

# BEYOND THE BLUE LINE



## AN EPIC SHOWDOWN: STAFF VS STUDENTS

Last Friday marked the exciting return of our staff versus students football tournament. A team of Sixth Formers and Year 11 students eagerly joined in the ultimate football showdown against our staff. The tournament, which was a full house, drew an audience of 240 students who gathered around the pitch to witness the thrilling matches.

The first match featured Staff versus Sixth Form. Despite the staff's subpar defence, they managed to tie with the Sixth Form team, resulting in a 4-4 draw.

Following that, Staff faced off against Year 11. After giving it their all, they were outplayed by Year 11, who scored the winning goal in the last two minutes.

The last match of the night was between Sixth Form and Year 11, with both teams having built up anticipation throughout the week. In the end, Year 11 emerged victorious with a 3-0 win.

The enthusiastic crowd showcased the true Brooksbank spirit, and the successful tournament raised £470 for the Year 11 and Year 13 proms. Congratulations to all participants!

*"Smells like teen spirit"*



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# BROOKSBANK'S SPORTING STARS TAKE THE CALDERDALE SCHOOL RUGBY FINAL BY STORM.



## YEAR 7 GIRLS CROWNED VICTORIOUS IN CALDERDALE SCHOOLS RUGBY FINAL

Last night at the Calderdale Schools Rugby Final, our Year 7 Girls were victorious. Throughout the game, the girls showcased great control and determination, making them deserving champions! All of the girls played exceptionally but it was Tansy who was crowned woman of the match.

Mrs. Jones expressed her immense pride in the girls, saying, "I am incredibly proud of the girls. After less than a year playing together, to put on a show the way they did, makes me excited for the years to come!"



## YEAR 9 BOYS RETAIN THEIR TITLE WITH A 48-8 WIN!

Year 9 Boys Retain Their Winners Title!

Hats off to the Year 9 Rugby team for holding onto their Calderdale Schools title, clinching a decisive win against Trinity at Heath RUFC.

While the whole team delivered remarkable performances, it was Captain Harry L who took the man of the match accolade.

His exceptional performance included scoring 2 tries and 8 goals in a display full of action.

Congratulations lads, same again next year?



# YEAR 9 GIRLS REACH RUGBY FINALS



Our Year 9 Girls Rugby team have shown true dedication and skill in reaching the Calderdale Schools Rugby final - their hard work and commitment have not gone unnoticed. While they may not have clinched the trophy this time, their remarkable performance is a testament to their talent and perseverance.

Let's celebrate their achievement and support them as they continue to excel both on and off the field. Congratulations girls!



## WHAT'S COMING UP?

### EARTH DAY - FREE JUICE

Back in September, we banned single use plastic water bottles in school and bought all our students a reusable water bottle to help reduce our carbon footprint.

To mark Earth Day, we are offering all students a free juice token when they bring their reusable bottle to the canteen tills on Monday 22nd April.

Please note: This does not have to be the Brooksbank bottle, any reusable bottle will be accepted.



## YEAR 8 BEACH PARTY

Thursday 25th April, 3:15-4:45pm

Following the triumph of the Year 7 Easter Disco, the Sixth Form have organised a Beach Party for Year 8 students due to popular demand.

Tickets cost £2.00 and can be purchased through Parent Pay. Snacks and beverages will be on sale during the party, so we advise students to bring a small amount of cash.

Before the disco kicks off, there will be a relaxing pre-party gathering in Gym 2 for students to attend right after school, with changing room facilities available.



# CONNECTING WITH DONKEYS CLARA'S INSPIRATIONAL JOURNEY



One of our Year 11 students, Clara, has been visiting the Donkey Sanctuary in Leeds to help build her confidence and ease her worries. Throughout the Donkey Facilitated Learning programme, Clara learnt many transferable skills, such as how to stay calm and present in the moment, to practice mindfulness techniques, create positive memories and deal with day-to-day pressures.

Throughout the experience Clara's mum and teachers noticed a significant change in Clara's ability to self-regulate and handle challenging situations that may arise, making a positive impact on her education. Clara's confidence has blossomed.



Following her exams, Clara plans to go to college where she hopes to study animal care. Thanks to her experience with the donkeys Clara has now been inspired to help rehome animals and give them a better life after seeing how the sanctuary helps the donkeys.

In addition to her donkey adventures, Clara is exploring British Sign Language, recognising its potential to aid communication for individuals with autism, offering an alternative means of expression.

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Mrs Shenton says:

“We are incredibly proud of all the hard work and dedication Clara has shown to her Facilitated Learning Programme. Clara is a beacon of inspiration to all students looking for new ways to learn and develop. Well done Clara!”

