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NEWSFLASH

Fortnightly Newsletter of Woodhouse Grove School

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★ It's Showtime! ★

"Chicago: Teen Edition"

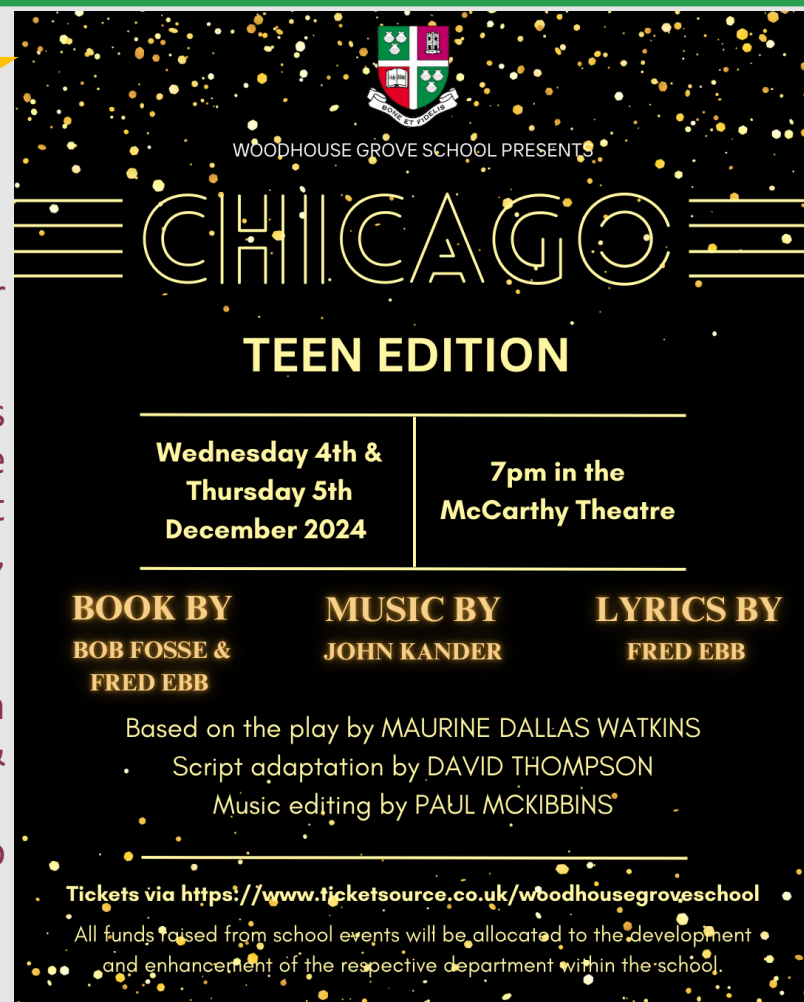
Chicago will be performed by our senior pupils in the McCarthy Theatre in December.

The cast began their rehearsals two weeks ago learning the choreography for the opening number "All That Jazz" and the pit band is nailing the tough Chicago score, pushing their limits and sounding great!

We can't wait to see it all come together on stage from 7.00pm on Wednesday 4th & Thursday 5th December.

Tickets now available, click link below to purchase.

[Woodhouse Grove School event tickets from TicketSource.](https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/woodhousegroveschool)



WOODHOUSE GROVE SCHOOL PRESENTS

CHICAGO

TEEN EDITION

Wednesday 4th & Thursday 5th December 2024

7pm in the McCarthy Theatre

BOOK BY
BOB FOSSE & FRED EBB

MUSIC BY
JOHN KANDER

LYRICS BY
FRED EBB

Based on the play by MAURINE DALLAS WATKINS
Script adaptation by DAVID THOMPSON
Music editing by PAUL MCKIBBINS

Tickets via <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/woodhousegroveschool>

All funds raised from school events will be allocated to the development and enhancement of the respective department within the school.



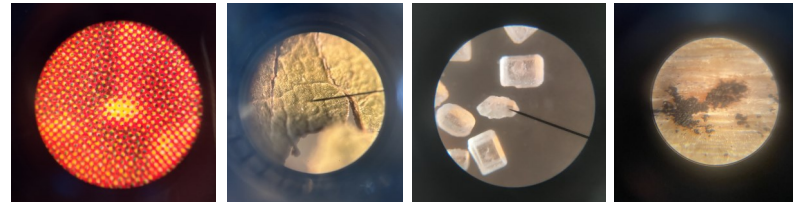
A-Level Biology Field Trip

Our A-level biologists spent three days in Cranedale earlier this week on a field trip. They sampled river organisms at Brompton Beck, set insect and mammal traps and spent a wet and windy day at Filey Brigg.



Science Focus

Last week in STEM club the students explored the technique of 'top-lighting' with microscopes, allowing them to see the surface of opaque object that wouldn't normally be visible under a microscope. They really enjoyed this activity and took photographs of some of the things they looked at, from left; a magazine picture, a leaf, sugar and a burnt wooden spatula.



