

April 2025 Edition

Featured Stories

Named St John Ambulance Cadet of the North East: My Journey and Reflections Jack Hayward

When I first joined St John Ambulance as a cadet, I never imagined that one day I would be named Cadet of the North East. Sitting in the BBC Radio Humberside studio, preparing to share my experiences, I couldn't help but reflect on how much this journey has shaped me.

I first became interested in first aid when I was younger, fascinated by the idea that a simple set of skills could mean the difference between life and death. Joining St John Ambulance at the age of 8, I quickly realised that being a cadet was about much more than bandages and CPR—it was about teamwork, leadership, and making a real difference in my community.



Over the years, I have had the privilege of volunteering at events, assisting in real-life first aid situations, and even mentoring younger cadets. Each experience has been a lesson in confidence and resilience. I remember

one particular moment when I had to stay calm while helping an injured veteran on Remembrance

Day. That experience reinforced the importance of first aid and the responsibility that comes with wearing the uniform.

Being recognised as Cadet of the Year for the North East is an incredible honour. It represents not just my efforts, but also the support of my mentors and fellow cadets who have inspired and encouraged me. This award is a reminder of how valuable first aid knowledge is and the difference young people can make when given the opportunity.

As I spoke on BBC Radio Humberside, I wanted to emphasise how vital organisations like St John Ambulance are. First aid isn't just a skill for paramedics and doctors; it's something everyone should know. I hope my story encourages other young people to get involved, whether by learning first aid, volunteering, or simply raising awareness.

Looking ahead, I am eager to continue my journey in first aid, whether by training new cadets or taking transferable skills into the workplace.

Whatever the future holds, I know that my time with St John Ambulance has given me skills and



experiences that will stay with me for life. For any young person thinking about joining St John Ambulance, my advice is simple: do it. You never know when your skills could save a life, and you might just find a passion that changes your own in the process.











Amazing Rugby Achievements!

Our Year 7, Year 8, Year 9 and Year 10 Girls teams and our Year 8 and Year 9 Boys teams have all won their respective competitions this academic year and will now represent ASA in the Yorkshire Cup Final. This remarkable success means that all 6 teams will now represent ASA by competing in the National Cup competition.

This is an incredible achievement that everybody associated with ASA is very proud of. Well done to everyone involved!

ASA Celebrates World Book Day with Iconic Characters!

ASA marked World Book Day in spectacular fashion, bringing literature to life with an array of incredible costumes and book-themed activities. From the fierce Lady Macbeth to the ever-elusive Where's Wally? squad, the school was transformed into a world of storytelling magic. Even the grumpy T-Rex from Jurassic Park made an appearance, proving that books truly can bring characters to life! The day was filled with a love for reading, creativity, and plenty of fun, reminding us all of the power of stories to inspire and entertain.



Jeffrey Boakye's Inspiring Visit to ASA!

On 7th March, ASA had the privilege of welcoming Jeffrey Boakye, acclaimed author, educator, and speaker, for an inspiring session with our students. Jeffrey shared his experiences of growing up, overcoming challenges, and the importance of holding onto our dreams.

He spoke passionately about identity, resilience, and the power of education, leaving students motivated and encouraged to pursue their ambitions.

His visit was a memorable opportunity for everyone to reflect on their own journeys and futures.











Community Opportunities

Parent/Carer Training Opportunity:

Aspire will be putting on a training session for parents/carers around the Making Sense of Autism module.

This will take place on Friday 4th April from 2pm until 3:30pm. It will be held at Aspire's Revive Site on Bridlington Avenue. Please see the link to the flyer below for more information:

Parent/Carer Training Opportunity.pdf

'Pizzas For Easter'!

Pizza for Easter

During the Easter holidays we will be providing all of the ingredients so families can make their own pizza at home.

The pizza kit comes with an ingredients list (including allergens) along with preparation and cooking instructions.

Please contact us to for more information on how to order your FREE pizza.

Collection from our office 1 Endeavour Crescent, Hull HU9 5SZ only.









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Upcoming Events

ASA Food Bank - **TODAY** - Friday 4th April 2025 (4-5pm).

ASA Community Summer Fair - Saturday 5th July 2025.

The Parent Council

After the huge successes of our termly community events, the Parent Council are busy planning our next event:

The ASA Summer Event! This is pencilled in for 05/07/25, so please save the date!



If you are interested in joining the Parent Council then please see <u>this link</u> for more information - we would love for you to join us!

Attendance & Rewards

If your child is not attending school it is imperative that you alert the school in advance. The easiest way to do this is via email on:

asa.attendance@hslt.academy

The Thrive Directory of Services has been developed by Hull City Council and partners to provide support for children, young people and families emotional health and well being. There is a link on the school website under the attendance section.

Please see this link for the new procedures for students who are too ill to remain at school during the school day.

There is a direct link between attendance and outcomes at the end of school. The more you attend the better your outcomes will be.











Personal Development

Please click on this link to access our website page that explains our ASA Enrichment Offer.

A key part of our enrichment offer is our extended-enrichment clubs and activities timetable, which can be viewed here.

Please encourage your children to attend as many of these clubs as they wish!

PSHE:

This half term students in Year 7 will be focusing on their dreams and goals for the future - employment skills and the world of work. Year 8s will focus on community cohesion and the British Values as well as the all important Protected Characteristics.

