



Calday Grange Grammar School Parents' Newsletter

Friday 1st July 2016

Mon	4 th July	Year 13 clearing Information evening for new Year 7 parents
Tues	5 th July	Sports Awards Evening
Weds	6 th July	Induction day for new Year 7
Thurs	7 th July	
Friday	8 th July	Non uniform day in aid of Heswall Disabled Children Holiday Fund

INDUSTRIAL ACTION

We have been informed by the National Union of Teachers that they will be taking industrial action in the form of a strike/indeterminate withdrawal of labour on 5th July 2016. This action is not against Calday Grange Grammar School itself but is part of national industrial action organised by this trades union about protecting the pay and working conditions of their members and funding levels for schools.

Having reviewed the potential impact upon staffing levels, the decision has been made to keep the school open on Tuesday 5th July. However, it is likely that some lessons will be disrupted. 6th Form students will be required to undertake private study if a member of staff is unavailable to take a lesson. All other students (if a teacher is unavailable to take a lesson) will be placed in the school hall under the supervision of senior staff.

7HS BAKE-OFF

What started out as a mad idea and one-off event with her year 7 form class in 2014 has now become something of an annual event for Miss Trotter's year 7 form. Over the past two years the boys in the current 9HT and 8HS have created and baked some incredible entries within the themes of 'My Favourite Subject', 'Sports', 'One of Your Five a Day' and 'The Football World Cup'.

With a quiz each Monday where the teams can win extra ingredients to use alongside their staples of butter, flour, sugar, eggs and icing, the teams are already planning their entry for the Friday. Each Friday the boys recite the Bake Off Oath with Head Judge, Mrs Owen, where they promise that all the work is their own, before Mrs Owen examines all the entries before the arduous task of the taste testing begins.

The past two years have produced such a high calibre that the bar was set very high for this year's form. However, this year's event has been no exception - over the past three weeks the boys of 7HS have shown their skills, creativity and teamwork and created, baked and iced their way to baking perfection with the themes of 'Euro 2016', 'Nature' and this week's theme - 'Food'.

Football pitches complete with iced goalposts to waterfall scenes with iced hikers and butterflies impressed the judges so much that they felt this week's entries would struggle to meet the already very high standard shown over the past two weeks. But the boys' entries this week absolutely bowled everyone over with their skill and imagination! We had a 'burger' (chocolate cake for the patty and Victoria sponge for the bun complete with iced seeds and strawberry jam 'relish'), a 'donut', a bowl of 'spaghetti bolognese' (piped buttercream icing for the spaghetti and 'meatball' truffles, complete with 'garlic bread' (biscotti!), a 'lollipop' and a 'Full English Breakfast'. Yes, a Full English.

The entire form have shown their exceptional skills and Miss Trotter and Mrs Owen could not be more amazed by the cooking skills 7HS have shown themselves to have. Paul Hollywood - you have some competition...



PREFECT TEAM FOR NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR

We are delighted to inform you that following an interview process, our new Head Boy is Charles Acheampong and our Head Girl is Chloe Maher. We also have two Deputy Head Prefects who are Dan Milne and Adi Adiga. The team will be supported by the following prefects:-

Claudia Benitez	Senior Prefect		Emma Hilton	Prefect
Jack Broderick	Senior Prefect		Peter Hoggard	Prefect
Sam Callaghan	Senior Prefect		Emma Jubb	Prefect
Hannah Giardelli	Senior Prefect		Adam Keenan	Prefect
Adam Harland	Senior Prefect		John Kitchen	Prefect
Lucy King	Senior Prefect		Nathan Lee	Prefect
Lydia Kinnear	Senior Prefect		Alastair Macdonald	Prefect
Robert Love	Senior Prefect		Duncan Macdonald	Prefect
Ewan McKay	Senior Prefect		Jake Mathot	Prefect
Bethany Mortimer	Senior Prefect		Manon McCoy	Prefect
Milo Noblet	Senior Prefect		Harry McNeill	Prefect
Dan Owen	Senior Prefect		Samantha Melville	Prefect
Cormac Riley	Senior Prefect		Kevin O'Donnell	Prefect
Will Rowan	Senior Prefect		Christopher Page	Prefect
Alexander Youngson	Senior Prefect		George Patterson	Prefect
Ben Acton	Prefect		Jonathan Pettitt	Prefect
Daniel Allen	Prefect		Max Prescott	Prefect
Alex Bates	Prefect		Mahdi Quadri	Prefect
Thomas Cameron	Prefect		Aditya Revat	Prefect
Alex Cartwright	Prefect		Sarah Robson	Prefect
Ryan Clegg	Prefect		Michael Smith	Prefect
Zach Coburn	Prefect		Myan Thomas	Prefect
Samuel Cole	Prefect		John Thompson	Prefect
Jessica Cooke	Prefect		Tom Thorne	Prefect
Gabriel Cooper	Prefect		Hannah Travis	Prefect
Harry Das	Prefect		Louis Turner	Prefect
Mark Dimitri	Prefect		Jack Underwood	Prefect
Jake Dodd	Prefect		Harry Waterman	Prefect
Matthew Goodchild	Prefect		Stuart Went	Prefect
Paul Halliwell	Prefect		GJ White	Prefect
Ben Hamlett	Prefect		Cameron Wyke	Prefect

YEAR 10 & YEAR 8 TENNIS TEAMS QUALIFY FOR THE NATIONAL CUP

The year 10b team and Year 8b team have qualified for the next round of the National cup and will now play Marple Hall and Sale Grammar schools. We would like to thank all the boys who have represented the school at tennis this year.

