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Celebrating our school and community

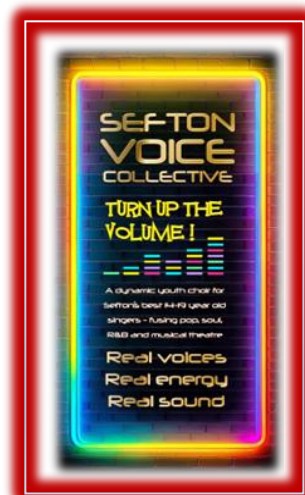
...Sefton Voice Collective



Saturday 21st February marked the exciting launch of our brand-new choir, the Sefton Voice Collective. The choir, currently made up of present and former students from Formby High School, took part in a masterclass led by our very own Mr Cook. During the session, members began learning two brand-new pieces, which they are looking forward to performing at their debut concert next week.

The Sefton Voice Collective aims to bring together young people aged 14–19 from across the borough of Sefton to sing, perform and participate in workshops with industry professionals. The initiative provides a fantastic opportunity for students to develop their vocal skills, gain performance experience and collaborate with other talented young singers in the local area.

If you would like more information about how to join the collective, please email music@formbyhighschool.com.



We would love to see as many supporters as possible at next week's performance, where the Sefton Voice Collective and Voiceworks choir will be performing alongside the Leeds Conservatoire Contemporary Pop Choir at The Rose Theatre. The concert takes place next Tuesday — tickets are available via this link - <https://VoiceFest2026.eventbrite.co.uk>.

...Inter-House Inclusion

Mrs Perry extends a huge "Well Done!" to all students who took part in the inclusive sports week at the end of the last half term for the interhouse competition. Students took part in a variety of sports including darts, curling and seated volleyball. They looked at how to adapt sports so that all can be included. The students worked in their houses to score as many points as possible, and it was great to see everyone getting Involved. The winning houses taking the 60 points were...



Year 7



Year 8



Year 9

...Sixth Form Matters



**DREAM IT.
DO IT.**
at FHS Sixth Form

Our Sixth Form students continue to inspire their younger peers and impress their teachers by embracing a wide range of opportunities and challenges, not only to support their academic learning but to make a positive impact on others and empower them to become future leaders in their field.

Sixth Form students past and present continue to contribute to the work of the Alder Hey Hospital Research team: last year's Y13 students Liv McGeoch and Sophie Mooney (both currently Year 1 Medicine students) have just been cited in the British Journal of Clinical Pharmacology research paper on [Developing medication independence: The experience of UK teenagers.](#)

Current Year 13 students, Clara and Hattie, helped with research on vaping and Niamh and Anna in Year 12 are about to undertake research work on Alder Hey's next project relating to e-scooters. In return for their valuable research findings the students are given the opportunity to undertake work experience at the hospital.

Isla, Hannah, Diego and Niamh in Year 12 entered the Cambridge Biology Challenge and were awarded a Badge of Merit. This badge signifies that the judges were particularly impressed by a specific area of their entry - in particular, their discussion of **Chimeras**. Not only a fantastic achievement and acknowledgement but a great thing to add to their university applications!



Finally, a massive well done to Zoe, Joseph, Joseph, Charlie, Kieran and Peter in Year 12 Economics who have made it through Round 1 of the Economics Olympiad Regional and are now invited to the North West Regional Finals on Wednesday. This takes place at Lancaster University and an opportunity for them to demonstrate their Economic knowledge and meet some inspiring lecturers in the subject.



With our Sixth Form Taster Afternoon fast approaching for Year 11s (18 March), there is no better way to experience where Sixth Form @ FHS can take you than hearing how our current and former students have thrived and excelled in their time with us.

We are well aware that things are approaching 'crunch time' for our Year 13 students and our Year 11s who will soon be sitting their exams before joining Sixth Form - the whole school is behind them, wishing them the success they really deserve.

...Library Corner

We are very excited to have the Scholastic Book Fair running at FHS in advance of World Book Day on Thursday! The Fair has been running from Wednesday this week and will continue right up until Tuesday next week. The Library will be closed at breaktime and lunchtime on these days to facilitate the opening of the Book Fair in the School Hall. The Book Fair will be a cashless shop with card payments and advance purchases accepted only. Students will be able to pay by card or follow the link on the QR code displayed at the fair to make purchases online. No cash can be accepted at the Book Fair. The QR code will take them to this link which can also be used by parents to make advance purchases which students can then come to collect from the Book Fair once payment has been made: [Parent payments - Scholastic Book Fairs](#). A Scholastic Book Fair is a pop-up celebration of reading that puts the very best books directly into your children's hands, with over 200 of the newest and best books from over 60 publishers, including exclusive titles that you won't see in shops or at any other Fairs. We hope to see lots of our students at the Fair!



...Sporting Matters



A big shout out to George (Year 11) who has been offered a scholarship for Blackpool FC, currently playing for their U18s... congratulations George!

We would like to thank Eleanor Cardwell (Manchester Thunder and England netball player) who came to FHS to do a training session with our Year 9, 10 and 11 students. She is coming back in for Year 7 and Y8 in a few weeks time. Mrs Melia said "It was an absolute privilege to have Eleanor coach the girls and offer insight as to what it takes to reach elite level. She was an inspiration to them all!"



...UKMT

Nine of our talented Year 9 and Year 10 students recently took part in the prestigious UKMT Intermediate Mathematics Challenge, a competition well known for its demanding and thought-provoking questions.

Special congratulations go to **Callum** and **Christo** in Year 9, along with **Dan** and **Toby** in Year 10, who each achieved **Silver Certificates**. We are also incredibly proud of **Amy** and **James** in Year 10, who both earned **Gold Certificates**—an outstanding accomplishment. James performed so exceptionally well that he has been invited to take part in the esteemed **Pink Kangaroo** round in March. Well done to all students who were nominated by their teachers to participate. We are very fortunate to have such dedicated and talented mathematicians in our school.



...Pi Day Challenge



This year, our **Year 7 students** will take on the ultimate memory test: reciting as many digits of Pi as they can. It's not as easy as it sounds — after 3.14, those numbers just keep going! Students can start practising now and the **Pi Song** has certainly helped our previous competitors. A little musical revision could make all the difference when it comes to remembering those tricky digits! Our current record holder is Maicie in Year 8, who achieved an incredible 199 digits of Pi — a truly impressive accomplishment. Can anyone

break the 200-digit mark this year? We can't wait to find out! Get practising, get singing, Year 7 students will be tested in class the **week commencing the 16th March** and finalists will then be selected for a head-to-head challenge at the end of that week. Let the countdown to Pi Day begin!

...Attendance Matters

Our attendance figure currently sits at 91.4%, sitting below both national average and our school target. We need your support to continue driving this upward. We are currently exploring ways to better support our students in catching up when absent and may also not authorise prolonged periods of absence without medical evidence. Please ensure any planned absences are accompanied by a Leave of Absence Request form, available from the General Office. Appointments should be made outside of school hours wherever possible; if this is unavoidable, students should attend school before and/or after appointments. Note that appointments will not be authorised without evidence being shared.



On the Horizon...

- ★ Y12 VTQ PPEs – w/c 2 Mar
- ★ Y13 PPEs – w/c 2 Mar
- ★ VoiceFest Choir – 3 Mar
- ★ Y9 Subject Consultation Eve – 5 Mar
- ★ Y12 Career Experience Week – w/c 9 Mar
- ★ All Years Careers Fair – 25 Mar