



# Calday Grange Grammar School

## Newsletter (Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2018)

Mon	29 <sup>th</sup> October	All students return Year 11 Geography field work (all week)
Tues	30 <sup>th</sup> October	
Wed	31 <sup>st</sup> October	
Thurs	1 <sup>st</sup> November	
Fri	2 <sup>nd</sup> November	

### SIXTH FORM INFORMATION FAIR

We are holding an information fair for prospective sixth form students (both internal and external) on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November from 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm in the school hall. All current Year 11 students and their parents are warmly invited to attend. This will be an opportunity to find out information about the subjects students may wish to consider studying at A Level. There will also be a number of universities and employers attending.

**SAVE THE DATE:** We will also be holding a subject seminar evening for prospective sixth form students on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019. This event will allow students to find out more detailed information about subjects (full details to follow).

### PHYSICS OLYMPICS



On Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October, Calday entered two teams into the Liverpool Physics Olympics. They were not handpicked, just drawn out of a hat from the many excellent physics students who expressed an interest. The U6 wanted to see if they could match or better the performance of last year's U6 team, who came third, whereas the L6 team were not even sure what it was really all about.



The competition was held in the Central Teaching Labs at Liverpool University and there were thirty teams present. The idea was that each team completed five physics based tasks and an estimating quiz based on magnitudes. These tasks ranged from diffracting light using a CD, to transmitting information about the periodic table using codes. The L6 team were at a disadvantage with one year less of physics under their belts, but managed to place 3<sup>rd</sup> in one of the events. The U6 team placed third in one event and won an event outright. Overall, the U6 team came 3<sup>rd</sup>, matching last year, and they were delighted. Well done to all eight students that took part.

U6 team: Jack Bellis, Abhishek Das, Nathan Cook, Ben Hughes  
L6 team: James Bryan, Elliot Tudor, Theo Eglin, Jacob Eckl

### YEAR 7 FOOTBALL – NATIONAL CUP UPTON-BY-CHESTER

Despite 90% of our Year 7 football team being Everton season ticket holders, this performance was much more like watching Jurgen Klopp's Liverpool. With high pressing from the front and some exceptionally calm play from the back, Calday took an early lead through a good reaction finish by Jude Mottram. After a controversial penalty was awarded for the opposition, the boys reacted well and regained the lead before half-time through an outstanding long-range effort from Captain Stan Dancey. In the second half, Calday dominated possession and eventually sealed victory 4- 2 as Dancey completed his hat-trick. Up next in the national cup is West Derby at home after half-term. This was a very enjoyable first competitive fixture even if there were Everton songs sung all the way home! Mr Ward

### WIRRAL SPORTS FORUM AWARDS



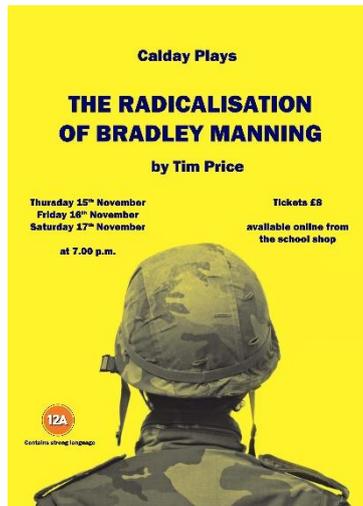
Congratulations to last year's Year 11 Football Team who were voted the Boys Team of the Year 2018 at the Wirral Sports Forum Awards last week at Hulme Hall Port Sunlight for winning the ESFA Premier Cup.

Jack Taylor was also nominated for Young Personality of the Year for Badminton and former student, Matt Owen, was nominated for Coach of the Year. Well done to everyone.

## CHANGE TO FINISH DATE AT THE END OF THE AUTUMN TERM

Please note that school will now close at the end of the school day (3.35 pm) on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2018 rather than 1.00 pm on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

## CALDAY PLAYS – AUTUMN PRODUCTION



Bradley Manning is the 24-year-old US soldier accused of the release of thousands of US embassy emails to Wikileaks.

