



## Weekly message for Greenhead College students and parents/carers

**Friday, 15 March 2024**



Dear all,

I hope this week has gone well for all students.

On Thursday, mock exam results were released to our A2s. I hope students achieved some excellent results. Remember, if the results weren't quite as good as you had hoped, there's still time to turn things round and put things right. The most important thing is to stay positive and engage in the subject monitoring process with your teachers, either tomorrow or on Monday (*please see message below*).

Here are this week's messages:

### **MESSAGES FOR ALL STUDENTS AND PARENTS/CARERS**

#### **Subject monitoring next week**

Following the release of mock exam results, subject monitoring for A2 students (surnames L-Z) will be taking place in College on **Monday, 18 March**.

Please note that all other students will be set work for this day.

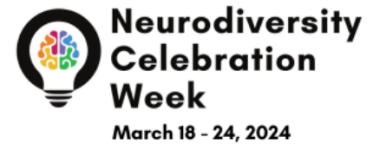
#### **Lost property**

We have a lot of students' lost property in reception. Could students please enquire at reception if they have lost something.

Our intention is to send unclaimed items to charity at the end of next week.

## Neurodiversity Celebration Week

We will be celebrating Neurodiversity Celebration Week between **18-22 March**. Here is a list of events happening in College across the week:



### MONDAY

Pop along to the Library this week to look at the display which showcases a range of books with a focus on neurodiversity.

Consider yourself neurodiverse? interested in finding out what life at uni might look like? then 'ask a graduate' is for you, post a TEAMS message **by Wednesday** to Helen Mackey Bowen and we will respond to all questions on Friday.

### TUESDAY

A2 students Do you have a diagnosis of Autism/ADHD/Dyslexia/Dyspraxia? Want to know how you can apply for the Disabled Students Allowance (DSA) to support you at University - then come along to C2 on Tuesday lunchtime.

### WEDNESDAY

Dynamic timetabling drop in session- come along to C6 at lunchtime to look at different ways to schedule your studying/revision.

### THURSDAY

A1 Students do you consider yourself to be neurodiverse? Want to know how to approach a university open day? Come along to M3 At lunchtime where we can talk you through some useful things you might want to ask.

Do you consider yourself to be neurodiverse? If so why don't you come along to **Neurodiversity Group** today in C2 at lunchtime. Want to find out more then TEAMS message Helen Mackey Bowen.

### FRIDAY

Overlearning, consolidation and recall techniques session C2 today at lunchtime. 1.15-1.55 (bring your lunch) Limited spaces book your place by TEAMS message to Ruth Haigh.

Ask a graduate Q&A responses



## Academic skills weekly top tip

This week, we are recommending that all students should make a realistic timetable for their revision because it is key to exam success.



EMISTRY	Exam Date:	Active Recall:	4th June 2020
Reaction rates and equilibrium	April 26, 2020	April 26, 2020	Teaching: essay planning or writing, past papers, mind maps
and buffers	April 21, 2020	April 6, 2020	May 6, 2020
Entropy, entropy and free energy	April 21, 2020	May 4, 2020	May 18, 2020
Ion and electrode potentials	April 26, 2020	May 7, 2020	May 14, 2020
Transition elements	April 26, 2020	April 26, 2020	May 14, 2020
Alcyclic compounds	April 26, 2020	May 4, 2020	May 11, 2020
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Boyle's acids and esters	April 21, 2020	May 4, 2020	May 21, 2020
Organic compounds	April 21, 2020	May 4, 2020	May 11, 2020
Organic synthesis	April 26, 2020	May 11, 2020	May 21, 2020
Organic synthesis	April 26, 2020	April 26, 2020	May 14, 2020
Chromatography and spectroscopy	April 26, 2020	May 11, 2020	May 11, 2020

Revision planning will help you will feel more confident about your exams. The plan should give you a clear idea about which topics you need to cover, the strategies you will use and the time you will need to allocate to each topic.

A detailed revision plan can reduce stress and give you security in the approach to your exams.

**A1 students** – here is a planner you could use to create a timetable for the A1 Progress Assessment week, which will be taking place **w/c 15 April**: [A1 Easter Revision Plan.docx](#)

**A2 students** – this planner can be used to create a timetable for your summer A Level exams. Start by putting in the final exam dates and then work backwards to ensure you can cover everything: [Revision Planner for Summer Exams 2024.docx](#)

For information, the full summer exams timetable can be found here: [Summer exams 2024 timetable](#).

**A1/A2 students** – if you prefer a digital timetable, please use this link to create one: <https://eu.jotform.com/app/240284263281352>

If you would like to speak to an Academic Skills Mentor about revision planning and access some further support, please use this link to book an appointment:

<https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/AcademicSkillsAppointment@greenhead.ac.uk/booking>

Look out for next week's session on dynamic planning during Neurodiversity Celebration Week and come along if you think it would be beneficial to you.

## **Careers appointments**

A reminder that careers appointments for students are available from Monday-to-Friday. Please book via [Greenhead College VLE](#) and click on 'Book A Careers Appointment'.

