



Student Weekly News

w/c 9 February 2026

Dates for your diary

Date	Event / Activity	Year Group
wc Mon 9 Feb	Year 11 Food Assessments take place	Year 11
Tue 10 Feb Wed 11 Feb Thu 12 Feb	Oliver! Production	All years
Fri 13 Feb	Year 9 Immunisations, Gym 2	Year 9
	Year 12/13 A Level RS Buddhism Trip, Leeds	Year 12/13
Fri 13 Feb	Last day of Spring 1 term - 3.30pm finish	All years
Mon 23 Feb	Start of Spring 2 term	All years
wc 23 Feb & 2 Mar	Year 11 mock exams	Year 11
Tue 24 Feb	Year 7 Midsummer Night's Dream Trip, Leeds	Year 7
	Year 13 Parents Evening (in school)	Year 13
Wed 25 Feb	Year 10 Science Live	Year 10
Thu 26 Feb	Chinese New Year celebration - book tickets here	Year 7

Assemblies - please note new days per Year Group

Day	Time	Year	Location	Additional Information
Monday	8.50am	11	Hall	Register in the Hall from 8.40am
Tuesday	8.50am 8.50am 9am	7 12 13	Hall Forum Forum	Register in the Hall from 8.40am Assembly in Forum, then progression with Form Tutor Register with Form Tutor at 8.50am then progression assembly
Wednesday	8.50am	8	Hall	Register in the Hall from 8.40am
Thursday	8.50am	10	Hall	Register in the Hall from 8.40am
Friday	8.50am 12.00	9 7	Hall Hall	Register in the Hall from 8.40am Register in the Hall P4

Careers Focus - National Apprenticeship Week



National Apprenticeship Week will take place from Monday 10 February to Sunday 16 February. The week highlights how apprenticeships are an excellent option to consider for young people wishing to start a career.



As part of our Careers Education programme, the following resources are available to students

	<p>The UK government website includes a wealth of resources including:</p> <p>Apprenticeships - are they right for you? Real apprenticeship stories to inspire Apprenticeship ambassador videos Parent Information pack How to browse before you apply</p>
	<p>Skills for Careers Exploring career and training opportunities</p>
	<p>Amazing Apprenticeships Parent and Carer zone Student zone This is my story - discover the world of apprenticeships</p>
	<p>Talking Futures Education options available today are often different to when parents were in school. Use this website to learn more about options like T-levels, apprenticeships and HTQs can help unlock your child's full potential.</p>

HGS Careers Hub activities - Wednesday and Thursday (lunchtime) in the Careers Hub



Good Luck to all the cast, crew and orchestra taking part in Oliver! next week



Information for Year 7-11

Termly Curriculum Overviews

Click on the links opposite to find out what topics you will be studying this term in each subject.

[Year 7, 8 and 9](#)[Year 10 and 11](#)[Year 12](#)[Year 13](#)

Click on the image above to access our sports fixture list

The following Sports Clubs have been cancelled w/c 26 Jan:
Wednesday - Netball Y9 & Football Y7



PRE-ORDERS NOW AVAILABLE

DELICIOUS SANDWICHES & SANDWICH MEAL DEAL

ORDER VIA THE QR CODE OPPOSITE

ORDER BY 9AM FOR SAME DAY COLLECTION

COLLECT FROM THE HUB AT LUNCHTIME
SHOW YOUR CONFIRMATION EMAIL TO COLLECT YOUR PRE-ORDER



Wellbeing and Mental Health Support

The school has strong links with local agencies and organisations which offer mental health support services. Click on [this link](#) to access more information.



REACH Out app

Our school does not tolerate bullying or harassment of any member of our community and all incidents are taken seriously. If you experience or witness this, please click the REACH Out button on your iPad.

Parent Communications this week

Whole year group communications that have been sent this week:

- Easter Revision Year 11 and Year 13
- Year 7 Chinese New Year celebrations



Year 9 Immunisations - Friday 13 February

The Vaccination UK team will be in school on Friday 13 February in Gym 2.

If your parents have provided consent for you to have the DTP vaccination, the time of your vaccination will be added to Arbor.

The table below details when the DTP vaccines will take place.

Students should make their way down to Gym 2 for the start time listed. Please take your school bags with them. Once you have received your vaccination please make your way back to your lesson.

