

Scarborough UTC News Flash

Friday 21st November 2025

INTRODUCTION

Dear Parent/Carers,

A simple thank you to all, in a week that delivered the first glimpse of Winter.

Student commitment and attitude to work as normal has been admirable and it is reflective of their aspirations for their own academic excellence and future careers.

As we look ahead to trial exams, our focus is on routines and maintaining the necessary motivation to carry forward our plans.

Success is the accomplishment of an aim or purpose. Success is defined by the state of our own expectations. Success is the sum of all efforts repeated day in and day out.

Have a wonderful and safe weekend.

Thank you for your continued support.

John Connell

Vice Principal

HOUSE OF COMMONS

This week we were delighted to receive this letter from our local MP Alison Hume. Ms Hume has often spoken about Scarborough UTC and the surrounding area in the House of Commons to raise awareness of the work we do. It was fantastic to also know that she has shared and celebrated the achievements of the Stem Racing Team on a national scale. It is really heartening to know that the students' success has been recognised on a wider scale, and we are grateful to Ms Hume for making this a talking point.



FLU VACCINATION

The nurses are returning to Scarborough UTC for a second visit on Thurs 11th December 2025 to administer the FLU Vaccination (nasal spray or injection). If you haven't already done so, please can you complete a consent for your child. The nurses need this in order to administer the FLU vaccination.

Please go to https://yny.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2025/northyorkshire to complete either a YES or NO consent form, as soon as possible.

We kindly ask if you would NOT like your child to receive the vaccination, please complete a 'no' consent to avoid us contacting you further.

FEAST

Redeem your vouchers for free holiday activities with food this Christmas

We have issued FEAST vouchers to all families whose children/young people receive benefits-related free school meals. These vouchers entitle your child to free places on FEAST activities this Christmas holiday, where they'll also receive a free heathy meal. You should have received this voucher via email or text, from a platform called Holiday Activities. Follow the link to redeem your voucher and book your child's place on some of the fantastic activities on offer in our area.

Please note that this Christmas, families can request places from **Monday 17 November**, but bookings won't be confirmed until **Friday 21 November**. This short wait gives everyone time to browse activities and express interest before places are allocated. You should hear back within a week to let you know if your child has a place. This new approach helps make things fairer, giving every family an equal chance to enjoy FEAST activities and meals.

If you believe your child is eligible and you have not yet received your voucher, or you have lost it, please contact the school office.

To learn more about FEAST, and for information on activities, eligibility and how to manage your bookings, <u>visit the website</u>.

Free school holiday activities this Christmas

FEAST offers activities with healthy meals to children and young people across North Yorkshire in the Christmas holidays. FEAST is free to children and young people who receive benefits-related free school meals.

If you believe your child is eligible and you have not yet received your voucher, or you have lost it, please contact the school office.

If you have questions or want to learn more, check out the FEAST website.

SAFEGUARDING

It is essential for safeguarding purposes that Lanyards and identity cards are worn at all times. Should cards become lost or damaged these must be replaced. Replacements can be purchased via MCAS. Lanyards are required for identification for all working staff within the building. Students who forget such items must sign into college manually and this adds to workload. It is our student's responsibility to ensure they are prepared for each day.

All students who have poor punctuality and fail to bring a lanyard receive immediate negative stages – these cumulatively result in Lunch time detentions.

We are committed to our students and families and we continue to provide support and points of contact.

Should you be concerned and feel that you need to share information please contact and refer information to the following email: dsl@scarboroughutc.org.uk

SUTC Designated Safeguarding Lead and Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead monitor the email.

MONITOR, REPORT, ENCOURAGE

All students have been issued with emails and online accounts and all are reminded of the importance of maintaining security using college account usernames and passwords and to report concerns if they feel that accounts have been compromised.

ATTENDANCE

It is very important to ensure that all medical and illness absences are reported daily by parents using our absence line or enquiries to Miss. Brown our Data and Attendance Officer. Should you make a call for a reported student illness – please expect a phone call back from the attendance team to check details and provide support as required.

Absences for medical reasons will only be authorised if evidence is provided, and it remains the responsibility of parents to provide this evidence. Acceptable evidence includes appointment letters or texts, and photographs of prescriptions or medications showing the name & date. These can be emailed to the enquiries email address or handed in/ shown at Reception.

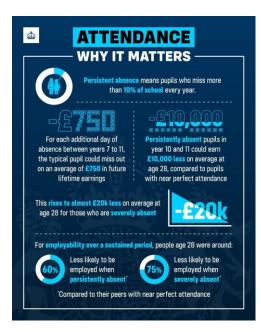
Attendance will always be a continual reminder. Excellent attendance is above 96.5%. It is important that all students work hard to continually improve, this contributes significantly to maintain and improve overall progress and attainment.

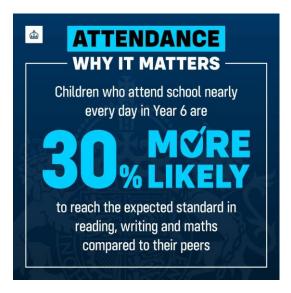
All students with 100% receive 10 professional points per week. Student above the 96.5 target receive 5 points per week.

Attendance monitoring and formal procedures are followed robustly. We work closely with NYC attendance team to address attendance concerns at the earliest stage.

Attendance Focus

Student support to achieve excellent attendance is vital. In addition to support from our attendance team. Students will receive regular attendance support sessions in college and actions on home -visits will be scaled up.





Professional Development Training Day	Friday 28 th November 2025
Christmas Holiday	Monday 22 nd December 2025-Friday 2 nd January 2026
Professional Development Training Day	Monday 5 th January 2026
Spring Term starts for pupils	Tuesday 6 th January 2026
Half Term Holiday	Monday 16 th February-Friday 20 th February 2026
Easter Holiday	Monday 30 th March-Friday 10 th April 2026
Summer Term starts for pupils	Monday 13 th April 2026
Bank Holiday	Monday 4 th May 2026
Half Term Holiday	Monday 25 th May-Friday 29 th May 2026
Summer Term Ends	Friday 17 th July 2026
Professional Development Training Day	Monday 20 th July 2026

For the academic year 2026-2027 please consult the North Yorkshire Council website