AT A GLANCE

CARR MANOR
COMMUNITY SCHOOL

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PONG HOUSE COMPETITION

Pupils competed in a hotly contested session of pong in the Primary Phase, supported by our House Captain team!

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we are child friendly Leeds





Children from all year groups stepped up to try win points for their House.

With the help of our Vice Captains, the event was a great success and had an incredibly close set of results!

1ST	TRUEMAN	48 pts
JOINT 2ND	BREMNER	All with 45 points!
	ROBINSON	
	TOMLINSON	

In the end, TRUEMAN narrowly took victory.

Well done everyone that took part!

"For success, attitude is equally as important as ability."

Walter Scott

THE NOTICE BOARD

DID YOU KNOW... AUSTRALIA IS WIDER THAN THE MOON.

WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOU WOKE UP TODAY AND WERE 10 FEET TALL?

IMPORTANT DATES

NOVEMBER

Monday 16th
- MFL mock speaking exams begin

Tuesday 17th
- Year 11 trip to the Thackray Museum of Medicine
- Animal care trip to CATCH

Wednesday 18th
- Reception Grandparents' Day
- KS3 Rethink Food Workshop
- Year 10 Family Consultation Evening

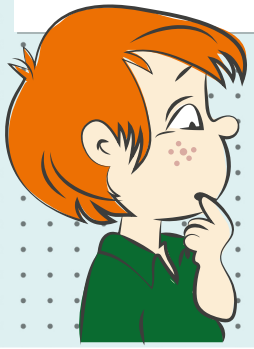
Thursday 19th
- Year 7 and Year 11 photos
- Year 2 trip to Pontefract Castle

Friday 20th
- Year 10 construction trip to Leeds College of Building
- Animal care trip to CATCH
- House Dodgeball Competition

Monday 23rd
- Arts Council meeting in the Community Hub

Tuesday 24th
Animal care trip to CATCH
- Year 11 mock results
- Class of 2026 reunion

Friday 27th
- INSET day (school closed to all pupils)



Thank you to those that have asked to be nominated or who were nominated by a coach.

ARTS COUNCIL CARR MANOR

The first meeting of the academic year will be on Monday 23rd November at lunchtime in the community Hub.

Please meet Mrs Keohane-Jaszczolt at the primary gate at 12.40pm.

YEAR 10 FAMILY CONSULTATION EVENING

WEDNESDAY
18TH NOVEMBER
3.30-7.00PM

- Meet your subject teachers to discuss your current progress
- Receive bespoke targets from your subjects to help you progress further
- Receive information about Work Experience this year
- Find out when key assessments take place
- Gain an insight into the post-16 college application process

CARR MANOR
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CHRISTMAS SHOWCASE



TUESDAY 15TH DECEMBER 2026

6.00PM
SHOW FROM 6.30-8.00PM

TICKETS £2
FROM SCHOOL RECEPTION

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE ABBEY DASH WATER STATION!

SUNDAY 29TH NOVEMBER

Carr Manor Community School is looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help run a water station at this year's Abbey Dash.

This is a fantastic opportunity to support one of Leeds' biggest running events, help local runners achieve their goals, and represent our school within the wider community.

- Staff and pupils can volunteer
- Hand out water to runners
- Encourage participants along the route
- Work as part of a friendly team
- Support a major Leeds community event
- Gain valuable volunteering experience
- Meet new people and make a difference
- Have fun while helping thousands of runners
- Bringing plenty of energy and enthusiasm!

If you would like to volunteer, please receive a letter for Mr Joyce for more information.

HOUSE CHARITIES

We welcomed representatives from two of our House charities for assemblies last week, with Leeds North & West Foodbank (Bremner) and Leeds Children's Hospital (Trueman) joining us to tell us more about the work they do and how we can support them.

The assemblies were delivered alongside our House Captaincy team, who then had a debrief with the charities afterwards to think about ways our school can raise money and awareness for these excellent causes.







As well as the opportunity to volunteer at the Abbey Dash, there are some events taking place for each of our four House Charities soon which you can also get involved in.

This is a great way to help out in your community, meet new people, have a new experience and even have something to put on your CV.

