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Learning For Life

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Dear Parents / Carers,

Thank you to Year 8 parents who joined us Tuesday evening to meet their child's tutor. Despite torrential rain it was lovely to see so many of you in person and discuss how they are settling into this academic year.

Additionally, it was good to see several Year 11 students and parents yesterday evening at the GCSE Information event. We have just received the decisions from the DfE and OfQUAL regarding changes to the assessment of GCSEs. We will be writing to all Year 11 parents next week to share the slides we used last night and some more of the detail regarding the repercussions for the imminent exam season.

We are looking forward to seeing many Year 11 parents next Thursday at the first Parents' Evening for this year group. Very well done to all the youngsters who participated in the Duke of Edinburgh expedition. They certainly enjoyed a range of weather, meeting some of the locals and some sheer hard work! My thanks to Miss Gray and Mrs Askham for their organisation of this.

We have received our date for vaccination of 12 – 15-year-olds for Wednesday October 13th. You will have received the NHS information regarding this, and we have sought your consent if you wish to have your child vaccinated. Please note that it is optional but will only be organised for students for whom we have parental consent. I will write to parents shortly to outline the procedure for the day. If you have not given consent for the vaccination your child will not be part of the vaccination programme and will remain in their lesson.

A reminder that our PTA Prom Committee are hosting a coffee morning at the Harborough theatre tomorrow 9 – 12 pm. Also, an additional reminder about coats, we operate largely outside for our social time, I admire the thermal resilience of some of our youngsters but the time is coming when a coat and possibly a woolly hat and gloves would be welcome.

Miss McBrearty

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LETTER TO THE WORLD

Reminder about our Writing Competition

in conjunction with Speak Out Magazine

Dear World...

What would you like to say to the world?

What do you love about the world we live in?

Think about the problems the world has at the minute.

What things would you like to change?

Any other ideas?

How to enter the competition:

Write a letter to the world. Aim for 200 to 250 words.

Be creative: you could write a poem or a piece of prose.

Email your letters to: lucchesic@wellandparkacademy.com

All students who enter the competition will receive a certificate and house awards.

The top 10 letters will be published on the school blog.

Writers of the top 3 letters will each receive a £10 book voucher.

The top 3 letters will also be published in Market Harborough's Speak Out Magazine.

Deadline: Friday 8th October, 2021

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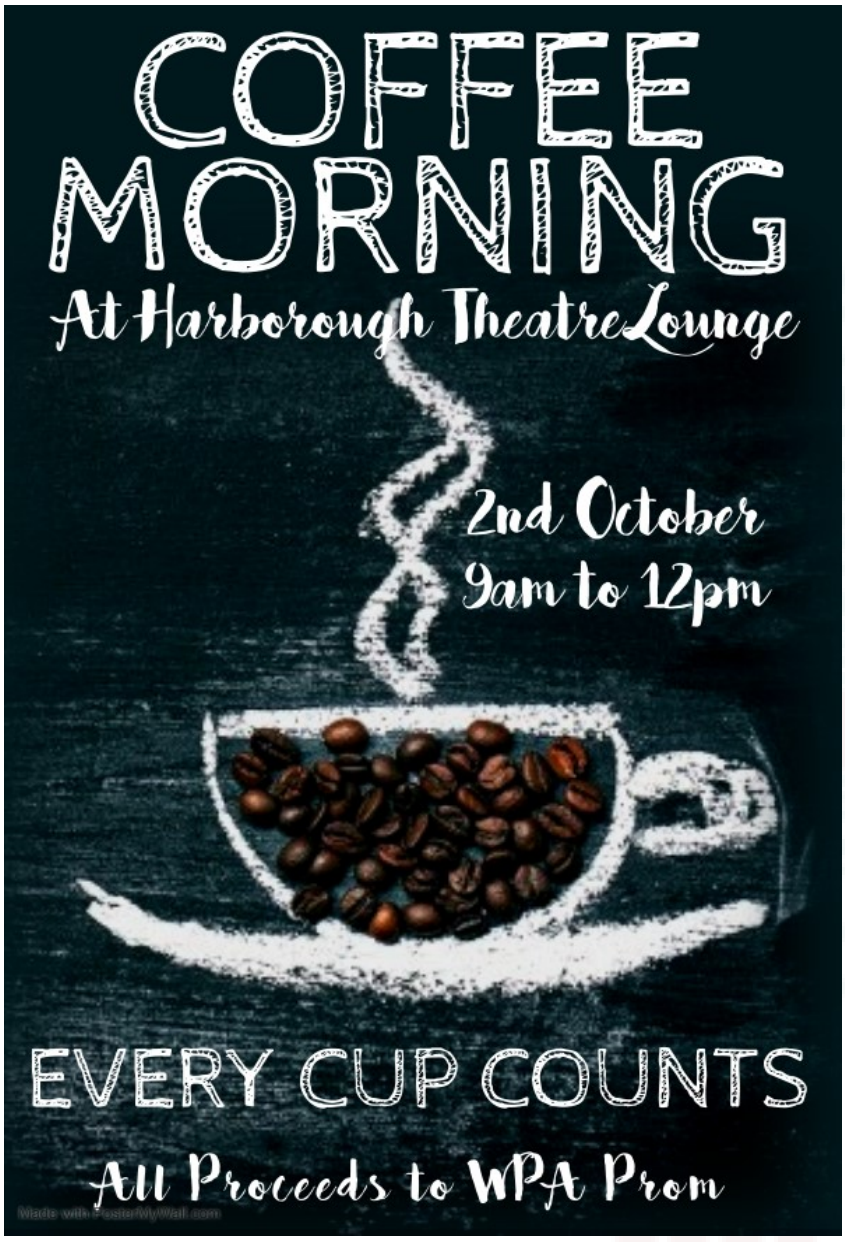

