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Kindness | Teamwork | Resilience

Thursday 18th December, 2025-Autumn Term

A note from the Principal...



As we come to the end of a busy and fun filled term in school, I would like to personally thank all of our families for your continued support.

Over the last term, our pupils have enjoyed many new experiences including the 'One Punch' presentation, College visits, First Aid training, Forest Schools as well as attending our end of year events including our Compass Community Christmas Lunch and our end of year celebration event at the 'Ping Pong Club'.

It has been a pleasure to witness the progress that many of our pupils have made since the start of September. We hope that all members of our 'Compass family' enjoy the holidays and come back in January with enthusiasm and energy for the new term and new year ahead.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the staff for all their hard work this term. Despite all the challenges, they have demonstrated great teamwork and resilience and they continue to make Compass Academy a great place to learn for our pupils. I wish them all a restful and well deserved break.

Staffing

Unfortunately, we must say a sad farewell to Mrs Yeaman, our Reading Lead, who is retiring this Christmas. Mrs Yeaman, has been a dedicated member of the staff team for almost 24 years and has tutored many pupils at the school, supporting them in learning to read. On behalf of the school community, I would like to thank Mrs Yeaman for her loyal, dedicated service and wish her well in her retirement. Mrs Yeaman will be missed by both pupils and staff.

In recent weeks, we have welcomed Mrs Gray to the teaching team along with Mrs Roberts who will be leading Miss Marshall's tutor group. Both team members have been welcomed by parents/carers and pupils alike and have soon become an established part of our Compass family

Diary dates!

Please remember that the school will be closed for the Christmas break from **Friday 19th December, 2025**. The school will reopen for the Spring term on: **Tuesday 6th January, 26.** We look forward to welcoming all pupils/families back for Spring half term 1 and wish you a very special New Year!

Best wishes,

Mrs Claire Horne (Principal)

Thank you!



A huge thank you to those parents/carers and professionals that were able to attend our 'Community Christmas Lunch' event held on Thursday 11th December, 2025. As always, it was lovely to welcome so many parents/carers to the Academy and begin the celebrations for the festive season.

A special thank you to families who continue to support their child to attend school on a daily basis. Special prizes have been offered to the following pupils for achieving over 90% attendance:

Outstanding Attendance Award (100% attendance): Zac, Liam, Kieran

Excellent Attendance Award (96% or above): Connor O, Burhan A, Lucas E, Josh L, Davis D, Chris B, Charlie R, Lucas H, Max T.

Good Attendance Award (Above 90%): Lenny G, Caiden, Demi, Brooklyn, Lovan, Tyler C, Jackson, Dylan.

SEND Support

If you are worried or concerned about your child's rate of progress in school or feel that your child requires additional support, please do not hesitate in contacting a member of the Compass Academy SEND team.



Miss Holly Lockyer
Vice Principal/ SENCo
Tel: 01482 331720

Email: h.lockyer@com.hlt.academy



Mrs Munro
Reading Lead/Deputy SENCo

Tel: 01482 331720

Email: c.munro@com.hlt.academy

Alternatively, for further advice, please visit the Hull SEND Local Offer: https://hullsendlocaloffer.org.uk/

Uniform Matters!



A reminder to all parents/carers that our school uniform is a light blue polo shirt, a navy blue jumper, black trousers/tailored black school shorts and black trainers or shoes. As the winter weather continues, it is advised that your child attends school wearing a coat/jacket. Please ensure that your child is prepared for school with the appropriate uniform items on a daily basis.

Please note that footwear items including: Crocs, flip flops or sliders are not permitted due to health and safety reasons. Should you require any support in uniform matters, please let your child's tutor or the school reception team know.

Contact Information

As we enter into the new year, can I kindly request that all parents/carers please ensure that you inform the school office as soon as possible if you change your mobile number or e-mail address. It is very important that we are able to communicate information to you, especially in the event of an emergency. Likewise, for any pupils that may have medical needs, if there are any updates to your child's health needs or treatment plan, please do not hesitate in making contact at the school to discuss how support can be put in place for your child.

Online Safety!



I am sure that many of our pupils will have asked for new electronic devices from Father Christmas this year, therefore, it is important that as a school, that we remind all parents and carers that keeping children and young people safe online is a collective responsibility and we must ensure that our children are educated to make positive, informed choices when they are using online devices.

Parents/carers are encouraged to remind their child about using technology appropriately, both in and outside of school

and for the need to monitor your child's activity and online usage.

If you would benefit from support in discussing such matters with your child, please contact **Ben Holdstock (DSL)** Tel: 01482 331720. Alternatively, please see the below guidance/advice available on our website: https://www.com.hlt.academy/academy-life/online-safety

Thinking of You...



Though Christmas may be a happy time for many, for others, it may be a difficult time for lots of different reasons. Please know that all of our families continue to be in our thoughts at a time of year that can be difficult for some. As members of our Compass family, you are always in our thoughts.

Careers/Transition Planning

As many parents/carers are aware, **Miss Jackson** is responsible for coordinating our in school Personal Development offer which consists of a number of responsibilities including:

- Coordinating the academy's careers offer.
- Leading on curriculum developments to promote our relationships/sex and health curriculum.
- Promoting opportunities to support your child in preparing for future transitions.

Next half term, Miss Jackson will be working with pupils/families to support in preparing our **year 9 pupils** in their next steps and future transitions during our Year 9 event on: **Thursday 22nd January, 2026 at 1:30pm**. Further information about the event will be shared in the new year.



Working with Specialist Services

As part of our targeted support, the school works alongside a range of specialist agencies to promote children's emotional health and wellbeing.

If required, your child may be referred to one of the following services for additional support:

- Educational Psychology Services
- CAMHS (Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service)
- Counselling Services

Next year, we continue to be supported by **Sarah**, our School Nurse and **Nathan**, a member of the Mental Health in school support team. Both team members are welcome faces across the academy!



CAMHs are a team of experienced clinical professionals in mental health and learning disability who provide a single point of access for emotional and mental health referrals.

Available Monday to Friday: 9am – 5pm (excluding bank holidays)

Tel: 01482 303688

http://camhs.humber.nhs.uk/



Mind provides support, guidance, and hope to individuals and families experiencing poor mental health.

The services are designed to be inclusive, non-judgmental, and confidential, ensuring that people feel safe and supported throughout their mental health journey. If you feel you need advice or support please contact them.

Available Monday - Friday 9pm-5pm

Tel:01482 240200

Text: 07520 633447

info@heymind.org.uk



There may be times when you and your family need additional support. Here in Hull, there is a group of services, collectively known as Early Help.

Early Help can offer support to help make problems easier to understand and quicker to solve.

- North Locality Hub 01482 828 901
- East Locality Hub 01482 708 953
- West Locality Hub 01482 305 770