HOUSE CHARITY DIARY

Leeds North & West Food Bank

Donate Food

Over 90% of the food distributed by foodbanks is donated by the public.
If you can, local supermarkets such as the Waitrose in Meanwood and the Tesco on Roundhay Road have baskets by the checkout where you can donate non perishable foods. For November, they are looking in particular for

- Tinned Fish
- Tinned Meat
- Vegetarian/ Vegan meals
- Rice
- Soup

St Gemma's Hospice

Pick a Christmas tree

Choose a Nordmann Fir at the hospice, 329 Harrogate Road, Moortown. No booking needed. Every tree purchase helps to fund local care.

St George's Crypt

Christmas Choir

The Spirit of Christmas Leeds Male Voice Choir brings carols and festive favourites to Holy Trinity Church, Boar Lane.
Performances at 3.00pm and 6.00pm. Under 18s go free. Book a place through their website and enjoy some Christmas music together.

Leeds' Children's Hospital

Leeds Santa Dash

Ernie & Leeds Hospitals Charity are inviting you and your family to join the Leeds Santa Dash – a fabulously festive 5km fun run to raise vital funds for patients spending Christmas in hospital. Sunday 6th December 2026.

YEAR 3 RECENT READING





Year 3 recently began reading their new quality text in English.

Stone Age Boy is a brilliant fiction text which has captivated the children so far!

Miss Sturges

LITERACY COMPETITION REDESIGN A FAMOUS BOOK COVER



Well done and thank you to all of the pupils who submitted entries for the recent House Literacy Competition.

Pupils were asked to redesign a famous book cover using their imagination to bring their favourite stories to life.

Congratulations to **LL** who won the competition with a fantastic illustration for the book ***Coraline***.

Miss Cooper

YEAR 1

TRIP TO YORKSHIRE WILDLIFE PARK



Year 1 had a fantastic day at Yorkshire Wildlife Park! They enjoyed seeing so many different animals and learning more about where they live and what makes them special.

As part of their science topic, they have been learning how to classify animals into different groups, and the trip gave them a wonderful opportunity to spot examples of mammals, birds, reptiles and more.

They had lots of fun exploring, discovering and becoming animal classification experts!

Miss Cook

YEAR 9

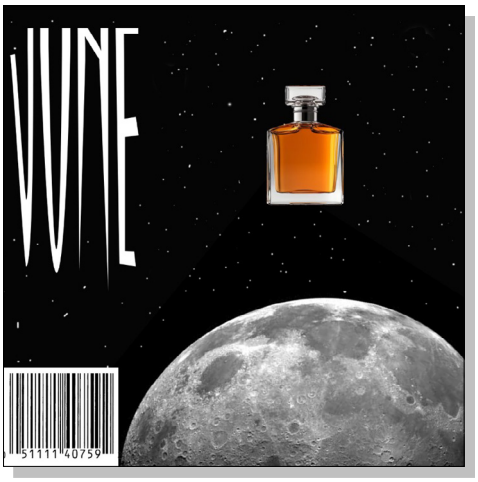
CREATIVE iMEDIA SHOWCASE

Year 9 have demonstrated their creativity and entrepreneurial flair by developing their own original products and designing eye-catching advertisements to promote them!

Pupils researched target audiences and transformed their initial ideas into detailed pencil drafts before bringing their concepts to life using Photoshop and Fireworks. Throughout the project, they demonstrated an excellent understanding of copyright legislation, ensuring their designs respect the importance of originality and intellectual property. The standard of work has been fantastic, with pupils showing real imagination, technical skill and pride in their creations. Here are four brilliant examples!

Mr Mahmood

JC



RA



SR



AK



FC26 TOURNAMENT BEGINS

The FC26 tournament kicked off recently, seeing teams of pupils in the Secondary Phase demonstrating their gaming skills.

The tournament is a 2v2 format, meaning pupils have had to adapt their playing styles to work together as a team. It was great to see so many pupils cheering and supporting throughout the session.

Round 2 continues today to decide the last of the semi-finalists, with the first semi-final taking place on Wednesday in the Theatre at lunchtime. Come along and support your House!

Mr Wignall





HOW HAVE DISASTERS IMPACTED THE WORLD?

INSPIRATION DAY

YEAR 2





What an exciting day Year 2 had on Monday 9th November!

To start their new history Big Learning Question ***'How have disasters impacted the world?'***, Year 2 held an inspiration day all about The Titanic and The Great Fire of London.



