an important reminder of how to stay safe on the internet and identify who we can trust online.

The assembly also addressed some current and increasingly relevant issues, including the rise of generative AI, deep fakes, and their role in spreading fake news. Students were encouraged to think critically about the content they encounter online and to question the authenticity of digital media.

In addition to these assemblies, students receive ongoing guidance on online safety through Computer Science lessons, Personal Development sessions, and talks from external speakers. There are also informative displays around the school to keep online safety at the forefront of students' minds.

As parents and carers, you play an essential role in supporting your child's online safety. For more information and advice on how to help your child navigate the digital world safely, visit the NSPCC website: Keeping Children Safe.

Together, we can ensure that our young people are equipped with the knowledge to stay safe and make informed choices online.













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YEAR 10 EMBRACE ENTERPRISE

This half term, our Year 10 students have been hard at work on their Component 1 assessment, exploring the world of business and enterprise. We are incredibly grateful to Sugar Rush Sweeties and FootTech Football Academy for their invaluable support throughout this project.

As part of their learning experience, students had the opportunity to hear directly from Luke Toning, the founder of FootTech Football Academy. Luke visited the school to deliver an inspiring presentation about his journey in setting up and running his own business. His insights into entrepreneurship and the challenges and successes he has encountered, gave our students a real-world perspective on building and sustaining a business.

The involvement of local businesses has been instrumental in helping our students understand the practical aspects of enterprise, and we greatly appreciate their willingness to share their experiences.

Well done to all the Year 10 students for their hard work and enthusiasm throughout this project!



EXPLORING THE BUSINESS OF FOOTBALL

On Thursday, 6th February, students from our Year 9 and Year 10 BTEC Enterprise and GCSE Business classes embarked on an exciting educational trip to Manchester City FC. The visit offered a unique opportunity for students to explore the intersection of business and sport.

The day began with an impressive stadium tour, where students had the chance to see behind the scenes of one of the most successful football clubs in the world. Following the tour, students participated in a workshop on the Business of Football. The session focused on the various revenue streams that contribute to the club's financial success.

The trip was both informative and inspiring, giving students practical insights into how a globally recognized brand like Manchester City FC operates from a business perspective.

A big thank you to the staff and students involved for making the day such a success!













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BIG WALK AND WHEEL EVENT

Since 24th March, Temple Moor has been taking part in the Big Walk and Wheel event.

This initiative has been organised by our dedicated Active Travel Ambassadors as a follow-up to the inspiring presentation they delivered at Leeds Civic Hall. They have been encouraging all students and staff to walk, cycle, or scoot to and from school as much as possible. Not only is this a fantastic way to boost health and reduce congestion around the school, but it also helps the environment and supports our local community.

Prizes will be awarded to the top-performing forms and individuals – proving that every journey counts!

With just one day left, let's keep the momentum going and finish strong. A big thank you to everyone who has participated so far. Your efforts are making a real difference!



POWERFUL LESSONS FROM HISTORY: HOLOCAUST EDUCATION

This term has been an impactful one for our Year 9 students, with several unique opportunities designed to deepen their understanding of the Holocaust as part of their History lessons and enrichment activities.

On 20 January, all Year 9 students had the privilege of hearing from Tim Mulroy, a second-generation Holocaust survivor. Tim shared the moving story of his father and aunt, who were rescued from Nazi persecution through the Kindertransport. We were incredibly impressed by the thoughtful questions posed by our students and the maturity they displayed while listening to such a poignant testimony.



More recently, on 12 March, Year 9 and Year 12 students took part in a pioneering experience offered by the Holocaust Educational Trust called Testimony 360. Sixty students had the remarkable opportunity to use Virtual Reality (VR) to hear directly from Manfréd, a Holocaust survivor. The immersive technology allowed students to gain a real-life perspective on his journey and experiences. Feedback from students included comments such as, "It was great in helping to understand the reality of their world" and "The technology was amazing for helping to see the places discussed in the testimony.'



We are incredibly proud of how our students engaged with these meaningful experiences, demonstrating both respect and curiosity. These activities are vital in helping our young people connect with history on a personal level.

Looking ahead, we are excited about upcoming trips to London and Hampton Court Palace with our Sixth Form students, as well as the Year 11 Battlefields Trip. We will continue to share more opportunities as they arise.









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POPSTARS: THE 90's MUSICAL

A huge well done to all the students and staff involved in our school production of Popstars The 90s Musical! We are incredibly proud of each and every student who took part - from the talented actors and dancers on stage to the dedicated pit band, the backstage crew, and those providing technical support.

Rehearsals for the show began at the start of the academic year, and students and staff have been tirelessly working to ensure the production's success. Their hard work truly paid off, as Popstars The 90s Musical dazzled audiences over three evening performances and a special matinee for TNHP, Colton, and Austhorpe primary schools.