Year 7 STEM CREST Awards

Year 7 STEM club students planned and investigated on a topic of their choice, aiming for real-world applications to achieve the prestigious Bronze level CREST Award. Projects ranged from the impact of drugs on the heart rate of invertebrates to exploring the viability of solar-powered cars as a future mode of transport.

Achieving this award requires creativity, dedication, and a genuine passion for STEM subjects. These students demonstrated all of these qualities in abundance, and their hard work has paid off.



HARVEST APPEAL

We are seeing an ever-increasing need - but a reduction in vital donations. By donating to this Harvest, you can support local people facing hardship.

What to bring?

Year 7 - UHT milk and juice

Year 8 - tinned meat and instant mash

Year 9 - tinned soup and tinned fruit

Year 10 - coffee and sugar

Year 11 - tinned tomatoes and custard

Sixth Form - toiletries and hygiene products

Where to bring?

Staff Room

To your Form tutor

To the Chaplain's office

Bradford
Central
foodbank



Scan to donate
or visit our website
bradfordnorth.foodbank.org.uk

Bradford North Foodbank is run, in partnership with local churches, for people in our local area.
Registered charity number 1150060 | Registered in England and Wales

Girls On Board

Girls on board is an initiative to help girls navigate friendship turbulence. Over the last 2 weeks, all girls in Years 7 - 13 have been introduced to this programme.

Pupils were encouraged to discuss with their peers their experiences within friendships and to consider some truths about their dynamics.

We are invested in this innovative approach, which promotes autonomy for girls to find their own resolutions.



PSHCE and Life Skills

Year 9 have taken part in the marshmallow challenge which encourages them to work as a group promoting critical thinking and helping them to demonstrate resilience in the face of challenges or frustrations.



Years 11, 12 and 13 have had interactive webinars delivered by HSBC bank on 'Fraud and your money' and 'Introduction to Investing'.



Year 10 are currently participating in life skills training during form time, with a focus on first aid. This training is also beneficial for those working towards their Duke of Edinburgh Award.



Sixth Form News

Thanks to Sam Binns (OG23) who is going into his second year of studying Materials Science at Imperial College, London.

Sam presented to students about Materials Science and the jobs it could lead to in the future.



Year 12 Adventure Day

Last Friday the whole of Year 12 headed off, in sunshine, to High Adventure, Cowling for a team building day. Students engaged in different activities requiring teamwork and good communication skills, which they displayed in abundance.

Activities included climbing, bouldering, orienteering and an underground labyrinth.



Year 11 Experience Day

Year 11 took the opportunity to sample sixth form life at the Grove while Year 12s were out — and they're absolutely loving it!

Not only are they enjoying the academic side, experiencing a wide range of subject options, but they also took the opportunity to relax and socialise in the modern, comfortable Sixth Form Building.



Duke of Edinburgh Bronze

Congratulations to last year's Year 10 pupils collecting their Bronze DofE awards last week during their assembly.



Dungeons and Dragons Club

D&D Club is back for 'The Fellowship of the Grove' season four, with over forty students playing across two rooms.

Adventurers from across all year groups are showing off their problem-solving and teamwork skills as they continue their campaigns. We've also welcomed a brand new group of Year 7 players who are entering 'the theatre of the mind' for the first time, this term! Students use their laptops to access the digital D&D Beyond website and app for managing character sheets and dice rolls.



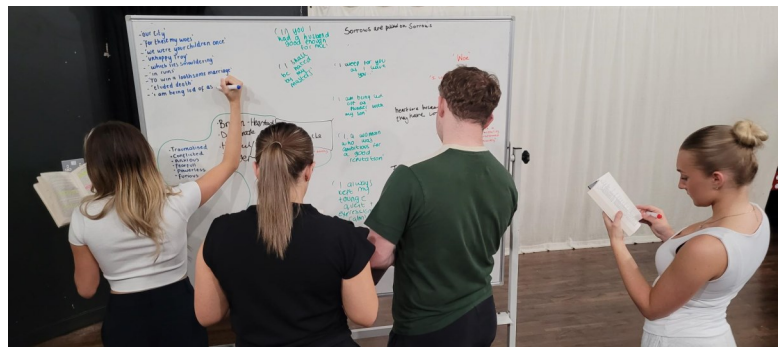
Cricket Presentation Night

Congratulations to all our award winners at last night's cricket presentation evening. It is clear that cricketing is flourishing at the Grove and it was great to celebrate with both our boys and girls teams. Thanks to everyone who attended.



A-level Drama

Our A-level Drama students were unpicking the psyche of Andromache, a Trojan woman dealing with trauma and grief after the fall of Troy. They are bringing this role to life using Artaud's Theatre of Cruelty and delving beyond the script to explore the raw emotions of the character.



Another asylum seeker soccer session took place in September with 17 asylum seekers and 5 local players.



Sporting Success

Congratulations to **Noah Smith, Year 12**, who represented the UK at the 2024 IPRF (international Precision Rifle Federation) World Championship at Grand Junction, Colorado USA. A massive achievement as Noah is now ranked 11th in the World in Juniors after only 18 months of participation.



Congratulations to **Noah Hargreaves, Year 9**, who has signed for Huddersfield Town AFC, and has recently been called up for the IFSA England U14's squad.