The day started with the children receiving their ticket to board The Titanic! If they were in first, second or third class their living quarters and service was different. They learnt all about the classes on board, what the ship was like and the timeline of events. They couldn't believe there were only 20 lifeboats! The children then created some artwork inspired by the ship which is now proudly displayed in the Year 2 classrooms.

In the afternoon, they learnt all about The Great Fire of London before creating their very own Pudding Lane which was set alight! To finish the day, the children compared London in 1666 to the present day.

Miss Wiles

LIEDER SESSION

Pupils involved in the Lieder project had another workshop in the Community Hub in preparation for their performance at Yeadon Town Hall.

The pupils all showed fantastic enthusiasm and creativity, learning new performance techniques.

Well done!

Mr Lampard



YEAR 10

BTEC DANCERS

The Year 10 BTEC dancers took part in a street dance workshop with Jo Parry.

The pupils showed excellent character for learning and really impressed Jo with their effort and enthusiasm.

Well done Year 10!

Miss Keohane-Jaszczolt



HISTORY CLUB

In History Club this term pupils have chosen different empires to research and create presentations about.





There have been some fantastic presentations so far, including a brilliant PowerPoint on the Qing dynasty.

Last week, one of the groups recreated an Ancient Roman wedding for their presentation. They researched the traditions, put together outfits, baked and brought in cake, and explained the significance of each part of the ceremony as they acted it out.

The pupils have all displayed excellent teamwork in their groups and have done a brilliant job researching their chosen empires and learnt lots from each other.

Well done History Club!

Miss Ellis

YEAR 3

MEANWOOD VALLEY URBAN FARM VISIT





Year 3 visited Meanwood Valley Farm to enhance their learning on rock and soils and the Stone Age.

They learnt lots about the different types of rocks and also became Stone Age people!

They made fire, hunted for their own food, became expert archers and even made their own homes!

What a fabulous day!

Mrs Sturges

REFRESH

In REFRESH last week we built a shelter in Forest School and made a fire, where we toasted marshmallows together.

The group worked well as a team and showed resilience in the cold weather.

Miss Jenkins



RECEPTION LEARN ABOUT DIWALI

As part of our learning about Diwali, the children made their own diva lanterns using clay.







We talked about why diva lamps are used during the Festival of Lights and what they represent. The children enjoyed shaping, moulding and decorating their clay, exploring the material and creating their own designs.

Through this activity, they developed their fine motor skills, creativity and understanding of Diwali.

Mrs Haskins

LITERACY CORNER

DEBATE IT!

SPEAK LISTEN

Should smartphones only be available for people over the age of 16?

Talk to your partner to discuss your thoughts then feedback to your circle.

Sentence Stems

- I think that… because…
- In my opinion, …
- I agree/disagree because…



VOCABULARY VAULT

Reconvene (verb)

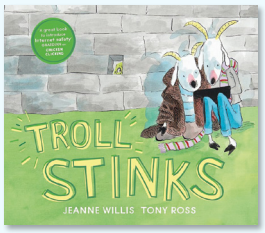
Meaning:
To come back to something or someone.

In a sentence:

"We will reconvene about this next week."

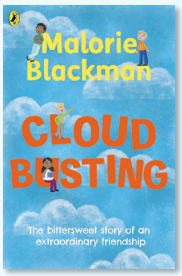
CURIOSITY CORNER

KS1



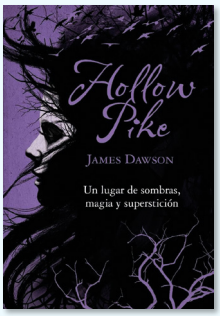
Troll Stinks
by Jeanne Willis

KS2



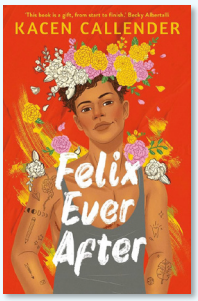
Cloud Busting
by Malorie Blackman

KS3



Hollow Pike
by James Dawson

KS4



Felix Ever After
by Kacen Callender

ADVENTURES IN BOOKLAND WITH...

MALAMANDER BY THOMAS TAYLOR



Malamander is an exciting mystery set in the unusual seaside town of Eerie-on-Sea. Herbert Lemon works at the Grand Nautilus Hotel, where he meets Violet Parma, a girl searching for clues about a puzzling disappearance. Together, they investigate the legend of the mysterious Malamander, a strange sea creature said to appear during winter.



