



# Vega College Newsletter

# **Progression!**

As we head into summer half term, we have had a busy and positive first summer term.

We are in the second week of final exam season; we are supporting our students to revise and prepare for and attend their exams. Alongside this, we are ensuring that all students are taking care of their mental health and wellbeing as this can be such a stressful time for them all.

As we look forward to heading into the second summer term, we will continue to support our Year 11 students in the final weeks of their exams to enable our students to achieve their full potential.

I would also like to take this opportunity to say thank you to the rest of the students and staff at Vega who have worked hard this term.



### Emma Wragg, Head of College

#### **KEY DATES #TEAMVEGA** Summer Half Term All core subjects are still being taught. **Holiday Starts:** Our students continue to enjoy their afternoon Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2023 project work where they study a subject of **Back to College:** their choice. Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023 We continue to build our students employability skills with a specific focus on **Summer Holiday** creativity which will follow through into the **Holiday Starts:** next summer term. Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2023 Students went on a wellbeing walk to the Wool **Back to College:** Market followed by a trip to Epic to enjoy some Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2023 time to focus on their mental health. Students were treated to a coronation celebration where we held afternoon tea and enjoyed sandwiches, cakes and scones.

### **Uniform Expectations:**

Vega College does not have a uniform policy; however, we do ask that all students wear clothes that cover them appropriately and reflect that they are accessing college as young adults.



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### **OTHER NEWS:**

**Attendance:** Students with higher attendance at school achieve better qualifications. We will be working closely with families over the next term to improve attendance rates. Please check individual student attendance with the mainstream school and our admin assistant at Vega.

Attendance Ladder		
0 days	100%	Perfect
4 days	98%	Impressive
7 days	96%	Good
9 days	95%	Nearly There
		Needs to
11 days	94%	Improve
20 days	90%	Concerns
		Serious
30 days	85%	Concerns



## ASPIRE

#### **Skills Builder:**

Students have been working on their creativity skills designing motivational quote canvases as well as designing fashion items including tote bags which the students thoroughly enjoyed.

#### Work Placements:

This term we have had a few students start their work placements, with one Year 9 student starting at a Hairdressers in Doncaster.

We have had one Year 10 student start at Active Travel, fixing bikes and enjoying community bike rides. Another Year 10 student has started at Cavy Corner Guinea Pig Sanctuary, taking care of the animals.



# **TEACHING AND LEARNING**

May 2023

This half term our Year 11 students have been revising Maths, English and Science and are currently sitting their exams. We are very proud of each and every one!

Our Year 10 topic is Charles Dickens and the Victorians. We will be visiting Cusworth Hall Museum to look at artefacts from this era.

For our student's personal development, we are focusing on building relationships. To aid with transition to college we are visiting Doncaster College Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> and Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May where we will take part in workshops such as Gaming, Transient Art and Hospital Simulator.





### Meet the Team:

In each newsletter we will introduce a member of the Team, this time we meet Mrs Wragg who is Head of Provision and Designated Safeguarding Lead at Vega College. Prior to this she was Assistant Head and SENDCO at Spa Academy in Askern. Emma has been teaching across all of the key stages since 1998 with specialism in SEN and inclusion throughout her career. Emma is passionate about inclusion and equality for all.