Each adviser has different days/times for you to book a 30-minute slot when you have a study period.

## **Latest sporting fixtures**

Here is our latest enrichment scorecard. Many thanks to those who took part:

GC Team	Score	Opposition	Score
Mixed Hockey	2	Bradford Grammar School	3
Netball Second Team	21	Bishop Burton College First Team	31
Netball Third Team	3	York College First Team	44
Women's Football First Team	2	New College Pontefract	3
Men's Football First Team	2	Huddersfield New College	1
Men's Football Second Team	2	Huddersfield New College	2
Men's Football Third Team	7	Calderdale College	0

## **Good news stories**

Here is a round-up of some recent 'good news' stories:

One of our A Level Art students, *Amy Bintcliffe* (pictured right), created a great piece of artwork for LGBT+ History Month last month, representing the College's allyship to the LGBTQIA+ community.

The artwork, which invited members of the College community to put their fingerprints on it, is not only a great piece of art but also showcases the College's commitment to creating an equal, diverse and safe space for everybody.

Congratulations on this great piece of artwork, Amy!





As part of the College's enrichment programme, students have recently participated in their hockey umpiring pathway, attaining their Level 1 Umpiring Certification.

Over four weeks, via England Hockey, they have acquired the basic skills and knowledge to be able to umpire safely and effectively.

Well done to all involved!

(Pictured from left to right: Oliver Fischer (i/c of hockey), Anya Locke, Lucy Holland, Flora Howarth, Ed Crowther, Jasper Anderson, Lucca Wild and Nicholas Marshall.)



Last week, 45 of our A Level Geography and Geology students experienced the beauty and power of 'mother nature' on a fieldtrip to Iceland (pictured left).

The tectonic nature of Iceland is directly relevant to both A Level specifications and students visited some of their case studies from the course, such as the volcanic Island of Heimaey, where they walked on the lava from the 1973 eruption, the rift valley of Thingvellir National Park, where the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates are diverging, as well as seeing real lava in a demonstration at the Lava Show in Reykjavik.

Not only was the week educational, but one which has left students with a love of Iceland and memories for life. Can I take this opportunity to thank all those students who attended, who were a credit to the College, as well as staff members *Shona Best, Adele Costello, Jacob Harrison* and *Matt Kilner*, who gave up their time to enable this trip to take place.

We were very pleased to hand over a cheque for £2000 this week to PIMA (Palestine International Medical Aid), a UK registered charity which aims to support Palestinian refugees in Gaza and Lebanon; provide immediate medical aid to Palestine at times of conflict; and also ensure long-term medical project initiatives.



The money was raised by students from last week's bake sale (please see my message from 8/3/24 for further details). Pictured (right) with me are *Bushra*, who received the cheque on behalf of PIMA, and *Marjan Khatib*, Student Executive Welfare Officer.



## MESSAGE FOR A1 STUDENTS AND PARENTS/CARERS

### Assemblies

Can I remind all A1 students that they should attend one of these assemblies next week:



# A1 ASSEMBLIES

With the Principal, Simon Lett

TUESDAY 19 MARCH  
LUNCHTIME: 12.35-13.35PM  
F/H BLOCK PERIOD 4: 1.35-2.35PM

WEDNESDAY 20 MARCH  
E BLOCK PERIOD 1 :8.45-9.55AM

FRIDAY 22 MARCH  
C/G BLOCK PERIOD 2: 9.45-10.45AM  
LUNCHTIME: 13.05-13.55PM  
B BLOCK PERIOD 5: 13.55-14.55PM

ALL ASSEMBLIES WILL TAKE PLACE IN R20

## MESSAGES FOR A2 STUDENTS AND PARENTS/CARERS

### Opening hours over the holidays

We are planning to open in the Easter holidays for A2 students on **Wednesday, 27** and **Thursday, 28 March**, from **9.00 am** to **4.00 pm** in **H18** and **H28** (Hirst building). These two rooms will be supervised by Library staff.

On the ground floor of Hirst building, students will be allowed to have their own packed lunch between **12.30** and **1.30 pm**. Students must wear their ID card/lanyard and sign in and out of Hirst building, should they wish to use College resources on the two days above.

## Prom

Finally, here are details for the forthcoming A2 prom:

YOU ARE INVITED TO

# GREENHEAD COLLEGE 2024 PROM

**A £10 non-refundable deposit must be paid by the  
Wednesday 20th of March  
via Wisepay. It will be located under Shop > Events.**

If we do not hit our target, you will be refunded the £10 but  
prom will have to be cancelled.

The remainder of the ticket price will need to be paid at a  
later date and the total cost of the ticket will be  
approximately £30

Date & time: July 4th - 7:00 - 11:00 PM	NOTE: subject to change.  Enquiries: <a href="mailto:executiveofficers@greenhead.ac.uk">executiveofficers@greenhead.ac.uk</a> OR <a href="mailto:S221594@greenhead.ac.uk">S221594@greenhead.ac.uk</a>	Place: Premier Banqueting Hall Stoney Rock Lane, Leeds LS9 7TZ
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Best wishes to you all,

Simon Lett,  
Principal