This tells the story of Chelsea Manning (born as Bradley Manning), the former US soldier accused of releasing 250,000 secret embassy cables and military logs from the Iraq and Afghan wars. When this play was written, Manning had spent three years in prison without charge and was awaiting sentence, having been found guilty of crimes that could mean life in prison. But just a few years prior to this, she was a teenager in west Wales. How did this happen? And who was responsible for her radicalisation?

Performance dates and times: 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> November 7pm.

Tickets are £8 each and can now be bought from the school shop ([shop.calday.co.uk](http://shop.calday.co.uk))

Due to some adult content there is a suggested 12A age rating.

## HEALTH SERVICES IN SCHOOLS INFORMATION EVENING FOR PARENTS

On Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November, Kersti Lawson, Health Services in Schools Youth Worker, will be running an information evening for parents. Kersti and her colleagues will be providing information sessions on drugs, alcohol and mental health and well-being. Kersti has worked with Calday for many years and has up-to-date knowledge on the issues that are affecting young people in the local area.

You will receive a letter via SchoolComms. If you wish to attend this event please return the reply slip to Mrs Humphreys in the Student Services office or email her on [susan.humphreys@calday.co.uk](mailto:susan.humphreys@calday.co.uk)

## MAGIC SHOW

Calling all magic fans! Ben Harris from U6H3 will be performing his final magic show at Calday Grange on the 22<sup>nd</sup> November – the 'Heavy Entertainment Magic Show'. His two previous shows at Calday, raised over £2200 for selected charities, and this final show at the school will be in aid of Refilwe, a charity very close to Ben's heart following his visit there last July. Ben is going to be performing in a way that he has never done before, so even if you think you have seen him perform already, you will not have seen this brand new style that he will be bringing to this show! His magic will include a range of stage magic greats, as well as routines that he has devised himself, all packed into a 90 minute show.

Ben has thoroughly enjoyed performing these last two years at Calday and raising money for two incredible charities. So come and support Ben one final time as he embarks on his grand finale this show is not to be missed! Bring friends and family along for what promises to be an amazing night of surprises, magic and entertainment

Tickets can be purchased via the school shop ([shop.calday.co.uk](http://shop.calday.co.uk)) or through form tutors at £5 each. You can also email request tickets at [harrisbs@calday.co.uk](mailto:harrisbs@calday.co.uk). The show commences at 7pm in the school hall, and will finish around 9.00pm. There is already a limited number of tickets available, so book early to avoid disappointment!

## FOIL FENCING CLUB



We are delighted to welcome a new Foil Fencing Club to Calday Grange Grammar School.

We hope to start running courses as soon as new equipment can be delivered. In the meantime, British Fencing Qualified Coaches Mr Howell and Mr Lloyd will run a demonstration session for students who wish to learn more about the sport.

Special Introductory Demonstration Session, Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 3:45pm - 4:30pm in the school Gym

Students are invited to attend this session to learn more about the sport of Fencing and meet the coaches.

Not sure what fencing is all about? Not sure if you will like fencing? Then come along to this session to learn more. No booking required, just turn up. Please visit our website for further details: [www.calday.co.uk/fencing](http://www.calday.co.uk/fencing)

## CHARITY UPDATE

Today, our students and staff have raised the following amounts for charity:-

Non uniform day in aid of Jeans 4 Genes £2,384

Year 7 football in aid of Macmillan £212

Cake sale in aid of disadvantaged children £549.10

Thank you to everyone who donated and supported these very worthwhile causes.