SPORTS LEADERS CHALLENGE

The Sports Leaders Challenge for this Year is due to start on Monday 4 July and will finish on Friday 8 July. The Charity they are looking to assist is Heswall Disabled Children's Holiday Fund who provide a week's holiday camp for disabled children every year. The challenge is to cycle 1493 miles which is the distance between the Euro 2016 venues, To assist them in this challenge they are looking to arrange for every student and member of staff to cycle a mile

The Sports Leaders are still looking for Sponsors for the event as each leg between the venues is being sponsored together with the fastest mile for each year group amongst others but the boys would like to thank the following sponsors so far: -

Bradshaw Farnham and Lea
The Kenny Family
The Gawiths
Steve McCormick
The Leungs
The Cullens
The Stoddarts
The Youngsons
Mike and Samantha Fletcher
The Storeys
Canny Jim Blue
Wells Family
Andrew McKechnie

YEAR 10 DRAMA STUDENTS PERFORM AT THE EVERYMAN



"You have bereft me of all words,
Only my blood speaks to you in my veins"

On Tuesday 12th July twelve year 10 drama students will be performing on the Everyman main stage as part of the theatres *Work Bard, Play Bard* production. We will be one of eight schools from around the region who have created a short piece inspired by *The Merchant of Venice*. Tickets are £3-5 and available from the Everyman website. <http://www.everymanplayhouse.com/whats-on/work-bard-play-bard-0>

MESSAGE FROM MERSEYTRAVEL

From Monday 4th July the morning journey (0813 from Upton Station) for service 621 will be operated by Selwyn's Travel. The route and timetable have not changed.

STUDENT BUS TRAVEL FROM WALLASEY, NORTH WALES AND CHESTER



2016/17 annual bus passes for students who travel on one of the school operated services are now available to purchase online at www.calday.co.uk/buspass. **The deadline for selecting your child's bus pass for 2016/17 and signing up to our Direct Debit payment scheme is Sunday 10 July.**

The school continues to work with two local operators, Cass and Carvers, to provide a safe, well managed and affordable service that gets your child to school on time each day. All buses and coaches used have seat belts fitted and parents are asked to remind their child of the need to use these on every journey.



Payments for 2016/17 will be collected by paperless Direct Debit through our secure payment system called GoCardless. These changes were introduced in 2015 to improve affordability and convenience for parents as you will no longer have to go online and remember to make the payments once the Direct Debit has been set up.

The annual price of the Wallasey bus pass has been frozen at £450 and the price for Chester and North Wales bus passes have been subject to a slight price increase to £875 and £995 respectively.

You may pay in full or, if you sign up to the monthly Direct Debit payment option, the cost of your child's bus pass is spread into eight payments as follows:

Wallasey (C buses)	£56.25 per month
North Wales & Chester W buses excluding St Asaph & Caerwys)	£109.37 per month
St Asaph & Caerwys	£124.37 per month

The timetables for the services are published on the school website. Parents of students who will be travelling from North Wales and Chester are requested to purchase a particular bus stop (from 1 to 13). Once the student numbers for each bus stop are known the specific routes and timetables will be published.

If you have any queries with these arrangements please contact the school at gocardless@calday.co.uk

SCHOOL PLAY



This term's play, which will be performed in the library, is Anthony Burgess's own adaptation of his 1962 novel, *A Clockwork Orange*. Avoiding the flashy sensationalism of Stanley Kubrick's film version, the play concentrates on the political and moral issues that are raised by the story. Alex, a vicious teenage thug is sentenced to ten years in prison but is offered an early release if he agrees to be a guinea pig in the brainwashing/conditioning experiments of Dr Brodsky, experiments which, it is hoped, will cure him of all criminality. This will be a fast-paced, lively production and the satirical style allows for a good deal of humour despite the serious themes.

The play will be performed by students in years 10, 11, 12 and 13. The performances are on Wednesday 6th July, Thursday 7th July and Friday 8th July at 7.00 p.m. Tickets are £5 and can be obtained online (via Scopay) or from Mr Lewton. There is some violence and bloodshed in the play which might make it unsuitable for young children.

'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 younger 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, a hamper from Morrisons, £25 gift voucher from Faith Hairdressers, wine donated by the Co-op, and a 'West Kirby' china mug from Le Bizz. Tickets are priced at £5 and are available from Scopay.

TOUR OF MERSEYSIDE – 52 miles in 6 races over 7 days

Colin Lamprey is running in the above event to raise funds for Claire House. This is the 4th year that he is attempting this event and only one of the original 22 to complete all 3 going into Tour 4. The tour is as follows: -

Sunday 3rd July	Southport half 13 miles
Monday 4th July	Thurstaston Multi Terrain 6 miles
Tuesday 5th July	Sustrans Walton track 10 Miles
Wednesday 6th July	Rest day
Thursday 7th July	Otterspool 5 miles
Friday 8th July	Stadt Moers Cross country 6 miles
Saturday 9th July	Hoylake promenade run 12 miles

The total raised for Claire House to date is £560 following his previous challenge. Thank you for all your kind donations but if you can would like to sponsor me the link is <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/ColinLamprey>.

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

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.

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
- all coaches are ECB qualified

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

FUNDRAISE FOR THE SCHOOL WHILST SHOPPING!

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

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.

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.