Year 9 Timings - 13 February 2026					
Form	Time	Period	Form	Time	Period
9ADJ	9.00	1	9LED	12.10	4
9CEL	9.30	1	9RSS	12.30	4
9EPI	10.00	2	9TXS	13.45	5
9ERE	10.30	2	9WXE	14.15	5
9GAG	11.10	3	Catch ups	14.45	6
9JWB	11.40	3			

Wet Lunches

Year Group	Location	Year Group	Location
7	Classrooms A17 to A23	8	Hall
9	Gym 2 & A01	10	Mon - A10 to A13 & A25 Tue to Fri - Sports Hall
11	Atrium, A14 & LRC (silent study space)		

Food bank donations
Aqua House - continues w/c 9 February



Information for Year 11

Date	Event
Tuesday 10 February	Year 11 Reaching for Success Parent Information Evening, Main Hall, 6pm
Friday 20 February	<u>Leavers' Hoodie</u> deadline to place your order
wc 23 February, 2 & 9 March	Year 11 mock exams (see timetable below)
March	Coursing discussions will take place with the Sixth Form team - details of your allocated date and time will be issued to you near the time,
From 7 March	Saturday revision sessions 10am to 1pm (book via Arbor/Clubs)
Friday 8 May	<u>Leavers' Ball</u> deadline to book your place

Year 11 Mock Exam Timetable

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WC 23 FEB	P1/2 English Lit Paper 1 P5/6 Maths	P1 History Paper 1 P3/4 class 113/Fr1 Listening & Reading	P1/2 Biology Paper 2	P3/4 English Lang Paper 2	P3/4 Maths
WC 2 MAR	P1/2 Chemistry Paper 2 P3/4 class 112/Fr1 Listening & Reading	P1/2 Physics Paper 2		No exams	
WC 9 MAR	P3/4 MFL listening & reading - German - Spanish - Class 111/Fr1		No exams		

Year 11 Saturday Revision

Book your place via Arbor Parent App, Clubs section. Any questions regarding booking a place, please email mail@hgs.rklt.co.uk

10am to 1pm, G2

- Saturday 7, 14, 21 March
- Saturday 18 & 25 April
- Saturday 2 & 9 May

Year 11 Easter Revision

We are delighted to launch the Easter Revision timetable.

The timetable includes face to face sessions from Monday 30 March to Wednesday 1 April and online sessions.

[Click here](#) to access the original letter and timetable.

Places are offered on a first come first served basis and can be booked via Arbor Parent App within Trips section.

Places can be booked from 9am on Monday 9 February until noon on Thursday 26 March.

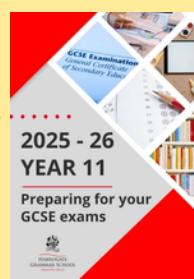
Preparing for your Exams Week by Week Resource

A reminder that this resource is available on the website for you to download.

HGS home page > Parents > Year 11 Support > scroll to the bottom of the page (red banner)

Download for the subjects you are studying.

The tasks commence from w/c 16 February.



Electronic copies of the **blank study timetables** can be accessed by clicking the images opposite.

Final reminder - Year 11 Hoodies

Have you ordered your hoodie? Final opportunity to order your hoodie via Arbor/Trips to pay the £28 and then complete [this form](#).

Information for Sixth Form Students

Year 13 Revision Sessions

Day	Time	Subject	Room
Monday	1 - 1.40pm	Physics	S29
Monday (Week A)	3.40 - 4.30pm	Geography	S26
Tuesday	1 - 1.40pm	Chemistry	S29
Tuesday	1 - 1.40pm	NEA support	S28
Wednesday (Week A)	3.30 - 4.30pm	Product Design	D05
Thursday	1 - 1.30pm	Religious Studies	S06
Thursday	1.05 - 1.40pm	Sociology	S04
Thursday (week A)	3.30 - 4.30pm	Maths/ Core Maths/ AS Maths / Further Maths	A14
Thursday (week B)	3.40 - 4.30pm	Geography	S26
Friday	3.30 - 4.30pm	Maths	S03
Everyday	1 - 1.40pm	Product Design	D05

Easter Revision sessions

The Easter revision timetable for Year 13 is now available via [this link](#).

Spaces are offered on a first come first served basis, and can be booked via the Arbor Parent App within Trips. Both face to face and online sessions are available to book.

Unifrog Apprenticeship Fair

To attend the Unifrog Virtual Apprenticeship Fair on Wednesday 11 February from 4pm, please sign up using the link [here](#).

By joining the virtual fair you will learn about the world of apprenticeships, explore the latest vacancies and hear from over 30 top employers. There will also be lots of top tips for applying for them! This fair is suitable for students in both Year 12 and Year 13.

Prospective Medics, Dentists and Vets Meeting

Prospective medics, dentists, and vets (Year 12 and Year 13) to meet Tuesday 10th Feb at 1:15pm in A30 with Miss Parker.

Please caan any allied health applicants from Year 13 also attend (physiotherapy, nursing, dental therapy etc), to give advice to year 12s on applications and volunteering.

Information for Sixth Form Students

Elevate Programme - Launching 24 February (lunch time in S07)

Are you thinking about applying to Oxbridge, medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine, competitive Russell Group courses, or high-level apprenticeships? We are launching The Elevate Programme to help you and your applications stand out.

Running on Monday lunchtimes from 24 February to May half term, the programme will help you build confidence in debate, tackle unfamiliar material, and develop the skills needed for competitive applications. You will also have the chance to connect with HGS alumni and gain insight into higher-level study. Please register your interest [here](#).