Congratulations to **Dougie Hargreaves, Year 8**, who has retained his place in the Yorkshire U14's County Golf squad following a busy summer where hard work led to his handicap being halved to 9.6 and he came 3rd in the Grand Final of the Northern Junior Golf tour.

Schools Golf

Unfortunately our team that entered the Independent Schools Golf Matchplay Cup lost 2 matches to 1 against GSAL. Benji lead the team from the front winning 7 & 6 but unfortunately Josiah and Matty both lost very close matches 2 down on the 17th hole.



Rugby Roundup

Friday Night lights against Oakham at Loughborough University was a great experience for our U12s as well as our 1st XV. U12s won 25-5 and the 1st drew 15-15.



A great win for our 3rd XV against Ashville 1st XV, score 19-17 and also for our U15, U14 and U13 teams.

We also enjoyed an excellent block fixture against RGS Newcastle with 5 wins out of 8 and our U15s recorded a fine victory 26—17 against St Peter's, York in the cup and will meet Hymers in the next round.

Our U12's played in the Tait 10's at Barnard Castle last week finishing 5th overall.

U13 McCarthy Rugby Festival

We were delighted to welcome 15 teams from across Yorkshire to play in the David McCarthy U13 Festival.



The teams played in groups of 5 then moved on to play against the teams who had finished in the same position in their first group. [Click here for more photos](#)

The Grove side performed well, winning 3 games against Bradford Grammar School, Harrogate Grammar School and King's Pontefract before narrowly losing to Hill House School. The side then beat St Peter's York and drew with Prince Henry's Otley to end the day in fourth place out of 15 teams.

Netball

Congratulations to our 1st VII (35-33) and our U12A team (18-17) who both won their games against Oakham in the Friday night lights game at Loughborough University. Both very close matches.



Congratulations to our 1st and 2nd VII who both won their tournaments at the Alex Reid Tournament.

Our netball squads also enjoyed a great block fixture against Stockport Grammar with 7 wins from 8 games.

Football

Last week our U14 girls won in the ESFA competition, winning 11-1 against Gateways. This was another strong performance for these girls; they are now looking forward to the challenges that lie ahead.

On Monday, the U13 boys opened their account in the ISFA Bowl with a resounding 8-0 victory over Terra Nova. It was an excellent performance with Naveed and Noah A both scoring two goals each.

Our 1st XI beat Rishworth School 5-0 in the National Bowl.



If you have any student news that you would like to be included in Newsflash, please email mcmamus.lm@woodhousegrove.co.uk

WOODHOUSE GROVE SCHOOL
Sport's Christmas Ball
FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2024
THE MIDLAND HOTEL
BRADFORD
BD1 4HU
GET YOUR TICKETS NOW VIA:
[HTTP://WWW.TICKETSOURCE.CO.UK/WOODHOUSEGROVESCHOOL](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/woodhousegroveschool)

Cross Country News

A record number of 50 athletes took part in the Bingley Harriers race in September. Well done to everyone who raced, especially the Year 7 debutants and **Harriet Williams, Year 10, Charley Clark-Taylor, Year 11 and Archie Peaker, Year 12** who all made the podium.



Our **Couch to 5K** programme is going really well for students and staff alike. Anyone is welcome to come along on Thursdays from 4.15 till 5.00pm - whether you're a beginner or just looking for a way to stay active!



Friends of Woodhouse Grove (FOWG)

For those new to the Grove, FOWG, is our Parent Association who raise funds for school, as well as other charities through the sale of pre-loved uniform and some great social events throughout the year, including their Christmas Fair.

Through pre-loved sales alone, FOWG raised almost **£5,500** over the last 12 months across both schools, their best year ever.

They couldn't do this without the support of our families and are extremely grateful to receive donations of outgrown uniform and sports kit which can be dropped off at school reception. All styles are welcome! We will be sending a consignment of outgoing styles to Changing Stars Milawi over the half term break.

If you would like to place an order for any pre-loved uniform or make an enquiry, please contact the pre-loved team on 07415 367085
Thank you for your support.



WGS Autumn Term Camps 2024

**Monday 21st and
Tuesday 22nd
October**

Multisport

Years 1, 2, and 3 with
Mr Waterhouse

**Wednesday 23rd
and Thursday 24th
October**

Multisport

Years 4, 5, and 6 with
Mr Waterhouse

**Tuesday 29th and
Wednesday 30th
October**

Cricket

Ages 5 - 13 with
Mr Randhawa

**Thursday 31st and
Friday 1st
November**

Rugby

Years 7 & 8 with
Mr Barr

**Thursday 31st
October**

Netball

Leeds Rhinos Netball
Foundation

**Thursday 19th and
Friday 20th
December**

Rugby

Years 5 & 6 with
Mr Waterhouse and
Years 7 & 8 with Mr Barr

Friday 3rd January

Cricket

Ages 5 - 13 with
Mr Randhawa

Each camp will have a variety of activities in order to develop skills for different sports.

The age group of each camp varies but is highlighted on TicketSource.

Buy your tickets now on
TicketSource.

