



Calday Grange Grammar School Parents' Newsletter

13th March 2015

Mon	16 th Mar	Year 7 residential meeting (6.00 pm)
Tues	17 th Mar	
Weds	18 th Mar	
Thurs	19 th Mar	
Fri	20 th Mar	

UCAS EVENING

The Lower Sixth UCAS evening for parents and students will be held on Monday 20th April from 7.00 pm till 8.00 pm in the main hall. Mrs Rivett will provide information about the university application process and our Careers Advisor, Mrs Montgomery, will also be there to answer any questions.



LEGO APPEAL

Our robotics club is very popular and we do not currently have enough lego to sustain the group. We would be extremely grateful for any spare lego that you would be willing to donate so that we can continue to offer this activity to the students. Please contact Mrs Mounsey at the school if you are able to assist.

UNDERGRADUATE TASTER DAY

Loughborough University is holding an undergraduate taster day on Thursday 23rd April, with sample lectures from leading academics in the fields of;

Engineering and Regenerative Medicine
Business and Economics
Geography, History and RS
Science
Psychology and Sociology
Art and Design

Students are welcome to attend on their own or with parents. Lunch and refreshments will be provided. To book a place or find out more visit www.lboro.ac.uk/inspiringminds or call 01509 222488.



REFILWE COMMUNITY PROJECT

Calday has supported the Refilwe Community Project in South Africa for 9 years, raising money for disadvantaged children in the area of Lanseria, Johannesburg and taking students there every year. Refilwe have passed on their thanks to the Calday community for all the support we have given them, but especially for the last two years during which much of the money raised by Calday has funded a Community Care Worker who has done social work and career counselling with the children of both Refilwe and the large informal settlement close by. She was an essential part of getting the foster-care programme registered and is a great asset to the team, the children and the parents of the community. For more information about Refilwe, go to www.refilwe.org.

REFILWE SUNSET SNOWDON HIKE

Mr Kavanagh is leading a walk to the summit of Snowdon on Saturday 16th May to raise money for Refilwe. We will be leaving Calday at approximately 1 pm and back by approximately 1 am. Any parents and students interested please email him on Robert.kavanagh@calday.co.uk

DIGITAL LEADERS

17 of our students have now been trained as Digital Leaders and will use their expertise to assist students and staff with any issues they may have in relation to technology i.e. use of ipads, setting up google drives etc. The Digital Leaders are:-

Matthew Goodchild	Paul Halliwell
Ben Harris	Rueben John
Dan Jones	Dan Lawson
Dan McCarthy	Harry McEvoy
Rachel Meyer	James Myers
Luke Needham	Milo Noblet
Josh Powell	Mrinank Sharma
Benjamin Siebertz-Willett	Matthew Sudlow
James Youngson	

PSYCHOLOGY A LEVEL REVISION CLASSES

A2 drop in session/revision session continuing as normal, from 3.35 pm until 4.30 pm, on Thursdays with Miss Whittle in B6. Also, starting Tuesday (17th March) weekly AS revision sessions from 3.35 pm to 4.30 pm.

QUIZ NIGHT

Thank you for all those who attended the quiz night on Saturday 7th March. It was an excellent evening which was very well supported. A big thank you to the quizmaster, Mr Thompson, for the great questions.

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

We have received 7 nominations for our current parent governor vacancies (x3) and therefore we must now hold a ballot. The ballot papers have now been printed and will be sent home with students on Monday. If you do not receive your documentation please contact Mrs Ellis at the school.

SPORTS CAMP (Tuesday 25th to Thursday 27th August 2015)

This is available to any child aged 7 and above (girls and non-Calday pupils are actively encouraged to come along). The 'new' Year 7 entrants will be grouped together, giving them a chance to meet new friends, whilst familiarising themselves with members of staff and the facilities before they officially arrive in September. This has proved to be an excellent introduction to their new school.

Forms will be available from the school reception, school website and also via <http://thejuniorcamp.eventbrite.co.uk>

SPORTS RESULTS

Rugby

U13 Rugby team made the Birkenhead and Ellesmere College 7s finals this week, losing narrowly in both finals to Stockport Grammar and Sedbergh School.

Birkenhead 7s results:

Group games

Merchant Taylors won 40-7

Birkenhead won 40-0

Cheadle Hulme won 24-7

Quarter Final

St Edwards won 26-12

Semi Final

Wirral won 28-14

Final

Stockport Grammar lost 7-22

Ellesmere College 7s results:

Pool games

Wrekin WON 24-0

Oswestry WON 40-0

Abberley WON 28-14

Sedbergh B WON 40-0

St Anselms WON 24-0

Sedbergh A WON 28-14

SEMI - Bishop Heber WON 26-12

FINAL - Sedbergh A LOST 7-17

SPORTS RESULTS (cont/d..)

U14 Rugby made it through to the Semi Final of the Plate at the Wirral Grammar Schools 7s losing narrowly to Merchant Taylors.

Football

Year 9 Football team beat Lord Derby Academy 3-2 in the Quarter Final of the Merseyside Cup. Goals scored by Harri Cornford, Nick Lynch and Sam Pilkington.

HANDBALL COMPETITION

On Tuesday 10th March, our Year 10 team entered the Wirral Schools Handball Competition. For the majority of the team, it was their first appearance in a Calday Grange GS colours. The students gave their all but unfortunately were beaten by teams who play on a regular basis. Many thanks to Dan Carden (Year 13) for volunteering to referee. The team was Ben Sara-Kelly, Alex Risk, Ed McIntyre, Ben Newman, Ash Henry, Nick Minchella, Matt Broughton, Aaron Hess and Kieran Ralston.

