



Calday Grange Grammar School Parents' Newsletter

Friday 10th June 2016

Mon	13 th June	Year 12 students visit to Merseyside UCAS Exhibition
Tues	14 th June	Year 12 return from study leave
Weds	15 th June	
Thurs	16 th June	DofE Bronze Expeditions
Friday	17 th June	DofE Bronze Expeditions

Join us for the **CAPS FAMILY QUIZ & BINGO NIGHT**

Friday 8th July

6.30pm Arrive for registration and
Marigold's Sausage & Chips

7pm sharp quiz starts

Tickets £5 for quiz and food

BAR

PRIZES!



Please email CAPS@calday.co.uk with your name and number of places required and go to Scopay to pay – both by Wednesday 6th July

UCAS VISIT FOR YEAR 12 STUDENTS

Could we please remind Year 12 students that they must register for the Merseyside UCAS Higher Education Convention at Liverpool University on Monday 13th June. Full details on how to do this were sent out recently and the information can be accessed from the Parents/letters home section of the school website.

STUDENT SUCCESS!



Many congratulations to Ben Evans of 10BW who has qualified for the British National Swimming Championships at Ponds Forge, Sheffield at the end of July. He will be swimming in the 4 x 200m Free and 400m Medley. We wish him the best of luck.



Last week several Calday students, both past and present, were involved with a new physical theatre production, *Creature*. It was performed as part of Liverpool's International Physical Theatre Festival (PhysicalFest) and was one of only two pieces in the festival to feature non-professional performers. It was co-directed by Dan Meigh with music by Eric Blakemore and featured Matt Gradden, Stuie Dagnall and Felipe Pacheco.

<http://www.northwestend.co.uk/index.php/professional-reviews/1029-origins-creature-unity-theatre-liverpool>

RAISING FUNDS FOR BREAST CANCER



In January 2016, my mum was diagnosed with breast cancer. Since then she has had a mastectomy and is undergoing chemotherapy to be followed by radiotherapy. The treatments are gruelling, emotionally, mentally and physically. This horrible disease affects not only the person with the diagnosis but also the immediate family, extended family and friends. By 2020, it is estimated that 1 in 2 women will have breast cancer. Please donate generously to help Breast Cancer Now (UK's largest breast cancer charity) campaign to stop women dying from breast cancer and to make sure that everyone affected by breast cancer receives the best possible treatment and services. Thank you. **Jayjay Patel, 11BX.**

Jayjay is participating in a skydive from 10,000 feet on Saturday 11th June 2016 to raise funds for Breast Cancer Now (the largest UK breast cancer charity). Please visit www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Jayjay-Patel to help him raise much needed funds for this worthy cause

"A KINDA MAGIC"

Don't forget that on Wednesday 13th July, our very own 'Calday's Got Talent' success Ben Harris will perform magic and mentalism in front of a live audience – YOU! - all to raise money for the wonderful Clatterbridge Cancer Charity. One of the youngest ever members of the Magic Circle, and endorsed by Las Vegas magic legends such as Lance Burton and Uri Geller, Ben will amaze and baffle you like you never thought possible! The night promises to be entertaining, charismatic and quite simply... magical, with tricks that were originally performed by the legends of the magic world.

As if being mesmerised isn't enough, there will also be a raffle on the night with prizes donated by the wonderful staff at Sainsbury's Upton, as well as an auction for some incredible prizes including a bottle of Moët et Chandon signed by footballing legends Sir Geoff Hurst, Ray Wilson & Martin Peters!! Tickets are priced at £5 and are available from Scopay.

NEWS OF FORMER STUDENTS

We were pleased to learn recently that Alex Byron who left Calday in 2013 to read politics at York University has been selected to receive the Chancellor's Prize for Leadership. The prize is awarded to just three top performing students who have successfully passed the University's York Award.

Alex was informed by the Chancellor that he was selected to receive this prize by the external mentors and leaders of the York Awards because of his exceptional talent, ambition and drive. They were also particularly impressed by the way in which his work has benefitted the wider community of the University of York.

AEROSOLS

Please note that we are no longer sanctioning the use of aerosols in school and on buses with effect from Monday 13th June due to the negative impact on the breathing of asthma sufferers. Students should bring an alternative type of deodorant if they wish to use one in school.

SUPPORT FOR MATTHEW JONES

Matty's parents have written a post about his situation for the Huffington Post and would greatly appreciate if parents could read, share and comment on the post to support Matty's campaign for treatment. In particular, if comments could be added on the post it will help to keep it visible on the site. http://www.huffingtonpost.co.uk/nicholas-jones/chronic-kidney-disease-jeremy-hunt_b_10318488.html?utm_hp_ref=uk



CALDAY RECEIVES FORMAL RECOGNITION OF BECOMING A LICENSED ORGANISATION FOR THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD SCHEME

Mr Rodaway and Mr Bosworth recently visited Buckingham Palace where they were presented with a plaque to recognise the school's status as a Licensed Organisation for DofE. The school currently has in excess of 50 students working towards their gold and silver award and over 200 working towards their bronze award.

Mr Rodaway and Mr Bosworth are pictured with David and Frankie Seaman following the presentation.

CHARITY BUNGEE JUMP – 19th JULY

Any students, parents or friends of the school who want to do the bungee jump please visit the letters home section of the school website for further information.

Please pay for the jump on Scopay as soon as possible and give signed waiver forms to Miss Gill in the maths department.