Thank you to everyone who has donated cakes and tombola prizes for our Coffee Morning at Harborough Theatre tomorrow.

If you have any cakes, cookies or biscuit bars to donate, please pop them into the Theatre tomorrow morning.

We will be serving refreshments from 9am to 12pm so please pop in and see us for a drink and a piece of cake. We will also have a tombola and Name The Teddy competition.

We are always looking for items that can be used on a Tombola stall. If you are having a bit of a clear out and you have anything that you think would be ideal, please send it into the front office .

Please keep your eyes peeled next week for details of the Birmingham Christmas Markets trip and also an upcoming Fashion Show.

Many thanks for your support.

Mrs Burgess—Chair

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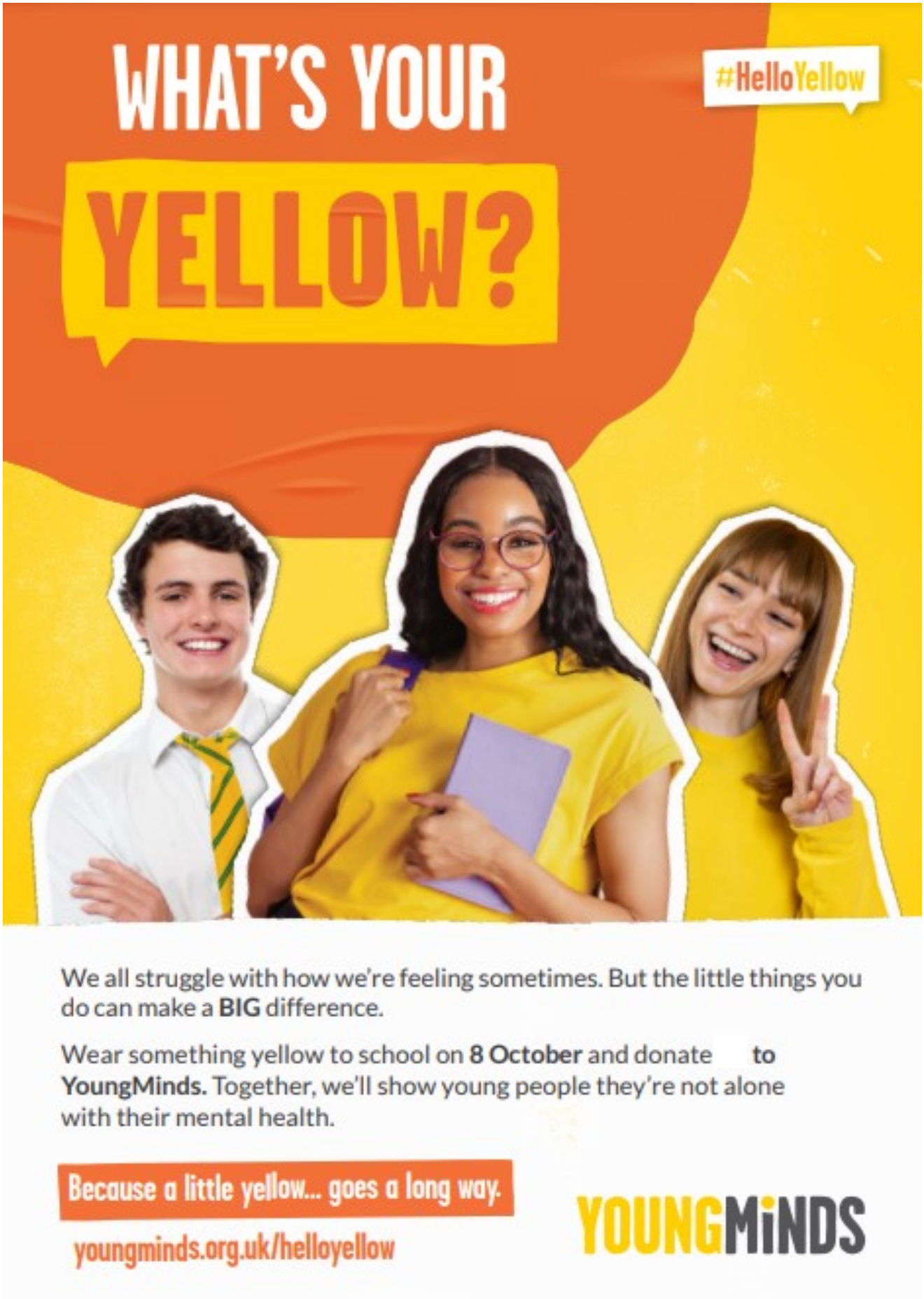
WHAT'S YOUR
YELLOW?
#HelloYellow
We all struggle with how we're feeling sometimes. But the little things you do can make a BIG difference.
Wear something yellow to school on 8 October and donate to YoungMinds. Together, we'll show young people they're not alone with their mental health.
Because a little yellow... goes a long way.
youngminds.org.uk/helloyellow
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We have arranged an event on Thursday 18th November 2021 aimed at supporting parents and carers of people with suspected or diagnosed Autism. This event will be held at The PitcHes in Hinckley, just off the A47, and will start at 10am with the first speaker starting at 10.30am. The event will also be Live Streamed via Microsoft Teams if you are unable to join us in person and there will be the facility to ask the presenters or support agencies questions whilst watching us online.