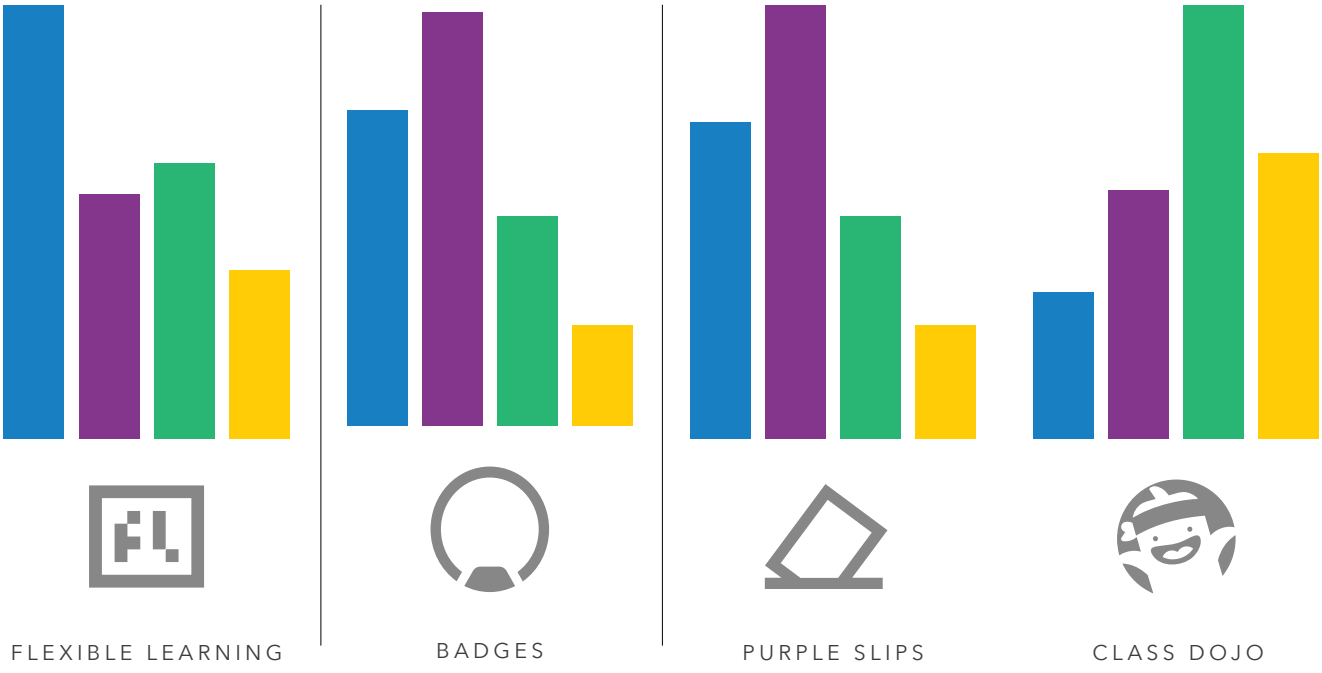
I enjoyed "Malamander" because it has a great mix of mystery, adventure and humour. I loved the creepy seaside setting and the unusual characters, and the mystery kept me guessing about what would happen next. There are lots of surprises along the way, which made me want to keep reading.

I would recommend this book for **ages 9-13** (Upper Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 3), especially for anyone who enjoys mysteries, adventures and a little bit of fantasy. Malamander is also the first book in a series, so if you enjoy it, there are more mysteries and adventures in Eerie-on-Sea to discover.

