



Calday Grange Grammar School Parents' Newsletter

Friday 18th November 2016

Mon	21 st November	DofE Basic Training
Tues	22 nd November	DofE Basic Training
Weds	23 rd November	Year 13 Geography/Art visit to London
Thurs	24 th November	Sixth Form Information Fair Year 13 Geography/Art visit to London
Fri	25 th November	Year 13 Geography/Art visit to London

CASHLESS CATERING GOES LIVE ON MONDAY!

We have had a trial cashless till running in the dining hall this week which has gone extremely well!

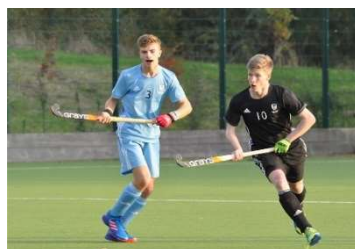
This weekend, please ensure that you have topped up your child's dinner money account in ParentPay in readiness for cashless going live on Monday.

If there are any issues around your child's ParentPay dinner money balance and you cannot resolve it online, get in touch with us via parentpay@calday.co.uk. Please don't worry, we will still be able to feed your child on Monday!

STUDENT SUCCESS



Congratulations to Owen Johnson who recently achieved his private pilot's licence (PPL). He has completed this as part of an RAF Scholarship along with some training at Liverpool John Lennon Airport. He achieved his licence after a minimum of just 45 training hours. This licence will now hopefully assist Owen to achieve a place on his chosen degree course of professional private practice. His next challenge is to pass his driving test!



We would also like to congratulate Tom Russell who has been selected for the U18 England Hockey Training Squad. This is a great achievement as he has done this a year early.

During the last season Tom also represented England U16's travelling all round Europe. Tom also now plays for Brooklands Hockey Club First Team in the National League.



Sir Bert Massie the Patron of the Charity Heswall Disabled Children's Holiday Fund last week attended the Year 10 Assembly to thank the School for their fundraising efforts in raising over £4500 for the charity. This was raised by two groups, the Rugby Section and the Sports Leaders. The Sports Leaders raised the money as part of their challenge in the summer term to cycle 1493 miles.

Sir Bert spoke to the Assembly about his career and then presented Certificates to a number of Sports Leaders who had achieved their Level 2 Qualification.

SIXTH FORM INFORMATION FAIR

DON'T FORGET OUR SIXTH FORM INFORMATION FAIR TAKING PLACE NEXT WEEK (THURSDAY 24th NOVEMBER) FROM 6.00 PM TO 8.00 PM. ALL CURRENT YEAR 11 STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS ARE WARMLY INVITED TO ATTEND.

EXTERNAL EXAMINATION INFORMATION

Next week year 11, 12 and 13 students will receive a '**Public Examinations Handbook 2016/17**', in hard copy via form tutors. This **yellow booklet** contains key information about the rules, regulations and organisation of examinations and will answer any queries you may have about the external examinations in the summer and what to expect, so please read this through with your son/daughter when you get it.

A copy is also available on the school website alongside the School Examinations and Assessment Policy <http://www.calday.co.uk/page/?title=Examination+Policies&pid=228>

INTERNAL EXAMINATIONS

Year 11 students will have an internal examinations briefing on Monday.

Timetables for the Year 12 & 13 internal examinations in January are also now available on the school website <http://www.calday.co.uk/page/default.asp?pid=39>

VACANCIES

We currently have the vacancies listed below. Full details can be found on the school website.

- Teacher of Chemistry (required December 2016)
- Teacher of Geography (required September 2017)
- Lunchtime Supervisors (required as soon as possible)
- Administration Apprentice (required as soon as possible)

LEARNING RESOURCE CENTRE NEWS

Did you know that the LRC has its own mini webpage? It has news and information about services we offer and you have the capability of searching the library catalogue for yourselves?

It is a very helpful page where you can find out about what books are available or if they are out on loan. If a book is out on loan you can also see what day the book is due back in, so you don't have to spend a long time looking on the shelves for a book that isn't available.

To visit the page go to <http://library.calday.co.uk/>. If you are having a problem accessing the link you can always go to the School website home page, click on Academic, then Learning Resource Centre, then Search the Catalogue. Remember – if you are looking for a particular book and we don't appear to have it on the shelves, we can order it in for you and it should arrive within a few weeks. We hope you use the website and get the best out of it.

Noel Philip (7BW) (Library Helper) and Mrs Eckford

CAREERS

- Potential medical students/vet scientists/dentists may wish to visit <http://medlink-uk.net/all-in-one-place/> for details regarding Medlink conferences taking place in London on 21st November and Manchester Lowry on 24th November.
- So you want to be a Doctor', event is being run by Liverpool Medical Institution on 19th & 20th December (either one day or two-day course). Applications are first come first served and are always oversubscribed. Applications can be obtained from www.lmi.org.uk/6thFormConference.aspx.
- Applications for work experience at Airbus are now on offer and aimed at students 14 - 19 years, who are interested in either engineering with sound knowledge of maths and science, particularly physics or for students who have an interest in IT or business. For further information please visit www.jobs.airbusgroup.com and select 'Commitment to Education', Youth engagement.

PARKING & DROPPING OFF STUDENTS

We ask that parents do not drop-off their children at the bottom of the school steps or within the school car park, as this causes unnecessary congestion. Grammar School Lane also becomes congested, especially at the beginning and end of the day with buses arriving and departing and therefore we also request that parents do not set down or pick up their children in the proximity of the school and certainly not in the areas with zig-zag road markings. To do so may cause serious traffic congestion and endanger lives. Your co-operation in this matter would be greatly appreciated.