



Friday 22nd November 2013

Mon	25 th Nov	Year 13 Parents' Evening
Tues	26 th Nov	Year 11 Examinations commence (Art only)
Wed	27 th Nov	Year 11 Examinations (Art only)
Thur	28 th Nov	Year 11 Examinations
Fri	29 th Nov	Year 11 Examinations

STUDENT LADDER

We have recently been made aware of a new information website for students called Student Ladder (www.studentladder.co.uk)

Student Ladder is one of the most popular sites for 15-18 year old students. You will find:

- Work experience opportunities across most industry sectors
- Hospitals that provide work experience for would be medical students
- Paid Gap Year placements
- Over 70 school leaver programmes for bright 18 year olds who may decide not to go to university
- Careers advice - an explanation of over 60 different roles as well as the best approach for some of the most popular career choices
- Application advice including personal statements and interviews
- Advice about A level and degree choices
- Advice about applying to US universities
- Companies offering study/work and sponsorship options

There is no cost and no need to register.

In addition, the site also provides information on 1000's of internships, placements and graduate jobs for 1st, 2nd, penultimate and final year university students and graduates

BEBRAS COMPETITION

Well done to all of the students who took part in the International Computation Thinking Challenge last week. Overall the students did extremely well with over 175 of our students gaining distinction scores.

Certificates will be distributed within a few weeks but special congratulations go to Tyler Cook (7BW), Adam Spence (7HT), Duncan McDonald and Ben Brogan (Year 10) and Joe Tasker and Adam Jones (Year 13) who all got best in school in their respective competitions.

For the Year 8's and 9's, best in school went to Ben White in 9BX who was one of 18 pupils in the country who got full marks (21,000 pupils took part nationally).

NEW FAMILY & ADULT LEARNING CLASSES STARTING IN JANUARY

Have you ever thought of taking up a new hobby or improving your knowledge of an existing skill! Then why not try one of our new leisure evening courses for families and adults. New 10 week courses start in January for Photography, Dressmaking, Family Cooking and Cake Baking. Learn in a relaxed and sociable environment with our enthusiastic and knowledgeable tutors. Please contact the community office for further details.

Email: community@calday.wirral.sch.uk or T:0151 625 2727 extension 289



EXAMINATION CERTIFICATES

Summer 2013 GCSE Certificates for students now in Lower Sixth have been issued this week.

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

This year we will again be supporting Helplink, a local charity run by volunteers in Irby by making up Christmas hampers which will be distributed to vulnerable people in the local area. Each form has been asked to supply a hamper and any donations can be brought into school up until 3rd December (hampers will leave the school site on 5th December).

MISSION CHRISTMAS

This year several Year 7 forms have decided that instead of sending cards to each other they will donate the money to Mission Christmas. We will then use the money to buy toys to donate to the appeal. The charity which is organised by Radio City aims to make sure that no children in the North West wake up without presents on Christmas Day.

If any other pupils would like to make a donation or send in any toys (new and unwrapped) they can be dropped into reception or into D35 to Mrs Mounsey.

SCHOOL COLOURS TIES – SPORTS

At Calday we understand the importance of honouring those individuals who represent the school in extra-curricular areas. With this in mind, we are relaunching the school colours system for sports representation. From this academic year forward, the following school honours will be awarded to students who meet the criteria given:-

School Honours: Being a fully committed member of a school team/representing the school on an individual basis

Half Colours: Representing a sport at County level and above

Full Colours: National Representation

Forms can be collected from outside of the community office and must be signed off by an appropriate coach/leader for the sport in which they participate.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Please see the flyer at the end of the newsletter for further details on:

- Airbus apprenticeships Information Event on Saturday 30th November

SCHOOL FUNDRAISING FAMILY PORTRAIT OFFER

Details of the family portrait offer have now been sent home with students. If you would like to take advantage of this offer please return your completed form to the school along with your donation of £25 in an envelope marked 'Family Portrait Offer'. Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

CALDAY 1636 – HERITAGE PROJECT

Please see letter at the end of the newsletter for further details.

CALDAY GRANGE SWIMMING POOL TRUST NEWSLETTER

Please take an opportunity to read the latest newsletter from the Calday Grange Swimming Pool Trust which is available in the newsletter section on our school website.



PARENT VIEW

Parent View provides parents with the opportunity to tell Ofsted what they think about their child's school. Parent View asks for your opinion on 12 aspects of your child's school, from the quality of teaching, to dealing with bullying and poor behaviour. By sharing your views you will be assisting the school to improve and you will also be able to see comments from other parents.