CHESS

Wirral High School Chess - the next monthly tournament will be held on 19th March 5.30 pm-7.30 pm at Thingwall Social Club. Students should see Mr Isherwood or Mr Morris for further details.

EXAMINATION INVIGILATORS

We are currently recruiting for examination invigilators. Please visit the school website for further information.

MESSAGE FROM MR LAMPREY

In the last couple of years, staff, students and parent have been very generous supporting the various charities I have run for. Last year I set myself the target to run 1000 miles as well as raise money for Teenage cancer. This year I am hoping to beat that target and support Prostate Cancer UK. This is to support a good friend, who is currently in remission from this, but also following the successful delivery of assemblies to Years, 10 and 11 about Prostate and Testicular cancer.

This month I am running the Liverpool Half Marathon so if you see me about give me a shout! Any donations would be greatly appreciated: <http://ul.virginmoneygiving.com/ColinLamprey>

STUDY SKILLS GUIDE

Study skills guides are now on sale in the library (£4.00 each). These are useful for students and parents in all year groups.



CALDAY ASSOCIATION OF PARENTS AND STAFF (PTA)

Would you like to join a friendly group of parents and teachers in planning and organising events to benefit the students in the school and the community at Calday? Please come to our next meeting on Monday 20th April 2015 at 7pm at The Hilltop pub, 19, Black Horse Hill, West Kirby.CH48 8DS.

For more information please email CAPS@calday.co.uk or visit www.caldaygrangegrammarschool.co.uk

EASTER SPORTS CAMPS

Mr Miller & Mr Hayes are running 2 sports camps during the second week of the Easter holidays, a Rugby and a Hockey camp. The two camps are open to all age groups and they do not have to play for the schools teams to attend the camp.

The camps will be very different to any other sports camp, with professional sportsman, nutrition specialists, and performance analysts attending both camps as well as many more exciting activities to look forward to. If anyone is interested then please email masterssportscoaching@gmail.com. Please see flyer at the end of the newsletter.



We are once again collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers. There is a post box situated outside the Administration Office for the students to place vouchers in. Thank you for your support.

SUPPORTING 'COUNT THE KICKS'

The school has started to collect some recyclable items to support the charity 'Count the Kicks'. This is a charity aimed at raising awareness in pregnant ladies of being aware of fetal movements to reduce the number of stillbirths. Approximately 90% of babies could possibly be saved if medical assistance had been sought sooner.

The charity is able to trade in the recycled items for funds to help their work. An information booklet that explains the history behind the charity and their aims and a leaflet that explains the recyclable items that are accepted by the charity can be found by visiting their website www.countthekicks.org.uk or on the 'latest news' section of the school website.

STUDENTS ARE INVITED TO DESIGN A STAINED GLASS WINDOW TO CELEBRATE THE 100th ANNIVERSARY OF CADETS IN CALDAY

2016 will be the 100th Anniversary of Cadets in Calday. In 1916 a detachment of the Officers' Training Corps was formed in the school which is now the Combined Cadet Force. We wish to commemorate this by installing two stained glass windows above the main entrance doors and we are offering students the opportunity to enter a competition to design it.

Their design should incorporate images which show a simple theme for each of our Navy, Army and Air Force sections (possibly a dinghy for Navy, a bell tent for the Army, and a glider for the Air Force). The CCF crest should also be included. The windows each measure 85 cm by 110 cm.

Completed entries on A3 or A4 paper (including name and form) should be submitted to Reception by Thursday 2nd April 2015. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to email the CCF at ccf@calday.co.uk or to see Mr Adcock, CCF Contingent Commander.

LIVERPOOL CHAMBER TRAINING – APPRENTICESHIP OPEN DAYS

Liverpool Chamber Training is hosting Apprenticeship Open Days to advise young people what is available when they finish school/college. These drop in sessions will take place between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm on Wednesday 18th March, Wednesday 15th April and Wednesday 27th May. For more information contact the recruitment team on 0151 236 3222 or via email recruitment@liverpoolchamber.org.uk.

FUNDRAISE FOR THE SCHOOL WHILST SHOPPING!

We are always looking for opportunities to maximise the impact of our fundraising activities and would like to draw your attention to a donation website we are currently signed up to where we can benefit from your shopping.

The easyfundraising website rewards shoppers who purchase from various online retailers by making donations to good causes. Calday Grange Grammar School qualifies as a good cause and by using this site one of our parents has already contributed £37 for 6 months of shopping. Imagine the impact on funds if a significant number of others followed suit!

Could we please ask you to take 5 minutes of your time to take a look at the following link and sign up to the website via <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/how-it-works/>

PARENT VIEW – YOUR FEEDBACK IS IMPORTANT

Parent View offers parents the opportunity to tell Ofsted what they think about their child's school which in turn provides the school with valuable information to help us improve. Last year only a small number of parents (approximately 20) provided their feedback so we would be grateful if you could take the opportunity to visit www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk to complete the short questionnaire.

You simply need an email address and a password to register. Once your login has been activated, it only takes a few minutes to choose answers to 12 short questions about the school.

Please remember that you can give your opinion through Parent View at any time during the school year. At the time of an inspection, you can refresh or resubmit your views and the facility will overwrite your previous response so that only one 'view' for each parent, per school, is held.



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- Outstanding coaching for 8-16 year old boys
- 'Guest Day' coaching sessions by Rotherham Titans rugby players
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- TRX training session from S3 Fitness
- Fitness and rehab pool sessions
- Nutrition presentation

13th-17th April

5 day course £120

@ Calday Grange Grammar School



To book, complete the form on the reverse and return with the course fee. Further info:



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coaching@gmail
.com



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Our aim— "To show you what you can be, rather than what you are."