HOUSE POINTS

TOTAL POINTS SO FAR THIS YEAR

1ST	BREMNER	3412
2ND	TRUEMAN	3386
3RD	ROBINSON	3329
4TH	TOMLINSON	3255



LAST WEEKS' HOUSE POINTS



ATTENDANCE

HALF-TERM HOUSE ATTENDANCE

FIRST	SECOND	THIRD	FOURTH
BREMNER	TOMLINSON	TRUEMAN	ROBINSON

ATTENDANCE AWARDS

100% ATTENDANCE



BA

100% ATTENDANCE



AM

100% ATTENDANCE



AW

100% ATTENDANCE



AX

PRIMARY PHASE

STARS OF THE WEEK

RECEPTION



ZS

YEAR 1



SM

YEAR 1



EA

YEAR 2



EC

YEAR 2



PR

YEAR 3

ALL OF YEAR 3

FOR BEING FANTASTIC ON THE TRIP TO MEANWOOD VALLEY FARM

YEAR 4



AL

YEAR 4



AL

YEAR 5



KR

YEAR 5



KD-F

YEAR 6



H-LC

CARR MANOR AWARDS

DIGITAL SUPERSTAR



DR

NOMINATED BY MR MAHMOOD

PRIMARY DIGITAL SUPERSTAR



IN

NOMINATED BY MR MAHMOOD

MARVELLOUS MATHEMATICIAN



AC

NOMINATED BY MISS KAUKE

SPECTACULAR SCIENTIST



RM-P

NOMINATED BY MISS HARRISON

EXCELLENCE IN ENGLISH



EE

NOMINATED BY MR THOMPSON

HUMANITIES HERO



EH

NOMINATED BY MR BOWMAN

SPANISH LINGUIST



MI

NOMINATED BY MR SOUZA-CHAMBERS

FRENCH LINGUIST

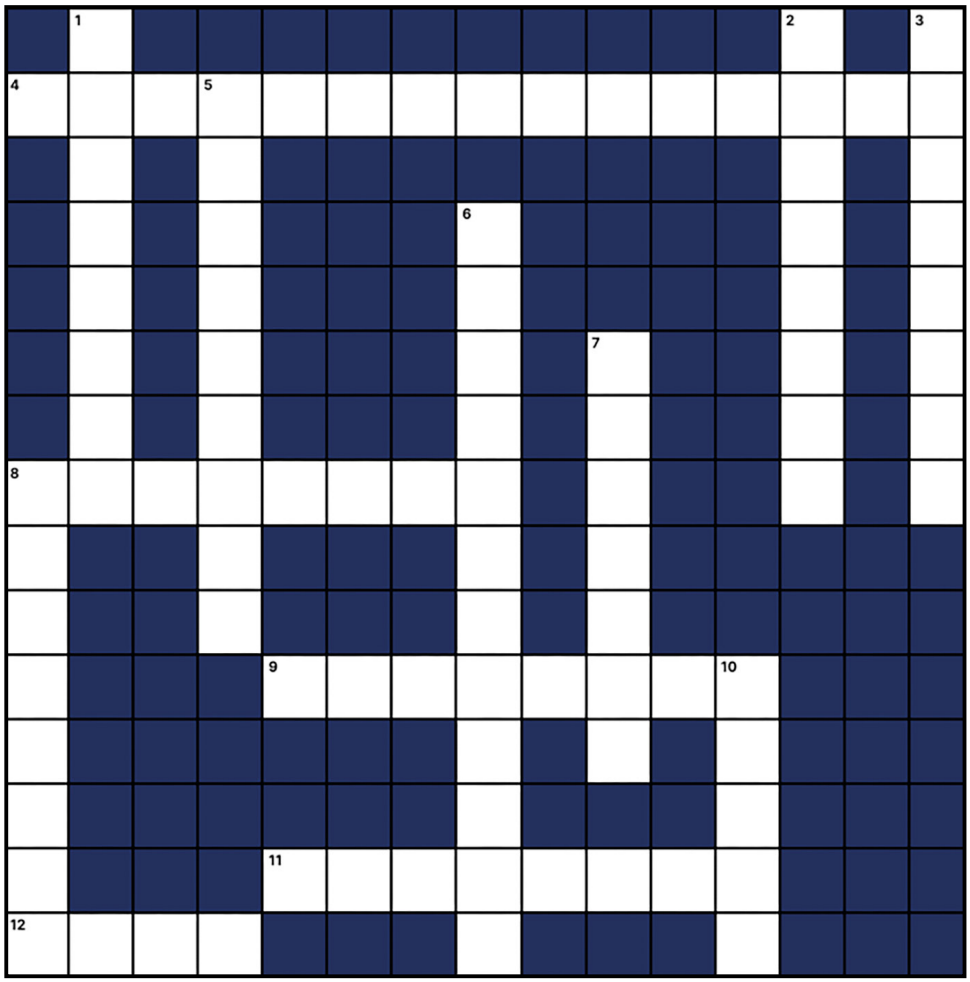


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NOMINATED BY MISS CONSTANTIN