## RUNNING OPPORTUNITIES

This week we participated in the Liverpool Harriers mid-week league race at Camp Hill, Woolton. We gave a great account of ourselves against 'new' opposition. In the year 7 race, out of 52 runners, we came 4th - Louis Hatton 10th, Oliver Kenny 16th, Felix Bowman 23rd and Will Hampshire 29th

In the Year 8 & 9 race, out of 46 runners, we came 1st with 18pts - Will Sutcliffe 1st, Jack Bernham 3rd, Alex Poulston 4th, Tom Dougherty 10th and Leo Nilsson 13th

In the Year 10 & 11 race, out of 20 runners, we came 1st 13pts - Dan Hayes 1st, Flynn Jones 2nd, Sam Brocklehurst 3rd, Karthick Kalirjan 7th and Reece Jones 12th

Not only was there some stunning performances but once again Calday showed real appreciation to their opponents with the Year 10 & 11 runners shaking the hands of all the runners from the other schools.

### Dates for your diary

Saturday 20th Parkruns in your locality- objective to either beat your pb or be within 1 minute of it

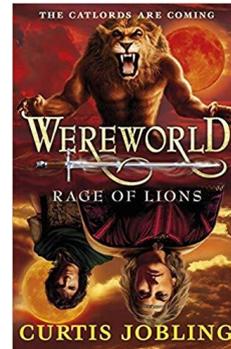
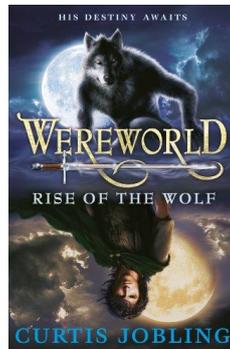
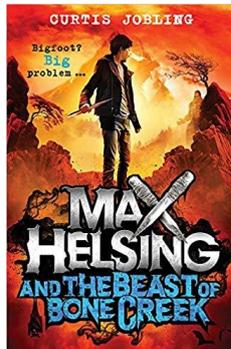
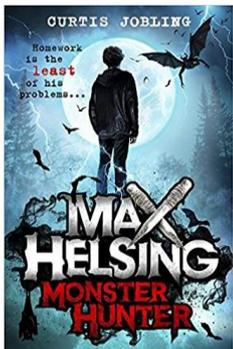
Saturday 27th Parkrun- aim for that PB but improve 1 place from last week

The next big event is Saturday 10th November, the 2nd round of the English Schools Cup to be held at Carmel (TBC).

## ECO CLUB AND CALDAY IN BLOOM

The Eco Club would welcome any donations of bulbs, bird food and any old bird feeders you might want to get rid of. We are planting now and would really appreciate your donations to help support the wildlife at Calday. Any donations can be left at Reception. Thank you for your support. The Eco Club

## LEARNING RESOURCE CENTRE NEWS



### YEAR 7 & 8 parents only

We are very excited to let you know we have the author **Curtis Jobling** visiting our school on the 31<sup>st</sup> October. Curtis is the designer of worldwide hit children's television show "Bob the Builder", as well as "Frankenstein's Cat" and "Raa Raa the Noisy Lion". He has moved on from the world of animation to writing a number of children's books. These include:

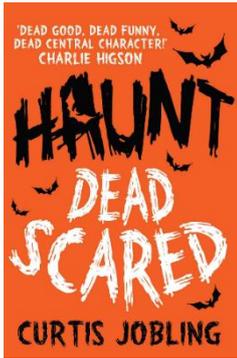
- **Max Helsing: Monster Hunter** and **Max Helsing and the Beast of Bone Creek** - *Percy Jackson* meets *Dracula* in this action-packed monster hunting series!
- **Wereworld: Rise of the Wolf** and **Wereworld: Rage of Lions** -

Young werewolf Drew Ferran is the future King of Westland. He has the makings of a great warrior – but he must first master the blade and the beast.

Any Year 7 student who bought Curtis's other book **Haunt: Dead Scared** through BookBuzz can also bring their copy in for signing. In order to save time, could this please be done the day before and left with me in the library?

## BOOK OF THE MONTH

As Curtis Jobling is coming to visit on Hallowe'en, I have chosen *Haunt* as our book of the month and have displayed several spooky, spine-chilling books at the front of the LRC for students to borrow.



