



## Season's Greetings

**We would like to wish you all good wishes for the festive season.  
We hope you all have a merry Christmas and a peaceful New Year.  
We look forward to welcoming students back  
to school on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019.**

## Generous Support for Food Bank

**Thank you to all students, families and members of staff who donated items to our food bank appeal.**

The items collected will support the work of the East Riding Food Bank, which includes providing support to people in Beverley.

Tins of food, pasta, rice, tea and coffee were amongst the basic staples that were donated, along with biscuits, soup mixes, long-life milk, shower gel and soap.

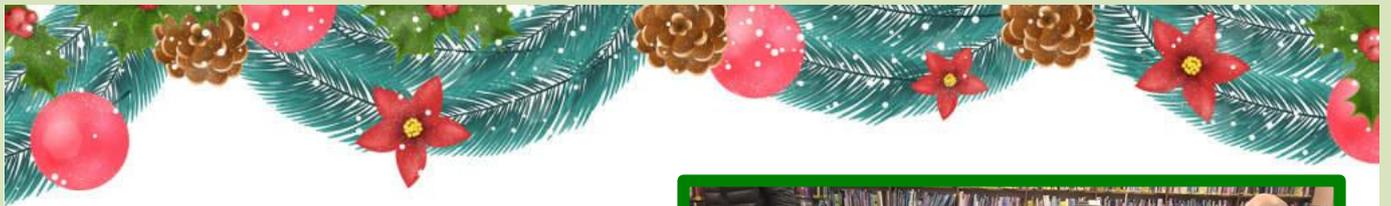
This was also an opportunity for Longcroft to give something back to the community and for all students to consider others at during this festive season.



**Holly, Daniel, Emma and Barnaby  
with some of the donated items.**

The East Yorkshire Food Bank accepts items throughout the year - if you would like more information about the work of the Trust [click here](#). For further details about the East Yorkshire Food Bank [click here](#). Finally, for more information about what can and cannot be donated, [click here](#).





## Chess Tournament

On Monday evening the Upper School Library hosted a chess tournament when students competed in some fast and furious matches under the supervision of chess expert Mr Ezra. Well done to all those students who entered the tournament, and congratulations to medal winners Harvey Easton-Minns (bronze), Alex Paraschiv (silver), and overall winner Zack Ederies (gold medal and cup). Students will receive their awards in assembly.



Chess club is in the US Library every Monday and Friday at lunchtime or after school. ; we look forward to more exciting tournaments in the future. In addition, Mr Ezra hopes to establish a chess club during Tuesday and Thursday lunchtimes – more details of this next year. **Thank you to Ms Carvill and Mr Ezra for supporting out chess enthusiasts.**

## Crafty Christmas Lesson

The US Library became a hive of festivity on Monday, when students designed and created their very own Christmas wreaths to adorn their front doors. Using fir branches, holly, ivy, and Christmas decorations the ACE group demonstrated their outstanding craft skills.



After their hard work students were read Ian Serrailier's *The Silver Sword*, a book that they're finding riveting. Well done!

*"I think it's the books that you read when you're young that live with you forever."*

J. K. Rowling





## Well Done to Year 8 Rugby League

The Year 8's Rugby League team entertained Minsthorpe School from Wakefield in their third and final match of the Yorkshire Cup group stage.

After some good defence by both teams, Minsthorpe went in at the break 8-0 up after two good tries. Longcroft played the better rugby in the second half, with forwards Tom Rea and Sam Davis leading the way. Halves Max Bayes and Will Hutchinson worked tirelessly to try to break down the tough defence. Harrison Glendinning, who had an impressive second half, crossed for an excellent try. Soon after, Max Bayes scooted over from Dummy Half to level the scores eight-a-piece with just five minutes remaining. He then executed a perfect drop goal to snatch a victory from the jaws of defeat, Longcroft edging it 9-8.

A special mention should go to Year 7 Josh Jenkinson, who was sensational after coming on at half time to make his Year 8 debut.

The team won two out of their three matches, but the impressive Corpus Christi will qualify for the semi-finals after winning all three games. We now play Allerthorpe in the Yorkshire plate in the New Year.

**Well done to all the team and thank you to Mr Cassidy and Mr Trotter for their support.**

## Beverley Youth Coalition Logo Competition

**Calling all young artists in the Beverley area...**

**We need your help!**

The Beverley Youth Network would like you to design us a logo to help promote all the local youth groups, services and activities.

The logo will need to relate to young people and the area of Beverley.

There will be prizes for the overall winner and two runners up.

If you have any questions please email [steve@ervas.org.uk](mailto:steve@ervas.org.uk) or call 01482 871077.

Competition entries need to be sent in by **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2019**.

You can enter your design by: emailing  or you can post it to:  
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Or message us via the Beverley Youth Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/BevYouth/>

Or you can tweet us at: @ErvasYouth

Please ensure you write your name and a contact telephone number on the back of your entry





## English Poetry Competition

Over the last couple of weeks Mrs Hollingshead has been running a poetry competition with one of her Year 9 classes. The theme was World War One remembrance and four poems in particular were selected as finalist, **with the winning verse composed by Penny Williams, Maddie Langdon and Lucy Walker**. Well done to everyone who took part and thank you to Mrs Hollingshead for organising this. The winning poem is below and we will share the others with you next term. This is a poignant way to end the year that has marked the centenary of the conclusion of The Great War.

### As They Marched Down the Hill

As the sun began to set,  
A bang – in the distance,  
These men who one met,  
Were given no assistance,  
As they marched down the hill.

A fallen comrade,  
Innocent and naïve,  
His oblivious, doting mother,  
Pondering about what he had achieved.  
Had he encountered his eldest brother?  
She wondered,  
As she gazed blankly at the confidential  
sheet of paper,  
She thought,  
As some marched down the hill.

Boom!  
And then the realisation appeared.  
Disintegrated happy memories,  
New born anxiety,  
Eternal hours as the destruction seeped into the  
trenches.  
Waiting,  
Wondering,  
Worrying.  
As they tumbled down the hill.

### Diary Dates

7th January 2019 – First Day of Term