If you would like to know more about the Donkey Facilitated Learning Programme please visit the website: <https://www.thedonkeysanctuary.org.uk>

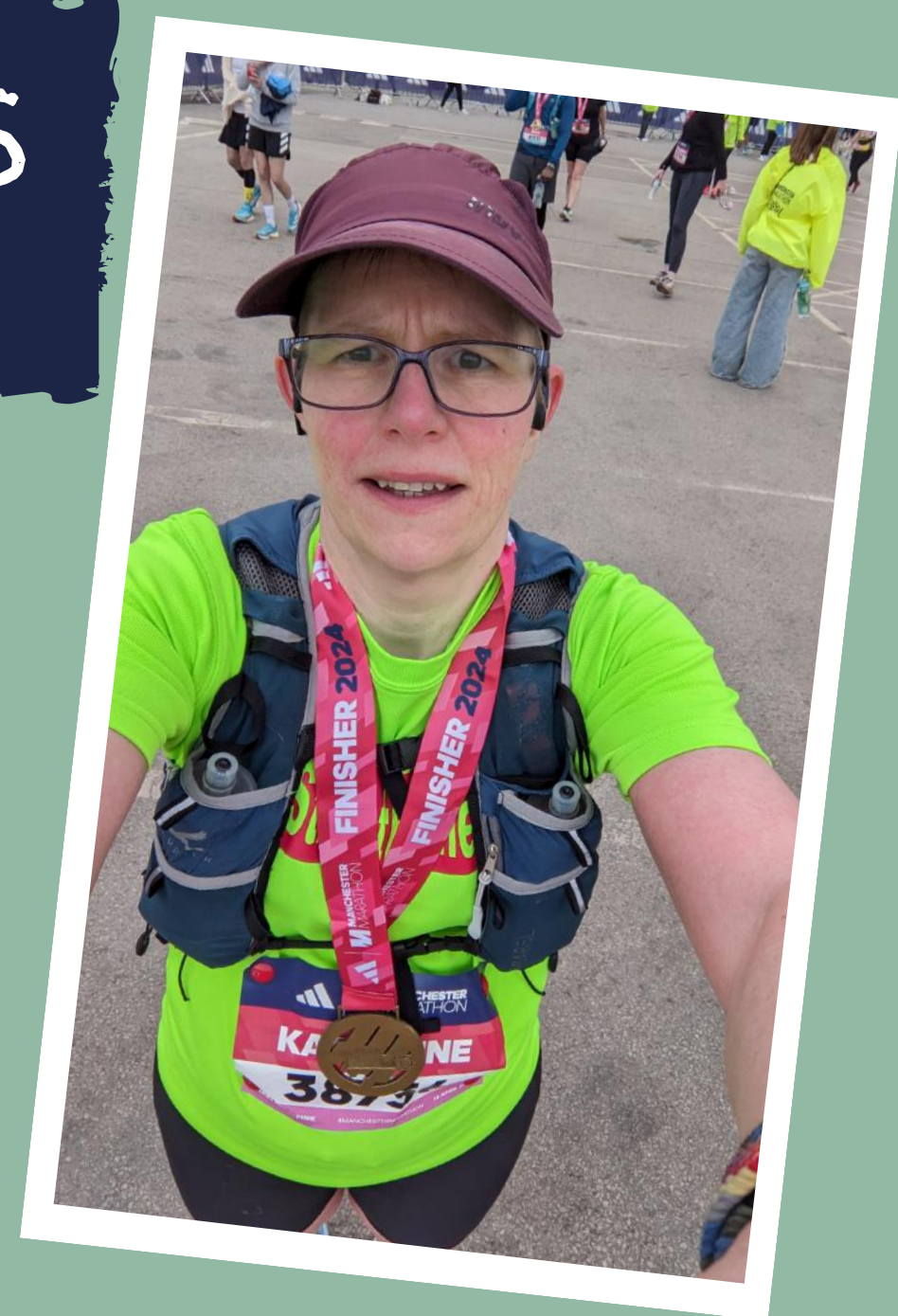




# CELEBRATING MISS HUGGETT'S MARATHON TRIUMPH!

A HUGE CONGRATULATIONS IS IN ORDER FOR MISS HUGGETT WHO COMPLETED THE MANCHESTER MARATHON ON SUNDAY.

MISS HUGGETT IS NOT ONE TO HIDE AWAY FROM A CHALLENGE AND CONTINUES TO AMAZE US. WE ARE SO PROUD!



## FEELING INSPIRED?

We love to encourage our students to take advantage of our wide range of extra curricular activities to help boost their confidence to interact socially with others; extend their social networks; and provide them with new skills and abilities.

## PE – EXTRA-CURRICULAR TERM 3 TIMETABLE EACH CLUB WILL RUN FROM 14:40 – 15:40

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
BOYS	Fitness – FS Indoor Cricket – SH	Athletics – BCR	Boxing Club – FS	Y9 Rugby – Field	GCSE PE Intervention
GIRLS	Fitness – FS Indoor Cricket Rounders – 4G	Tennis – SH	Boxing Club – FS	Y7-10 Gymnastics	GCSE PE Intervention

## KEY CALENDAR DATES

Year 8 Beach Party	Thurs 25 Apr
Boccia Tournament	Thurs 25 Apr
School of Rock	Weds, 8 & Thurs, 9 May
Year 11 Prom	Fri, 21 Jun

## KEY HOLIDAY DATES

May Day	Mon, 6 May
Spring Bank	24 May - 3 Jun
Summer break begins	Fri, 19 Jul



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