



# NORTON COLLEGE

## Beyond Expectations

Our Ref: TJ/LS

10 June 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

We have introduced changes to the canteen queuing arrangements this week, as outlined in my previous letter. This has been extremely successful, and students have commented widely upon how much more efficient the system has been.

As you may have seen on our social media pages, we continue to develop and expand our farm facility and on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June we welcomed our two new Pygmy goats. These are currently housed within the farm building and in the coming days will be given access to one of the secure outdoor farm paddocks.



We would also like to thank Brinsea Incubation Specialists Ltd for giving us access to significantly discounted incubation equipment which will enable the farm to raise its own livestock. We have purchased this equipment using grant monies awarded to us by the Yorkshire Agricultural Society and Malton Lions.

### **Buses**

The conduct of the vast majority of students who travel on school transport is very good. Unfortunately, there have been some incidents of poor behaviour reported to us over recent weeks. We take these reports very seriously and we have issued very strong sanctions to those students responsible.

As outlined in our school transport agreement, one of the sanctions that we have can apply is a bus ban. Ultimately, where there is repeated poor behaviour on the bus or an incident of particular concern, this can result in a permanent bus ban. The safety of students is paramount and we ask that you support us by emphasising the importance of behaving sensibly and respectfully at all times on school transport.

### **Year 11 Students with an Afternoon Examination on Monday 13th June**

The GCSE Business examination on Monday 13th June is scheduled to finish at 3pm. This means that students sitting this examination will not be able to access usual school transport which leaves site following the early finish at 2:15pm. The college has booked additional transport for these students and Mr Stones has contacted the parents (via text) of those students affected.

### **Assessment Week for Students in Year 10**

Mock examinations for students in Year 10 will begin on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June. In advance of this date, Mr Stones (Assistant Headteacher: Curriculum and Assessment) will work alongside Mr Triffitt (Year 10 Progress Leader) to deliver an assembly which will provide students with information and guidance and allow them to ask any questions. It is crucial that students prepare thoroughly for these examinations so

that our teaching staff have the very best understanding of students' strengths as well as areas for development.

### **Country Schools v Town Schools Athletics Tournament Success**

Finally, congratulations to the following students who made it through the regional qualifying for the Country Schools v Town Schools athletics competition earlier this week. The tournament itself will be held at York University later this half term:

Oscar Troop (100m)

Oli Sim (100m)

Molly Skelton (200m)

Keane Welburn (200m)

Jake Allardice (200m)

Lois Wilson (800m)

Kenzie Palliser (800m)

Morgan Leach (800m)

Elsa Lees (1500m)

Molly Skelton, Holly Carter, Pippa Wedge & Morgan Snowden (relay)

Elsa Lees, Amelia Little, Sarah Dicks & Julia Stadnik (relay)

Jess Sansom, Sophia Drew, Emily McArthur & Emily Walker (relay)

Have a good weekend,

Yours faithfully



Mr T Johnson

Headteacher