



Dearne Weekly

What is happening in school

There are lots of activities to look forwards to next week during house week. All students have the opportunity to get involved, raise money for good causes and earn some house points!

The attendance raffle is running every day until the end of term. Each student who attends is put in a raffle to win prizes daily.

Tuesday 10th December is Year 11 parents evening, taking place in the Main Hall 3:30-6pm.

On Wednesday 18th December we will have Christmas jumper day alongside our school Christmas dinner. Students and staff can pay £1 to come to school in their Christmas jumpers. All money raised will go towards our five house charities.



Wellbeing Peer Mentor Training

The Wellbeing Hub have recruited peer mentors who will be taking part in our first ever training programme after Christmas. They will learn how to listen to students who have worries, but are too nervous to approach a member of staff in the first instance.

Once trained our peer mentors will be noticeable by these wellbeing badges and will be launching their drop in services during Children's mental health week.



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Astrea Academy Dearne, Barnsley

Astrea Academy Dearne received their Wellbeing Badge this month for going above and beyond in their efforts to improve student wellbeing and create a school environment where everyone feels supported. Their lunchtime safe space has helped students to build friendships and gain peers who are comfortable talking to about problems.

This month we are published in The Diana Award's national newsletter as Anti-Bullying Ambassador School of the Month. This is a great achievement for all involved and testament to the hard work of our ambassadors.



Some fantastic work has been happening with our boys wellbeing groups across years 8 and 9. Alongside sessions on wellbeing, groups meet regularly with their mentors to take part in different activities. Big thanks to Mr Moreton for running a Guitar and Drum Hero Workshop, also Mr Simon who introduced the boys to ironing! Girls Wellbeing groups are also doing lots of exciting work with their mentors – hear more about it next week.