Saturday 25th June 2022



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Dear Families

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you all for the lovely messages of condolence and outline the plans in school for this week. All decisions around marking Jeremy Richardson's passing are first and foremost about being respectful of his family's wishes.

Monday 27th June

In agreement with Jeremy's family, who we are in close contact with, on Monday 27th of June it will be the business of learning as usual and this is because they absolutely know it is what Jeremy would have wanted, however we will be running a series of assemblies that morning for all students. We would also like to invite our Year 11, Year 12, and Year 13 students who wish to attend, to an assembly after school on Monday 27th June at 3:30pm. If they wish to attend, we would like them to come in school uniform (if they have it) or professional dress – he would insist on nothing less. Students returning for this should arrive at school after 3:15pm and our usual high standards are expected.

Professional support will be available in school for staff and students; any student that is particularly affected by this news should contact the school on the following email office@beckfootthornton.org and arrangements can be made.

Remembrance

If you would like to add to our Book of Condolence, which will be passed to Jeremy's family and shared with colleagues, please click the link below:

Book of Condolence

If you have already contacted school via our Facebook page, email to the office@ mailbox, or MyEd, we will add those messages to the book for you. For us to collate all messages to use at a future memorial, please could any contributions to the book be added by 9am on Monday 11th July 2022. In addition, in lieu of flowers being sent to school, we would ask that donations are made to Barnardo's via the link below please:

<u>Tribute to Jeremy Richardson</u>

We will be in touch about further memorial plans, including a memorial event for students, soon. Our end of Year 11 Prom at the Mercure Bankfield Hotel on Friday 1st July will continue as planned, and a letter will be sent out later in the week outlining the details.

Jeremy has left us with a very precious legacy; we will continue to do whatever it takes to lead this school to where it deserves to be, delivering the absolute best outcomes for the young people and community that we serve.

Yours sincerely

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