When Will finds himself in hospital, but unable to make anyone see or hear him, he realises that he never made it home from his first kiss with the school hottie. Knocked off his bike in a road traffic accident, Will is now officially dead - and a ghost. But somehow his best mate, Dougie, can still see him, and, what is more, increasingly Will seems bound to Dougie, going only where Dougie goes. Once they've exhausted all the comic possibilities of being invisible, they set about unravelling the mystery of Will's predicament. Is it something to do with that kiss, or the driver of the car that killed him and didn't stop? Maybe they will find an answer by investigating the rumour that there is an unhappy spirit haunting the ruins in the school grounds, and if so, why?

What they discover is a long-buried mystery, which stretches its fingers right into the present...



Calday Grange Grammar School  
Fine Art Department presents a ...

# PHOTOGRAPHY

Years 7 & 8 Autumn Competition 2018

## The Unexpected HALLOWEEN



Entrants are allowed to submit **ONLY 1** photo

Competition Rules

- o Competition open to Key Stage 3 students only.
- o Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners.
- o Photos due for submission by Tuesday 30th October, 2018. Anything later will not be accepted.
- o Submit photos to Mr. Connell in Room A2.
- o Photos **MUST** depict theme "The Unexpected - Halloween"! Be Creative!
- o Photos must be printed in full colour, size A4 and be of the highest quality possible.
- o Make a note of your full name, form group and title of work on the back of photo.
- o Editing and enhancing photos is allowed however, the content of the photo must **NOT** be changed

Each entry will be judged on the following criteria:

- o Depiction of the theme
- o Appearance - visual attraction
- o Originality and Creativity
- o Photo quality

**Deadline:**  
**30<sup>th</sup> October, 2018**

**Good Luck! Get Snapping!**

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## CAREERS INFORMATION



One of our former students, Owen Johnson, who is currently completing his Airline Transport Pilot training, came into school on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October to talk to students about becoming a pilot. He also provided some specifics about aircraft such as the Airbus A320. The session was attended by a number of our students who are interested in aeronautical engineering, becoming a pilot, aviation studies or applying for an apprenticeship with Airbus.

### **TASTER DAY AT LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY FOR RADIO THERAPY (new information)**

There is a Radiotherapy taster day at Liverpool University. The first day available is Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October. For more details please have a look at "Meet Paul: Studying Radiotherapy at Liverpool" on YouTube or visit [www.liverpool.ac.uk/healthsciences](http://www.liverpool.ac.uk/healthsciences).

### **TASTER DAY AT LIVERPOOL MEDICAL SCHOOL**

Students who are considering medicine may be interested in attending a taster day at Liverpool Medical School on Wednesday 5 December. The cost of the day is £35 including lunch. Details are on the website and the booking link is <https://www.liverpool.ac.uk/medicine/study-with-us/undergraduate/admissions-information/>

### **INTERVIEW COACHING FOR STUDENTS WHO HAVE APPLIED FOR MEDICINE**

Mrs Montgomery will be providing interview coaching for students who have applied for Medicine. The sessions will take place every Friday at 1.00 pm in the conference room for approximately six weeks. The first session will be Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October.

### **TWO DAY INTENSIVE COURSE FOR YEAR 12 STUDENTS CONSIDERING A MEDICAL CAREER**

If any Year 12 students are considering a career in Medicine then they may be interested in attending 'So you want to be a Doctor' which is being run by Liverpool Medical Institution on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December. For more details please visit <https://www.lmi.org.uk/y12c-application>.

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### **VIEWING STUDENT BEHAVIOUR AND ACHIEVEMENT RECORDS VIA EDULINK**

In order to ensure parents are fully informed regarding their son/daughter's conduct and attitude to learning in school, as of next Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2018, you will be able to view their behaviour and achievement record via the Edulink app. If you have a query regarding any subsequent entries, please contact your child's subject teacher in the first instance. Any issues with the Edulink app contact the school's IT department at [itsupport@calday.co.uk](mailto:itsupport@calday.co.uk). Please note that unfortunately, you will not be able to view any retrospective records, only any new additions from next Monday onwards.