COACHING ACTIVITY

Blue Planet • Quiz



ACROSS

4 Someone who helps to protect the natural environment - including those helping the turtle hatchlings reach the sea.

8 The name for tiny drifting plants and animals that play a huge role in maintaining a healthy ocean.

9 A tasty meal for a pair of hungry harlequin shrimp. These creatures can even regrow lost limbs!

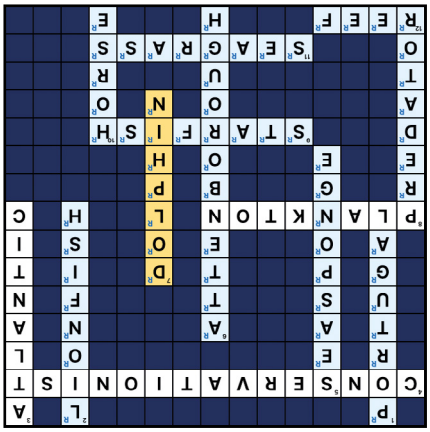
11 An underwater plant whose tropical meadows produce enough oxygen for 1.5 billion people every day!

12 Made up of millions of tiny coral polyps, these colourful habitats are formed in hotspots of abundant sunlight and clear water.

DOWN

1 Country in Europe once home to the highest density of seahorses on Earth.

2 A nocturnal, venomous sea creature found in the tropical waters of Indonesia.



3 The second largest of the world's oceans.

5 These animals are used as traps to help dolphins hunt fish.

6 Sir David _____ : Naturalist, writer, broadcaster and legendary narrator of Blue Planet.

7 In the series, we see pods of the bottlenose and rough-toothed species of this ocean mammal.

8 Something that hunts, kills and consumes another creature or organism.

10 Sea _____ : A long-snouted variety is seen on the Mediterranean coast.

NEWS FLASH

Diwali is the five-day Festival of Lights, celebrated by millions of Hindus, Sikhs & Jains across the world.

Source: www.bbc.co.uk

Diwali is a festival of new beginnings and the triumph of good over evil and light over darkness, and for some also coincides with harvest and new year celebrations.

The festival always falls some time between October and November, but the exact date varies each year as the Hindu calendar is based on the Moon.

The word Diwali comes from the Sanskrit word deepavali, meaning "rows of lighted lamps".

Houses, shops and public places are decorated with small oil lamps called diyas. People also enjoy fireworks and sweets too, so it's really popular with children.

Diwali is celebrated by Hindus, Sikhs and Jains, and each religion marks different historical events and stories.

Hindus celebrate the return of deities Rama and Sita to Ayodhya after their 14-year exile. They also celebrate the day Mother Goddess Durga destroyed a demon called Mahisha.

Sikhs particularly celebrate the release from prison of the sixth guru Hargobind Singh in 1619. But Sikhs celebrated the festival before this date.

One of the ways people celebrate Diwali is by decorating their homes with colourful rangoli designs, lighting diyas or displaying lights around the house.

Many people clean their homes, and buy gold or silver items for luck and good fortune.



People also celebrate by lighting fireworks or sparklers.



Many people visit friends and family to exchange gifts, have parties and share delicious food and sweets like Jalebi, Kaju katli, Gulab jamun and Burfi.

Diwali is also a time for prayers and people also leave offerings to gods and goddesses - like Lakshmi the Hindu goddess of wealth - for good luck.

Questions...

- Summarise the key facts about Diwali we learn from the text.

CARR MANOR TV

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WOULD YOU LIKE TO HOST CMTV?

CREW CHARACTERISTICS BADGE NOMINATIONS

NOMINATE

CLICK HERE ON YOUR iPAD TO ACCESS THE CREW CHARACTERISTICS ONLINE FORM.

OR FILL OUT THE PAPER FORM BELOW AND HAND IT TO YOUR COACH.

CREW CHARACTERISTICS BADGE NOMINATIONS **PAPER SLIP**



Your full name: .....

Year group nominated (if applicable): .....

Full name of staff/pupil nominated:

.....

Crew Characteristics Badge you would like to nominate the person for (please tick):

- ☐ Coach
- ☐ Director
- ☐ Inspiration
- ☐ Leader
- ☐ Guide
- ☐ Manager
- ☐ Teacher
- ☐ Role Model

Reason for nominating this person:

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