Please take the opportunity to visit Parent View at www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk

SPANISH HOMEWORK CLUB

Need a quiet place to study where there is some support from a teacher if you need it? Homework club will take place in H3/H1 every Tuesday after school from 3.45-4.30. KS3-KS5 welcome.

EXTRA HELP WITH SPANISH/INDEPENDENT STUDY

The following websites may be useful:

KS3

www.quia.com/pages/ir7.html

www.quia.com/pages/ir8.html

www.duolingo.com

www.linguascope.com (see your teacher for passwords)

KS4

www.quia.com/pages/irgcserevision.html

www.vocabexpress.com) (year 9-11 students have free access/see your teacher for username/password)

www.languagesonline.org.uk



CALDAY 1636 - Heritage Project

For the last few months, the school has been researching the possibility of a large heritage based project. Our school has a history dating back to 1636 and we would like to celebrate and share our story. Some activities will be an archaeological dig and building study, creating an archive, recording oral reminiscences, a heritage web-site and a film/performance documenting the project and peppered with historical facts. We are hoping to gain support from The Heritage Lottery Fund to ensure this project is a success.

At this stage, we simply wish to gain interest for potential volunteers and participants. We would ask if you could please complete the following questionnaire and return to the school by email at christine.weston@calday.wirral.sch.uk or by handing in a paper version to the school reception or via a pupil, for the attention of Miss Weston.

1. Do you know much about the history of Calday Grange Grammar School and the surrounding area and if not, would you be interested in learning more either by volunteering or participating in activities and/or events?
2. Do you have any friends, family or associates who would like to be involved in such a heritage project? Maybe they have a story or memory to share?
3. If you are a former pupil or staff member, would you be interested in meeting with others, and with current pupils, to share your memories and experiences?
4. Is there anything specifically that you would like included within the project if possible?
5. Do you have any items, e.g. photographs / books / uniform, connected to Calday that you would be willing to contribute on a temporary or permanent basis to an exhibition at the school?

If you agree, please submit your contact details which will be held until further notice. This information will purely be used to request involvement or notify you of activities nearer the time.

Thank you

The Calday History Group (Year 8 and 9)

Name	
D.O.B	
Address	
E-mail	
Connection to CGGS	
Years at School (if pupil or staff)	

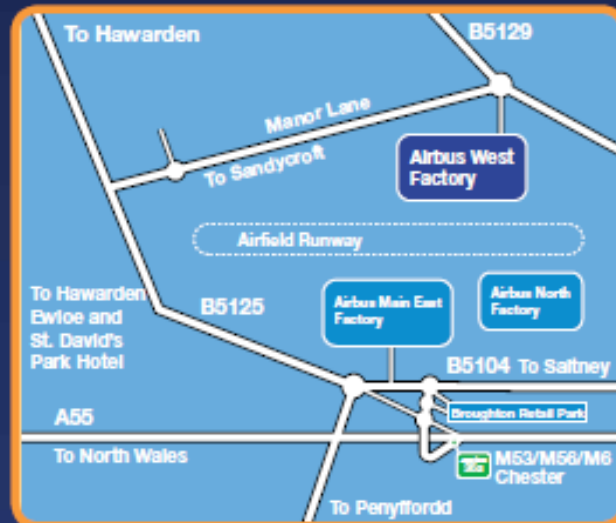


AIRBUS APPRENTICESHIPS INFORMATION EVENT

Did you know that you could become an Airbus Apprentice and get paid while you go to university to do a degree?

Date: Saturday 30th November 2013, between 1.30pm and 4.00pm

Location: West Factory, Manor Lane, Broughton, Flintshire CH5 3PP (sat nav only) (where the A380 Wings are made).



Airbus invites students, parents and anyone interested in a career in Engineering to join us at our Information Event. You can find out about our Craft and Higher Supply Chain Logistics Apprenticeships, as well as our unique 'Undergraduate Apprenticeship' - a sponsored degree that means you can attain a B.Eng in Aerospace Engineering (Manufacturing) whilst gaining valuable industry based work at the same time.

At the event you will have the chance to speak to representatives from Airbus, our partnership education institutions and other relevant organisations.

There is no need to book a place; we will be pleased to meet you on the day.

You can find further details about our apprenticeship opportunities, as well as submit an on-line application, at www.airbus.com/work

Please note that the closing dates for applications are 14th February 2014 for Craft and 31st March 2014 for the Higher and 'Undergraduate' Apprenticeships.

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