We would also like to express our sincere gratitude to Josh Fawn from Harrogate Grammar for his invaluable support with lighting and sound. We also would like to extend a special thank you to parents and carers who went above and beyond to ensure students could attend rehearsals and support the performances. Your dedication played a vital role in making the show such a triumph.

A big thank you as well to everyone who bought a raffle ticket during the performances. Thanks to your support, we raised over £100 over the three nights! We hope the lucky winners enjoy their prizes.

Most importantly, congratulations once again to the students for their hard work, passion, and commitment to putting on such a fantastic performance.

Keep an eye out for our next performance coming this summer – a showcase featuring a variety of exciting performances!



RED KITE BATTLE OF THE BANDS 2025

We are thrilled to share that Temple Moor High School's very own band, VERTIGO, has taken home the win at the Red Kite Battle of the Bands 2025!

Competing against 11 other talented Red Kite schools, VERTIGO impressed both the judges and the audience, securing the top spot. The panel of judges, including Simon Rix from the Kaiser Chiefs, voted in their favour, and they also claimed the Audience Choice Award – a remarkable double victory.

Our heartfelt congratulations go out to the talented members of VERTIGO:

- Louis Tammaro
- Lukas Chowdhury
 Ewan Brown
- Tobias Gupit-Wills

As a reward for their outstanding performance, VERTIGO will enjoy two days in a recording studio, have the opportunity to perform at the Chapel Allerton Music Festival, and take the spotlight as the headline act at the Red Kite Battle of the Bands 2026.

We are incredibly proud of their hard work, talent, and dedication. Congratulations once again to VERTIGO - keep rocking!

















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TRIPLE MEDAL SUCCESS

We are thrilled to celebrate the outstanding achievement of our student Lucas Bishop, who recently became a triple medallist at a prestigious diving competition held in Leeds.

Competing over a long and exhausting weekend on Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th March, Lucas showcased his exceptional talent and dedication, earning the following accolades:

- in C Platform
- ist place in C 1m Springboard
- 🕉 3rd place in C 3m Springboard

Congratulations to Lucas on this incredible accomplishment, keep up the fantastic work.



YORKSHIRE TUMBLING COMPETITION

We are delighted to share the fantastic news that Temple Moor High School student Emily McIver has achieved an outstanding result at the Yorkshire Tumbling Competition held over the weekend of 15 March.

Competing in the Club Level 6 15+ age group, Emily put on an exceptional performance and secured 1st place! This remarkable achievement means that Emily is now in a strong position to qualify for either the English or British Championships.

We are incredibly proud of Emily's dedication, hard work, and determination. Her success is truly inspiring, and we look forward to seeing what she achieves next.

SPORTS NEWS

24/02 Congratulations to our Y7's who won today's indoor athletics competition at Bishop Young ?. ?.



26/02 Y8 Boys Football A fantastic 6-0 win against TLA.



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13/03 Y7 Boys Football What a fantastic performance. Played great football and defended incredibly well against Boston Spa, resulting in a 1-1 result 🏵 😥



19/03 Y8 Boys Football Played 3 games in a Leeds United football tournament. Won 1, Lost 1, Drew 1. George M player of the tournament 🕀 🕏



19/03 Y8 Boys Football

Final game of the season in the Y8 League. Drew 4-4 against Allerton Grange. Bobby R got MOM 🏵 🏵



19/03 Y8 Girls Football

Reached the final at the Leeds United football tournament at Boston Spa Academy. Unfortunately, they lost on penalties but the girls showed grit, determination and resilience. Well done 🕀 🔂



20/03 Y11 Boys Football The boys are through to the semi final of the Cup after a 3-1 victory away at Horsforth 🕀 🕏

Contact Us:



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CONTACT DETAILS

If you need to contact the school, the following teams are available to support with your query.

Pastoral Team - support with matters of student welfare and behaviour.

info@tmhs.rklt.co.uk

Year 7 Pastoral Officer - Mr D Hollingworth

Year 8 Pastoral Officer - Mrs N Matthews

Year 9 Pastoral Officer - Mrs L Robertson

Year 10 Pastoral Officer - Mr P Leamey

Year 11 Pastoral Officer - Miss M Campey

Year 12/13 Pastoral Officer - Mrs S Pearson

Attendance Team - reporting a child absence or matters relating to attendance.

attendance@tmhs.rklt.co.uk

Academic Team - support with matters to academic subjects. **info@tmhs.rklt.co.uk**

Year 7 Phase Leader - Mr M Sutton

Year 8/9 Phase Leader - Miss H Matthews

Year 10/11 Phase Leader - Miss R French

Year 12/13 Phase Leader - Miss G Newman

SAFEGUARDING

Over the Easter holidays, we politely ask that parents and students avoid sending emails to teachers and pastoral staff. If there is a necessity to pass on information to the school, please use the following contact which will be monitored.



<u>Tmhssafeguarding@tmhs.rklt.co.uk</u>

Additionally, details of external agencies and contacts are available via the school website

https://www.tmhs.co.uk/for-studentsparentscarers/safeguarding/pastoral-support/

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