Our Year 9s have a focus on online safety and keeping themselves safe online and offline. Year 10s will be looking ahead to their work experience and looking at what success in the workplace looks like.

Year 11 will focus on keeping themselves safe, healthy relationships and consent.

ASA provides FREE sanitary products to all young people within the academy. Wherever you see this box you can access products and will be treated with discretion and respect:



Careers

Here is the <u>link</u> to the careers section of our website. Here you will find our careers programme and other important information that you might find useful. Please Note: this is updated throughout the year.

Labour Market Information (LMI):

In short, LMI refers to any relevant information about the current state of the jobs market. This website <u>'Skills and Hull and East Yorkshire'</u> is a great source of information about LMI and the











local jobs market, which includes growth areas and businesses in our region.

Y10 Work Experience:

Students need to keep looking for suitable placements and then fill in the appropriate forms. In an effort to go green, our preference is to use an app to complete these forms, however paper forms are also available from Mrs Lockham in the library. We have managed to secure an extension to the deadline for placements. These now need to be submitted by April 30th 2025. For any support or questions, please contact Mrs Lockham on the Academy telephone number.

British Science Week at Wilberforce College:

On Monday 10th March, 14 students were invited to Wilberforce College as part of British Science Week. They were involved in workshops and activities, including making their own bath bombs!



HEYLEP Student Voice:

On Tuesday 11th March, our two Careers Student Voice members, Isabelle and Jordan, presented at Craven Park to a room of local employers and local schools giving their views on how school Careers Education should be delivered. They prepared well and performed with professionalism!















NHS ICB Workshops:

On Thursday 20th March and Friday 21st March, groups of students from Year 9 and Year 10 were invited to learn more about the different career pathways available in the NHS. The workshops were delivered by staff from the ICB (Integrated Care Board) and they were really impressed with the interest and engagement from our students!

IntoUniversity Year 8 Workshop:

On Thursday 27th March, IntoUniversity (based at the Freedom Centre) delivered a workshop about Transferable Skills. The Year 8 students involved behaved impeccably and the IntoUniversity team were really impressed!

Careers & Wellbeing Fair:

On 2nd April 2025, ASA hosted a vibrant careers fair, bringing together students and a diverse range of business stakeholders from various industries. Organised by Mrs Stephenson & Mrs Lockham, the event provided students with valuable opportunities to engage with professionals and explore potential career paths. A fantastic range of companies from Hull attended, including Northern Gas, HETA, NHMT, GTA, East Riding College, the NHS, Hull University, Connexions, the RAF, Cranswick and more. Their representatives shared insights into different industries, offering students a first-hand look at the opportunities available to them. Mrs Stephenson described the fair as a wonderful occasion for both students and the local business community to connect and engage in meaningful

discourse.

Students found the event highly beneficial, with Jake, a Year 10 student, commenting: "I really enjoyed the careers fair. It gave me a lot to think about for my future options and helped me understand more about different career paths." Brandon, in Year 10, said: "I liked the opportunity to talk to a range of colleges and apprenticeship providers. They talked me through courses I would need to do and explained the different jobs they can lead to. I have definitely decided I want to study business and have a career in it." The event was a resounding success, fostering networking, professional growth, and future opportunities for all involved.





Safeguarding

The Safeguarding Team uses the Thrive referral route and wanted to make the community aware that parents and children can also access support needed themselves by using the info below:













To ensure a safe and positive Easter break for children in Hull HU9, parents should be aware of their children's whereabouts, online activities, and encourage open communication about any concerns or worries. Here's a more detailed breakdown of safeguarding information for parents during the Easter holidays:

Know Your Child's Activities and Whereabouts:

- Supervision: Make sure your child is supervised appropriately, especially during the school holidays when they have more free time.
- Location: Know where your child is going, who they are with, and when they will be back.
- Friends and Families: Find out about your child's friends and their families, and establish a relationship with them.
- Activities: Encourage participation in positive activities with local groups that you trust.

Parent support websites can offer lots of help and information on how to keep children safe. Have a

browse of the NSPCC website. It can be really useful:

NSPCC SUPPORT FOR PARENTS

Quality of Education

Please continue to encourage your child to use GCSEPod Revision and Mathswatch.

If you require support with passwords, encourage your child to see Mrs Lowe or their Maths teacher. Alternatively, please contact the school and ask for Mrs Lowe or Mrs Hill. Thank you.

How to Get in Touch

Telephone: 01482 781912

Email: hello@asa.hslt.academy

Effective communications between home and school are of paramount importance to ensure that all students have the very best care and education possible. Therefore, in order to ensure these are as effective as possible, please can we politely remind parents/carers that they must phone reception to book meetings with staff. Please do not turn up hoping to be seen immediately because, as I am sure you will understand, this is not always possible.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding with this matter.











Reporting a Concern

If you have a concern about a student or anyone else in our school community please report it.

Mr Fraser is the Designated Safeguarding Lead and Mrs Drinkall is the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead. They are available by contacting the main school telephone number on 01482 781912 or via the following email address: safeguarding@asa.hslt.academy

Whisper

If you'd like to report an anonymous safeguarding issue or you have concerns related to mental health, you can do so by visiting the following web link: https://swgfl.org.uk/whisper/asa1/

Alternatively, you can text 07860021323 and start the message with 'ASA1' to send anonymously.

Helpful Links

- ASA Enrichment Offer
- ASA Extended-Enrichment Timetable
- ASA Food Menus