### **COMMUNICATION WITH THE SCHOOL**

At Calday Grange Grammar School we are committed to treating everybody with respect and courtesy, and to giving you a polite and effective response should you contact us.

Our staff also have the right to work in a safe environment, free from verbal abuse and other intimidating behaviour directed at them. We will take effective measures to support any employee who is subject to any inappropriate behaviour. We therefore ask that parents respond to this by showing polite, respectful behaviour when in contact with our staff either in person, in written correspondence or via a telephone conversation. Thank you for your support.

### **PARKING & DROPPING OFF STUDENTS**

We ask that parents do not drop-off their children 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

We would also like to remind parents and students that parking on some parts of Column Road is illegal and that cars parked inappropriately may be ticketed by the police who conduct regular checks on the area. Please ensure that cars are parked sensibly elsewhere and that they do not block access for those who live in the vicinity of the school. Thank you for your assistance.

## **TERM DATES FOR SEPTEMBER 2019 to JULY 2020**

The term dates for September 2019 to July 2020 have now been determined and are included at the end of this newsletter. Parents should be aware that there is still one inset day to be allocated and we will ensure that parents are informed of this date once it is agreed.

## **WIRRAL F.U.S.S (Free uniform for secondary School)**

Wirral F.U.S.S distribute good quality recycled school uniform and PE kit free, without judgement of family circumstances, to parents around the Wirral. Their permanent shop-hub is now open at 3-5 Borough Pavement, The Pyramids, Birkenhead on Tuesday, Wednesdays and some Fridays from 10.30 am to 1.00 pm. Parents can also donate items for F.U.S.S and these can be brought into school and dropped off in the administration office. For more information, please visit [www.wirralfuss.co.uk](http://www.wirralfuss.co.uk).

## **EASYFUNDRAISING.ORG.UK**

To join please follow the simple steps below:-

1. **Head to [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/cggs](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/cggs) and join for free.**
2. **Every time you shop online, simply go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and then start shopping. The donation reminder will remind you.**
3. **After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to Calday Grange Grammar School for no extra cost whatsoever!**

We will use any income from easyfundraising to help support and develop sport, extracurricular activities and student enrichment. Download the App and/or install the [donation reminder](#) on your web browser. There are no catches or hidden charges, it won't cost you a penny extra so please help us to raise funds. Thank you for your support.

## **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. We would be grateful if you could take the opportunity to visit [www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk](http://www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk) to complete the short questionnaire.

**Please see following pages for:-**

Term dates for September 2019 to July 2020



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## Term dates for September 2019 to July 2020

<b>AUTUMN TERM 2019</b>	
Staff Development Day	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2019 (school closed to students)
School reopens for Y7 and L6 students only	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2019
School reopens for all students	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2019
Staff Development Day	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> September 2019 (school closed to students)
School closes for half-term at the end of	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2019
<b>HALF-TERM: Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2019</b>	
School reopens for all students	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2019
School closes for Christmas break	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2019
<b>Christmas Break: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2019 to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2020</b>	
<b>SPRING TERM 2020</b>	
School reopens for all students	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2020
School closes for half-term at the end of	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
<b>HALF-TERM: Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2020</b>	
School reopens for all students	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
School closes for Easter break at the end of	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2020
<b>EASTER BREAK: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2020 to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2020</b>	
<b>SUMMER TERM 2020</b>	
Staff Development Day	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2020 (school closed to students)
School reopens for all students	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2020
May Bank Holiday (school closed)	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2020
School closes for half-term at the end of	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2020
<b>HALF-TERM: Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2020</b>	
School reopens for all students	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2020
School closes for Summer break at the end of	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2020

**Please note that there is still one inset day to be allocated**