



EBOR ACADEMY

News update

Keeping people in Filey in the picture · July 2015

New team ready for new term

On behalf of Ebor Academy Filey I'd like to extend a warm welcome to the 16 new members of staff set to join us at the start of the new academic year.

They make up a dynamic team brought in to improve the opportunities and outcomes of our students. The teachers bring a range of new skills to add to existing talent – and from September, we will all be working to a new, inspirational timetable designed to bring out the best in our young people.

There are plenty of changes ahead and a lot to get excited about. Read on to find out about our plans for extending our links with the community and our primary schools.

You can keep completely up to date with what's happening on our website, www.eboracademytrust.co.uk and we welcome comments and suggestions via eboracademyfiley@eboracademy.co.uk

Richard Ludlow, director of education, Ebor Academy Trust and executive principal, Ebor Academy Filey



Sign of the times: Richard Ludlow, left, with some of the new teaching staff at an induction day in Filey

FAMILY SERVICE DINING: To create a more social environment, "family service dining" is being introduced at Ebor Academy Filey. Rather than queuing for their meals, students of year groups 7 and 8, and then 9, 10 and 11, will be allocated tables where they will serve each other. The move will help students get to know others outside their year group. Meals at school will be compulsory in Years 7 and 8. ■ A new home school agreement is being prepared. This will be a contract between Ebor Academy Filey, students and parents and will detail expectations on all sides.

Welcome to primary children



Well-attended arts and music festivals involving feeder primary schools have been hosted by Ebor Academy Filey.

Nearly 200 Year 5 children took part in different Arts Day workshops which included photography, IT, design, graffiti art, finger puppets, clay, sketching, chalk and painting by scissors.

More than 100 children

of all ages from Filey Infants, Filey Junior and Cayton Primary schools were also involved in the "big sing" festival.

"We are keen to develop links with our partner educators at local primary schools," said Richard Ludlow, director of education with Ebor Academy Trust and executive principal of Ebor Academy Filey. "Bringing

children into the secondary school setting prepares them for the future and opens their eyes to the opportunities on offer. It also shows them that secondary school is a friendly and inviting place."

It is hoped that regular development projects will take place with primary schools, sharing expertise for the benefit of all children.



Children taking part in Arts Day – and sampling life at secondary school

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Humanities first to receive new Chromebooks for students

From September students will be using the latest Chromebooks for their work in geography, history and RE.

The humanities faculty at Ebor Academy Filey is the first to receive the new kind of laptop computers, which will enhance learning opportunities across the subjects.

It is the first part of a technology roll-out which sees

150 of the devices introduced to the school. Coupled with new computer suites, new servers and wi-fi across the site, young people in Filey will be ideally placed to make the most out of innovative teaching and learning techniques.

Studies show that the "lecture/reading" style of teaching provides about a ten per cent chance of retaining

and recalling information.

With the new technology there are a range of possibilities for analysing, evaluating and creating and students' chances of retaining information can jump to 90 per cent.

Technology is not a substitute for effective teaching, but research shows it can greatly enhance the learning experience.

Teachers from the humanities faculty at Ebor Academy Filey are pictured with some of the new Chromebooks

NEW SCHOOL DAY: There will be more opportunities for learning with an innovative, extended school day. On top of the usual curriculum, students will choose from a variety of additional subjects, or be directed if they need additional support. Among the extra "elective" subjects are sport, music, arts and literacy. School days will end at 3pm on Mondays, 4.05pm on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays and 2.30pm on Fridays. There will also be "stretch" projects for independent learning and "collective" learning where different year groups attend masterclasses in core subject areas. ■ A new behaviour code is to be introduced, promoting positive learning habits. It will provide clarity and consistency for all students.

Come join us at Ebor Academy Filey

Look out for details of our next open day, in preparation for our September 2016 intake. We'd love to welcome you if you'd like an individual visit – fill in the details below and we'll be in touch

Child's name:

Child's date of birth:

Parent/carer's name:

Address:

Telephone:

Email address:

Signature:

Date:

Clip completed form and post to: Ebor Academy Filey, Muston Road, Filey, North Yorkshire YO14 0HG. Or email: eboracademyfiley@eboracademy.co.uk



You shall go to the ball: Year 11s dressed to impress to celebrate the end of their GCSE exams – and the end of their secondary school career at Filey School. This year's prom was held at the Crown Spa Hotel in Scarborough. Some 94 students and 20 staff attended the glittering event. We wish all our former students the very best for their futures.

Everyone in Filey will benefit if school sports bid is successful

Ambitious plans for new sports facilities for use by the school and wider community are being prepared.

The old swimming pool site could be converted into a fitness suite with meeting, drama and dance facilities.

Sport development project lead, Kevin Davies, has spoken with community stakeholders to find out which facilities would bring benefit to the school and people who live nearby.

Now plans are coming together to prepare a bid for consideration by Sport England, the funding organisation committed to helping people and communities create sporting habits for life.

The bid for the project – which could

cost in the region of £1million – would be part-funded by the school and the local authority.

"This is very much an aspiration at the moment," said Richard Ludlow, director of education at Ebor Academy Trust and executive principal of Ebor Academy Filey.

"But it demonstrates our commitment to the school and to this area. If successful, we are confident this project would bring much-needed fitness and community facilities to Filey.

"We know from our experiences elsewhere just how popular sports facilities can be when shared with the local community – entire families have fun and get fit together."

TERM TIMES: Parents and carers have been consulted with a view to altering term times – and a decision has been made not to make any changes at present. The prospect of younger brothers and sisters at primary schools having different holidays would be too disruptive for families. This matter will be kept under review.