



High Notes

Senior High Notes 23rd May 2024

Dear Parents

It is hard to believe we've already reached the end of another busy half term! The past few weeks have been a whirlwind of activity both in and out of the classroom.

Our Year 7, 8, and 9 students have just completed their end of year exams, acquitting themselves remarkably well. Meanwhile, our Year 10 students are halfway through their examinations, and we wish them the very best as they continue to tackle these important assessments.

After the half term break, our Year 12 students will embark on their internal examinations, a crucial milestone in their journey towards their final A level examinations. We have every confidence in their ability to rise to the occasion and demonstrate the depth of their knowledge and skills.

As we approach the half term break, it is an important opportunity for our students to rest, recharge, and prepare for the final half term of the academic year. This period is truly a wonderful time, filled with exciting events. We look forward welcoming everyone back on Monday 3rd June.

Best Wishes

Amy Chapman

Head

Derby High Alumni Summer Get-Together

We are delighted to welcome our alumni to Derby High on Saturday 22nd June from 1:30pm to 4:30pm.

If any parents are alumni and have friends and family who were at our school, please do spread the word, everyone is invited.

We will be hosting an informal afternoon tea in our newly opened refectory and offering guided tours by our sixth formers.

To receive an invitation please complete the following online form: [Alumni Form - Derby High School](#) or email, DHSalumni@derbyhigh.derby.sch.uk.



Year 10 GCSE Food and Nutrition

Year 10 GCSE Food and Nutrition students have been undertaking their own 'Masterchef' challenge, producing a three course summer lunch menu in three hours.

Students made their own ravioli, delicious desserts and summery soups. They were also able to practice their presentation skills and taste test the results. Well done to all who took part.



Year 9 Rounders

On Tuesday, a Year 9 rounders team took part in the City Rounders Tournament at Chellaston Academy. It was a nice afternoon for the students to get out and play some rounders after a full day of exams, and

they did themselves proud. The team played 3 games, with each game comprising of one batting innings and one fielding innings only.

They played the hosts Chellaston first, who were a strong team. They batted effectively in the first innings and took their chances to score a number of rounders and half-rounders. However, Derby High worked well to successfully stump and catch 7 of their players out in the innings. When it was Derby High's turn to bat, there was some great effort with attempting to score. Sadly, some strong fielding and some unforced errors limited our score to 2.5 rounders.

The second game was against West Park School and, again, Derby High fielded well but were unable to thwart all of their scoring opportunities. Derby High managed to secure another 2 rounders when it was our turn to bat, but West Park's score of 6.5 pipped us for the win.

The final game was against Allestree Woodlands School, which was a more even and competitive game, literally going down to the last ball. Derby High scored a number of fantastic half- and full rounders in the first innings, with a strong 5 rounders scored. Fielding was strong, where the team managed to get 8 players out throughout the innings, but a very close score of 5.5 rounders enabled Woodlands to win their final game.

A huge well done to everyone who took part in the tournament; it was great to see the team make progress with their decision making and tactical awareness between each game and to play with a fantastic attitude throughout! Well done to all.



A Level PE Visit Loughborough University

On Wednesday 21st May, some of our Year 12 A Level PE students went to Loughborough University for an Exercise Physiology experience workshop.

They had a tour of the Powerbase gym and sport and exercise lab, as well as a sports facilities tour including the high performance athlete centre and hotel.

The group also had the chance to take part in a vO₂ max. test and a watt bike test at altitude.



Congratulations Martha

Well done to Martha (Year 8) for competing last Sunday in the Midlands Aerial Arts Tournament. Martha competed in the Intermediate Hoop category for 11 to 16 year olds and was delighted to be presented with second place.



Safeguarding Corner

In2 Podcast, Episode 9, Emotion Regulation

Welcome to our ninth episode of our two-minute podcast. This week's discussion is led by Charlotte McBride, Assistant Head-Pastoral, and Keely Shore, Primary Lead-Pastoral and Early Years Lead, and explores the concept of Emotion Regulation.

To listen to the podcast please [click here](#).



For more information, please see the links below:

[NL-Emotion-regulation-e-leaflet-02.21.pdf \(rdash.nhs.uk\)](#)

[Zones-for-parents.pdf \(glowscotland.org.uk\)](#)

Dates For Your Diary

Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May – half term

Monday 3rd June – return from half term

Monday 10th June – Year 10 Sixth Form Taster Day

Friday 14th June – Lunchtime Recital at Derby Cathedral

Thursday 20th June – Year 12 Learning Review (in school)

Friday 21st June – Senior Sports Day (morning)

Friday 21st June – Dance Show

Saturday 22nd to Tuesday 25th June – Gold DofE Qualifier

Saturday 22nd June – Derby High Alumni Summer Get-Together

Saturday 29th June – Borneo trip departs

Sunday 30th June – Germany trip departs & Spain watersport trip departs

Monday 1st July to Wednesday 3rd July - Silver DofE Qualifier

Monday 1st July to Thursday 4th July – Year 10 work experience

Monday 1st July to Friday 5th July – Activity Week

Friday 5th July - Germany trip returns, Spain watersport trip returns, Borneo trip returns

Friday 5th July – 3.45pm end of term (no late waiting).