

Dear Parents

General Letter Number 9

29th January 2016

As you can see it has been a very busy few weeks for the staff and students. Moving forward, Years 11, 12 and 13 are focusing on preparation for the external examinations which will soon be upon us.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 1st February - Year 13 Mock Exams Start

Tuesday 9th February - Battlefields Meeting 6pm

Monday 22nd February - TEACHER TRAINING DAY

Monday 29th February - PTA Meeting

Monday 16th May - GCSE and AS Level external examinations begin

Jake Haynes Karate Competition

Jake Haynes was chosen to represent his club "Halifax Sport Karate" for an international karate competition "The Milon Cup" in Luxembourg this weekend.

Jake won the bronze medal in the U16 -57kg weight category.



Careers Support for Year 11 Students at Lightcliffe Academy

At this time in Year 11 your son/daughter has important decisions to make about their post 16 options. As the Careers Advisers for Lightcliffe Academy we thought it would be helpful to keep you up to date about the support your son or daughter is receiving in school in making these decisions.

All Year 11 students have been offered or are currently being offered careers information, advice and guidance through an individual careers guidance appointment with a Careers Adviser.

The support we offer includes support to find and apply for the right post 16 course, help with finding and applying for jobs or apprenticeships and help with CVs, letters and interviews.

We are based in the careers room in school and one of us is usually available in school Tuesday to Friday. Parents are very welcome to come into school and meet with us if you feel this would help. If you would like to arrange an appointment or simply have a question, we can be contacted at careers@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk

Careers Advisers will continue to support your son or daughter throughout Year 11 and continue to do so until they are settled in further education, work or training. We are available to meet with students over the school holiday periods if needed at the Careers Centre in Halifax.

Finally we would like to make you aware that the school leaving date for young people in Year 11 who will be 16 years old by the end of the summer holidays is the last Friday in June – Friday 24th June 2016. Year 11 students must then stay in some form of education or training until their 18th birthday. The options students have are to:

- stay in full-time education, e.g. at 6th form or at a college
- start an apprenticeship or traineeship
- work or volunteer (for 20 hours or more a week) while in part-time education or training

Glyn Ellis, Lindsey Woodward and Suzanne Impagliazzo

Immunisations

Please can all Year 9 students return their Vaccination form by Monday 1st February.

Sainsburys Active Kids Vouchers

We are now collecting Vouchers, they are available from 27 January until 3rd May in all Sainsburys stores, can you please bring these into school. There is a collection box in the main entrance area.



PE Fixtures

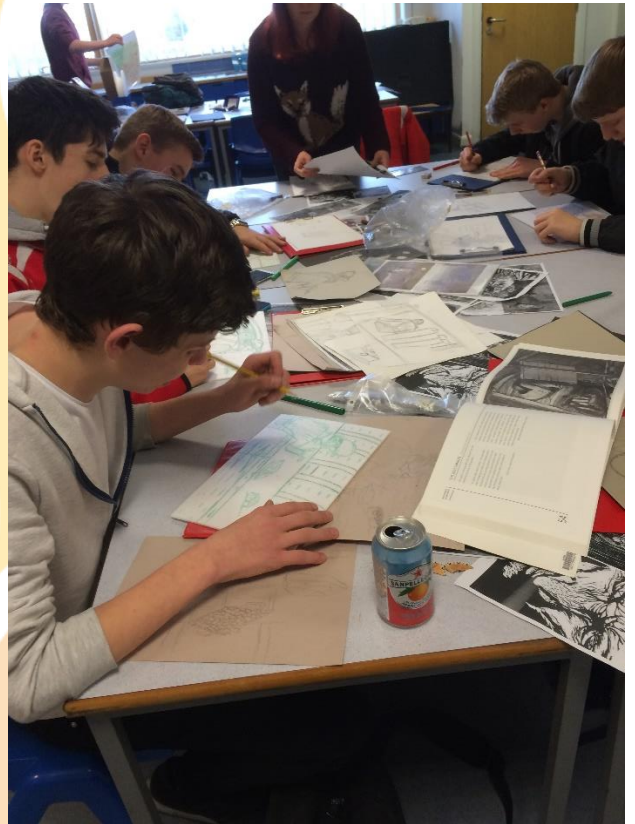
Up to date information for PE Fixtures, scores and successes will be posted on our Twitter page, please can parents and students follow us @lightcliffepe



@lightcliffepe

Year 11 National Coal Mining Museum Visit

On Monday the 11th of January a group of year 11 students went to the National Coal Mining Museum for the day. Whilst there the students had an underground tour and produced a series of sketches in the mine. Back on the surface the remainder of the day was spent producing two colour overlay prints based on their drawings. The students worked hard and had a really productive day.



PE Extra-Curricular Timetable

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1:20pm – 2:00pm	Gym		KS3 Boccia – LDD	KS4 Super 3's Football – AG & LB	KS3 Handball – SJC	Y9 & 10 Handball - JWW
	Sports Hall	Year 7 Netball – DH	KS4 5-a-side Football – AG	KS3 5-a-side Football – AAS	Badminton - AG	Basketball for All - GL
	Dance Studio	Fitness- LDD	Dance for ALL -KFK	Cheerleading for All - KFK		
	Fitness Suite	Fitness for All – GL		Girls Fitness Club – LDD		Girls Fitness Club - LDD
3:00 – 4:00pm	Gym	Girls Zumba - KFK		Cheerleading for All – KFK		Partnership Primary School Friday
	Sports Hall	KS3 Netball – REH			KS4 Netball – DH	
	Dance Studio				Dance for All – REH	
	Fitness Suite				Fitness Club for All Years - JWW	
	Astro/ Fields	All Boys Football – JWW, SJC, AG All Girls Football – AG & REH	All Girls Rugby (All PE Staff)	Girls Hockey - LDD	All Boys Rugby (All PE Staff)	

Vacancies

Exam Invigilators

£10.69 per hour (inc. casual workers holiday entitlement)

We seek to appoint Examination Invigilators to work throughout the academic year on a casual basis. Candidates must be available from early May for daily sessions of varying lengths starting at either 8am or 1pm.

Full details are available from the school website: www.lightcliffeacademy.co.uk

Or by email: admin@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk

Closing date for application: Wednesday 10th February.

The school is committed to the safeguarding and protection of children and young people and will undertake a series of pre-employment and safeguarding checks to assess your suitability to working in an environment where children and young people are present and receipt of proof of identification to ensure compliance with the Asylum and Immigration Act 2006. These checks will include (but are not limited to) an enhanced DBS check from the Disclosure & Barring Service, in addition to previous employment and personal references.

Year 8 France Trip 2017

We have planned an exciting, whole year, trip to Normandy, where students will experience French markets, World War II sites, The Bayeux Tapestry and Maritime Museum, whilst staying in a real French Chateau. All current Year 7 students will attending an assembly and bringing home a letter containing further information.

Many thanks for the continued support from parents and carers, it is very much appreciated.



Thomas Rothwell
Principal