Year 13 Parents' Consultation Evening - Tuesday 24 February

Please follow the link provided below to access a letter from Mr Twitchin regarding the Year 13 Parents' Consultation Evening taking place in school on Tuesday 24 February.

[Year 13 Parents' Consultation Letter](#)

KS5 – Summer 2026 External Exam Timetables

Please [click here](#) to access a copy of the Summer Exam timetable.

Please note there are two contingency afternoons and a contingency day. All students taking A Level examination must plan to be available on these dates in case of any disruption. Where a student has a clash, these will be resolved through an individual timetable communicated nearer the time. Full Examinations information can be found in the Examinations section of the HGS website: [click here](#).

Year 13 University Finance and Advisory Evening 2026 – 4 March

On Wednesday 4 March, Year 13 students and parents are invited to the University Finance and Advisory evening. The evening will take place at 6.30pm in the Forum. This will include a presentation from Jonathan Croall, University of Huddersfield.

Library Study

If you find it difficult to study at home or you would like a change of scene, please follow this [link](#) to find a local library with study space, computers and opening times. Becoming a member of the library is free and can be done [here](#) online or in person at any library.

Progression and Careers

There are many other new opportunities live this week including some fantastic degree apprenticeships on the links below.

[Career and Apprenticeship Opportunities](#)

[Work Experience](#)

[Super-curricular](#)

[Career Pathways](#)

Life @ HGS

PTA update - date for your diary



Introducing the new Student Leadership Team



Congratulations to our new Student Leadership Team: Annabelle Gording and Zeno Gecser as Head Students. Eve Beckett-Kemp, Sofiah Clayton, Abigail Hambrook, Jasmine Levison, Logan Scott and Pranay Sharma as Deputies.

This week we welcomed the German Exchange students

The German Exchange students have enjoyed an action packed week at HGS. They arrived on Sunday afternoon and have spent time exploring Harrogate, attending lessons with their HGS exchange partners, a day trip to Skipton and York, learnt about cricket and baked scones on Friday before enjoying afternoon tea with their HGS exchange partners. HGS students fly to Germany in late March for the away leg of the exchange.



Year 8 Big Picture Morning - Careers

On Wednesday we were delighted to welcome Ardent to school to work with Year 8 students as part of our Big Picture Careers Morning series. Students had the opportunity to listen to presentations and find out more about engineering and working for a company before being set a design challenge by Ardent. Well done to all of the students for their excellent teamwork, designs and presentations and especially to the winning teams.



Life @ HGS Sporting Success



Netball Academy Success

Well done to the Netball Academy 1st squad who secured the runners up spot in the U19 Yorkshire Regional round of the National Schools Tournament. The team will be heading to the National Finals in March. Good luck!

Rugby Wins

The 1st and 2nd XV won their recent games against Stonyhurst College in the wet and muddy conditions. Despite the weather there were some great skills on show.



Good luck to the U15 Rugby Team

We wish good luck to the U15 rugby team who will play The Perse School on Wednesday afternoon at HGS in the quarter finals of the National Bowl.

Football Team - U12 success

Congratulations to the U12s boys football team who have progressed to the semi-final of the County Cup. Good luck in the next round.



A message from the Chair of Trustees, RKLT

Letter from Chris Tulley, Chair of Trustees, Red Kite Learning Trust



Dear parents and carers,

I am writing to share an update regarding leadership at Red Kite Learning Trust. As you may be aware, our founding Chief Executive Officer, Mr Richard Sheriff, will be retiring and leaving our Trust at February half term.

Richard has led our Trust since its establishment over ten years ago and, prior to this, served as Headteacher of both Harrogate Grammar School and Temple Moor High School.

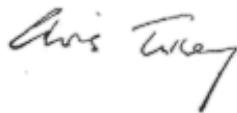
The Board of Trustees would like to thank Richard for his outstanding leadership, vision and dedication. Red Kite Learning Trust would not be what it is today without his tireless commitment to nurturing ambition, delivering excellence and enriching the lives of children and young people across all of our schools and the wider Red Kite Alliance. His leadership has been instrumental in shaping our Trust's values, culture and continued success and giving our Trust a national voice and reputation.

Richard is now looking forward to a well-earned retirement, and the Board of Trustees would like to wish him every happiness for the future.

Mr Ian Tucker will take over the role of Chief Executive Officer on Monday 16 February. Mr Tucker is currently the CEO of another Trust and will bring with him a wealth and breadth of experience across all phases of education, having previously been the Headteacher of a junior school, a primary school and then two large secondary schools. He has been working closely with Mr Sheriff and leaders across the Trust over recent months to ensure a smooth and seamless transition.

Thank you for your continued support of Red Kite Learning Trust.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Chris Tulley
Chair of Trustees
Red Kite Learning Trust

30 January 2026