YEAR 7 DISCO – FRIDAY 17th JUNE

There is a disco for Year 7 students from Calday and West Kirby in the common room on Friday 17th June from 6.00 pm to 9.00 pm. Tickets are £3 and being sold in form time by sixth formers. There will be sweets, snacks and drinks available to buy on the night. Tickets are selling fast!

SCHOLASTIC BOOKS

Leaflets have been sent home with students in years 7-9. Orders can be placed online at: <https://shop.scholastic.co.uk/schools/calday-grange> or order forms and cash can be taken to Mrs Ward in the Learning Resource Centre. This is a great opportunity to stock up on some summer reading and for every £1 spent we get 20p in rewards. Spare leaflets are available in the LRC for anyone who has lost theirs. The closing date for orders is Wednesday 22nd June.

SUMMER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS CRICKET COURSES (run by Cheshire Cricket Manager, Keith Beggs)

Once again, the following cricket courses are being held :

Monday 25 - Friday 29 July
Monday 1 - Friday 5 August
Monday 8 - Friday 12 August
Monday 15 - Friday 19 August
Monday 22 - Friday 26 August

- held at Glasspool site, opposite Caldby Rugby club, Telegraph Road, West Kirby
- school years 2 - year 10, boys and girls both welcome
- reception, or year 1 children welcome (if they can last the day!), or half a day is £10
- 9.30 - 4.30pm (early drop off available at 9am)
- full week £55, one day £15
- 20% discount for sibling if full week booked and 10% discount if more than one week booked
- please inform me of medical issues at time of booking
- bring packed lunch, hat, suntan, drinks (water provided)
- if raining, we play cricket games indoors (this is very popular!)
- emphasis is on fun for all: kwik cricket/twentytwenty/various fun games will be organised
- all coaches are ECB qualified

To book , please ring or email Keith Beggs (Cheshire Cricket coach), mobile: 07828 565860 or email:kjb4218@gmail.com

DEGREE APPRENTICESHIP OPPORTUNITY

We have been made aware of a degree apprenticeship opportunity as an apprentice Quantity Surveyor with Cunliffes, please see end of newsletter for full details.

WIRRAL FUSS

With exam-time upon us, half-term, and the approach of summer, Wirral FUSS - FREE Uniform for Secondary School (and Primary School) - is gearing up for our busiest time, and some of our stock lines are running low.

In the coming weeks, if you have ANY outgrown or redundant uniform, PE kit, etc. - for any school, secondary or primary - PLEASE DONATE items for re-use or recycling in our donation drums at: participating schools, or our seven local Hubs (see our website <http://www.wirralfuss.co.uk/> for locations and opening times), ASDA Woodchurch, or the Conway Centre, Birkenhead. Our volunteers will do their best to process items in good condition and make them available for others, and we will keep the rest out of landfill.

IF YOU NEED UNIFORM ITEMS, please get in touch with us: by email - wirralfuss@yahoo.co.uk - by phone on **0151 632 6524** at St Luke's Methodist Church, Hoylake, OR USE THE ONLINE REQUEST FORM at <http://www.wirralfuss.co.uk/>

VACANCIES

Due to growing numbers within the school and changes in September to our lunchtimes, we have the vacancies listed below. Full details are available from the school website:

Learning Support Assistant (1 x 30 hours & other part-time opportunities)
IT Technician (Apprentice)
Cleaners (x 5 shifts)
Catering Assistants (x3)
Sports Coaches (1 x football, 1 x rugby)

CAREERS INFORMATION

- For any students who are interested in medicine, the following two courses are available in Liverpool:-
'Getting an Interview' course - Saturday 13th August and also 'Mastering the Interview' Course on Sunday 16th October.
The same courses are also being held in Manchester 'Getting an Interview' on Saturday 20th August and 'Mastering the Interview' on Saturday 22th October. Book online www.tomorrowsdrs.co.uk. Further information is available from Mrs Montgomery.
- The Walton Centre, local brain and spine hospital, are holding a careers fair on Saturday 2nd July 2016 from 1.00 pm to 4.00 pm (admission is free). The event will feature information and advice about the variety of careers available in the health service. There will also be talks from the hospitals neurosurgeon, interactive displays, demonstrations, quizzes and games to help demonstrate what the Walton Centre does. Careers talks are at 1pm and 2.30pm - booking essential; communications@thewaltoncentre.nhs.uk

FUNDRAISE FOR THE SCHOOL WHILST SHOPPING! (UPDATE)

Thank you to all those who have used the easyfundraising website as last month we raised a fantastic £100. Parents and staff have commented on how easy it is to use. To sign up and help us raise funds for the school please visit <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/how-it-works/>



Calday Association of Parents & Staff

If you want to lend your support to CAPS and get involved in fund-raising events to raise funds for the school, please get in touch with us: caps@calday.co.uk

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Free school meals are available for children if their parent or carer receives certain benefits. In addition the school receives Pupil Premium funding each year of £935 per student who is entitled to free school meals; this funding continues for up to six years after the free school meals claim ends. This means that even if you only expect to claim for a short period of time the Pupil Premium funding will continue to support your child's education for the long term.

If you don't apply our School will miss out on funding which could go towards providing additional support for your child. If your child prefers to bring a packed lunch you will still need to register for free school meals for our school to receive the Pupil Premium funding. The next census date is May 2016 and we encourage all eligible parents or carers to complete their applications ahead of this date to ensure that the School receives funding in 2016/17. Please visit the parent section of the school website for more information.