



Dear Parents

A brief newsletter today. Examinations have started and all students involved have shown a positive attitude.

I am pleased to see education is featuring strongly in the education manifestos. Please take any opportunity you can to raise this issue with any political canvassers or candidates you may encounter before the election.

We are close now to moving to a cashless school, the proposed date is 5th June. Please can any remaining parents activate their ParentPay account.

Regards

Thomas Rothwell  
Principal

May Holidays:  
School Closes Friday 26th May  
School Re-Opens Monday 5th June (wk1)

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**SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST**

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## Cashless School

**The cash loaders in school will stop working soon, it is important that you set up your ParentPay account and top up online.** Activation details have been emailed and texted to those parents who are still not live on the system.

- ◆ **If your child arrives in school asking for money to be added to his/her account, we will have to turn them away as we don't have change in school.**
- ◆ **Change is not kept in school so giving your child the correct change for lunch or bus fares is essential.**
- ◆ **Replacement Ties & Id Cards are available online.**
- ◆ One of the major reasons behind this move is the introduction of both the new £5 note released in September 2016 , the £1 coin which is now in circulation and a new £10 note which is due to be released in the summer.
- ◆ The cost of adapting the cash loaders is prohibitive and we would prefer to spend our finite resources on Teaching & Learning.
- ◆ Also the ParentPay system is both flexible and convenient and allows you to pay all of your child's trips etc. within the same transaction.
- ◆ Another useful facility available on ParentPay is the ability to add a second contact to your child's account, please email [contactus@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk](mailto:contactus@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk) providing us with the student's name along with the name and email address of the second contact.



## Y11 Morning Exam Revision Sessions

Revision sessions are available before morning exams with drink/toast provided.

Morning Sessions			
Date	Subject	Time	Room
Mon 22nd May	Eng Lit	7:45am	A201/A204
Tues 23rd May	Textiles	8am	Bistro
Wed 24th May	App Business	7:15am	B111
Thurs 25th May	Maths	7:45am	B111/A110
Fri 26th May	Eng Lit	7:45am	A201/A204
Mon 5 June	History	8am	E206
Tues 6 June	Eng Lang	7:45am	A201/A204
Wed 7 June	Anc History	8am	E206
Thurs 8 June	Maths	7:45am	B111/A110
Fri 9 June	Biology	8am	F125
Mon 12 June	Eng Lang	7:45am	A201/A204
Tues 13 June	Maths	7:45am	B111/A110
Wed 14 June	Chemistry	8am	F125
Thurs 15 June	Further Maths	7:45am	B111
Fri 16 June	Physics	8am	F125

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## SCHOOL FUNDING

You may be aware from stories in the local and national media that education faces significant funding issues over the next few years. I wish to reassure parents that my priority is always to ensure that resources are targeted at maximising the quality of teaching and learning for students in the classroom.

## Parent Governor

We have had a number of parents who have expressed an interest in the post. I will be discussing with each one the implications and expectations of the role. Following these discussions we will hold a ballot next half term should one be necessary.

I would like to thank those parents who have expressed an interest in supporting the work we are doing here in school.

Mr Rothwell

### KEY DATES

#### May

- 24th Y8 France Trip Meeting
- 25th Y13 Prom
- 26th School Closes 3pm Spring Bank Holiday
- 26th Y11 Start Study Leave

#### June

- 2nd Y10 Spanish Trip (2nd—6th)
- 5th School Re-Opens (Wk1)
- 7th Parent Forum Meeting
- 12th Friends Of Lightcliffe Meeting
- 15th Y8 Normandy Residential (15th—20th)
- 21st New Parents Evening (Y6) 7pm
- 29th Y11 Prom



Term Dates for this academic year can be viewed on the school website