# St John's Catholic Specialist School

# 6th FORM COLLEGE ROUNDUP

2021-22 has been an excellent year for all our students.

The Sixth Form staff at college thought you might like to hear what they have all been doing.

## **Engineering**

Robert has completed a Level 3 Extended Certificate after 2 years, including an optional further Maths unit. He has continuously worked hard throughout the 2 years, and since being non residential, he has independently travelled to York College daily. He has shown initiative by confidently asking the tutors for support with any assignments. In the last assignment, he was the only one on the course who achieved a distinction! He also has focused on what he would like to do in the future by being one of the first students in his group to apply for University and apprenticeships.





#### Joinery

Alex has completed his C&G level 2 in site joinery and completed all of his tasks with care and precision, particularly excelling in bench joinery. His approach to all aspects of the course has been enthusiastic and thorough and has received high praise from his tutors.

Whilst studying at college, Alex has also passed his theory and practical driving tests and is now enjoying his new found independence.

Alex has secured a full-time job with Sheen Joinery, a company in Wakefield that specialise in bespoke products.

Alex will be trained up on how to operate some of their computer controlled machines.

# **Painting and Decorating**

Mqhele passed his Level 1 course in painting and decorating and gained a number of merits and a distinction. He has been a very well liked and respected member of the painting and decorating workshop and has happily worked alongside any member of the group. He approached each new task with determination and positivity and took great care with his work and has developed many skills which will be useful for life. Mqhele's commitment to GCSE Maths and English and the extra support sessions has been exemplary. Mqhele will leave St John's this summer to finally pursue his passion for acting and will begin a Level 1 Performing Arts course at Nottingham College, City Hub. Well done Mqhele! We can't wait to see what happens next!



# **Practical Countryside skills**

This year Julian has continued at Askham Bryan College working on a Practical Countryside Skills Entry 3.5 (Stepping Stone to Level 1). This course provides the skills necessary to work within the land-based industry. The course covered animals, crops, and land management. He learnt the theory behind many of the practical skills that are taught and practiced during the course. Julian is a popular member of the group and well liked for his enthusiasm and sense of humour. Julian retook his maths GCSE to see if he could improve on his grade 4. Julian plans to move to a local college where he will start a level 2 Joinery course.

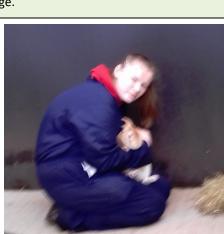
## Level 2 Game Keeping

Macauley started a Level 2 Game Keeping Course this year. He really enjoyed the course and particularly the practical side where he often stood out amongst his peers. Mac has proved to be a most pleasant and helpful young man in college and at school. Mac plans to stay at Askham Bryan next academic year and study Level 2 Arboriculture. All these qualifications will ensure he finds a career in the growing Agriculture sector.











#### Land based Studies

Kacey and Haider attended Askham Bryan College one day a week this year. They joined a Horticultural/Land based course and gained experience in animal care looking after animals and learning how to keep their habitats clean and safe. Kacey was successful on a recent interview at York College and will be starting an Entry 3/level 1 Hospitality course in September. Haider will be experiencing the Pathways course at York College.

### **Animal Care**

Bradley enrolled on an Animal Care course. This course is helping him to build the skills needed to care for a variety of animals. This included learning about animal behavior, health, biology and welfare. It was a very much a hands-on course backed up with theory lessons.

Bradley also achieved a grade 4 in his Maths re-sit.

Bradley will progress onto a level 2 animal care course at Askham Bryan College in September. This may lead to a Level 3 Course or an apprenticeship in the animal care sector.



#### **Child Care**

Scarlet has had a fantastic first year at York College and has settled into college life very successfully and made some lovely new friends.

Her confidence and self-esteem have increased significantly, and she has been happy to contribute to class discussions and group work. As part of her Employer Set Project, Scarlet made presentations of her work to both peers and tutors and received excellent feedback on her content and delivery.

Scarlet has thoroughly enjoyed her work placement at Brooke Babes in Boston Spa and has developed positive relationships with her colleagues.

Scarlet is now looking forward to the next part of this enjoyable course and gaining her T-Level qualification.



George was new to St John's and York College. It took him no time to settle in

and has made real contributions in care.

He has had a great first year at York

College completing 3 AS levels in

Chemistry, Biology and Computer

Sscience. George is very ambitious and

realises that next academic year he will

have to work even harder if he wants to

achieve his dreams of a top University

place. George takes his health very seriously and has developed his skills in

weight lifting, swimming and skating.

**AS Levels** 

## **Pathways**

Finn has completed a year in pathways at York college. He is popular within his group and has developed some positive peer relationships.

Over the year he has matured and made good progress with his independence, This was very evident on his work placement at Tadcaster community swimming loog.



# **Bricklaying**

Tyler has completed a level 2 bricklaying course and is now a competent bricklayer. He has worked hard on his course producing brickwork to a good standard. Tyler is hoping to find an apprenticeship in the building industry and continue with this career. Throughout his many years with St Johns we have seen Tyler grow into a mature, independent young man and we are sure

he will do well wherever life takes him.



# **Driving Tests & Theory**

Alex has passed his driving theory and test this year, he is now driving his own car, to and from home

Tyler has passed his theory test and is now working towards his driving test.





















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