The event is FREE and intended to be very informal with refreshments and lunch provided.

Local Authority representatives will be present along with a number of local support groups and services who will be providing presentations and information stands. Parents and carers will have the opportunity to meet and chat with the various support groups present and other parents and carers. We hope the event will also encourage parents and carers to form their own local support groups.

Our main aims for the event are to:

- Improve the links between Prevent and local support groups and services.
- Help Parents / Carers Understand:
  - What Autism is as well as some common traits and misconceptions
  - How Autism can affect a child's development and social skills.
  - What support is available (education, financial, life skills, home support etc)
  - How to obtain this support / how to get a diagnosis.
  - The pros and cons of getting a diagnosis.
  - How to better understand, support and communicate with your child.
  - Where there may be increased risks in relation to rigid thinking, accepting presented information as the truth, different learning / communication styles etc.
  - What steps to take to help ensure your child is safe including online safety / grooming / reporting etc.
  - Who to turn to for ongoing support.

If you are a parent, carer or anyone else who feels that this event may be of benefit to them then please register for the event at http://autsupport.eventbrite.co.uk

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HALF TERM NETBALL

ONE DAY INTERMEDIATE WORKSHOP

We are delighted to be holding a one day Intermediate Workshop this October half term. Please join us for high quality, enthusiastic coaching. Learn new techniques and skills whilst having fun with like minded children.

For children in School years 7,8 and 9.

Friday 22nd October 2021

Contact us today!!

Cost £20 per attendee

Time 10am until 3pm

Limited Spaces– First come first served!

Coaches: Claire Adams and Millie Van Nierop

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Your collection leader is...

Mrs Pendell

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Mathster Classes

Popular after school sessions that engage and enrich young mathematical minds!

Do you have a maths loving child in KS2?

Then Mathster Classes will be perfect for them!

These sessions are for like-minded children to have fun whilst being stretched mathematically.

Emma, who is a qualified, specialist teacher, runs sessions on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at Welland Park Academy

Cost is £10 per session

TO BOOK YOUR CHILD A PLACE or A FREE TRIAL SESSION...Contact Emma on:

emma@ahead4numbers.co.uk

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AHEAD 4 NUMBERS
Expanding and enthusing young mathematical minds

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