



DARTON COLLEGE

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**NEW BOOKS  
HAVE BEEN  
DELIVERED TO  
OUR LIBRARY!**



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## News from the Principal

It has been a long and busy week. As you are aware we were inspected by Ofsted on Wednesday and Thursday. Many thanks to parents, carers and learners who gave feedback and sent us messages of support. The report will be published within 6 weeks and parents and carers will be issued with a copy at this time.

We held interviews on Monday for a new Head of History. This new post is to replace Miss Sharples, who started her role as Assistant Principal here in September. We interviewed a strong group of people and we are delighted to have made a successful appointment. This post will commence in January.

We are pleased to have secured some funding as part of the Erasmus Project, which supports international exchange

projects for learners both at school and in higher education institutes. Our link for the project is based in Spain therefore, the funding will support exchange visits for learners in both Spain and Darton. We are currently developing more detailed plans and will communicate these in due course. We have a number of learners who have recognised sporting talent and I was thrilled to hear that we have another individual who joins this group. After only playing for 14 months, Hayden Sidlow has been invited into the player development pathway at Castleford Tigers Rugby League Club. This is an incredible achievement! It is always great to hear about learner successes and achievements beyond school - please don't hesitate to email them in:

[mail@dartoncollege.co.uk](mailto:mail@dartoncollege.co.uk)

Attendance since the beginning of September across the school is causing concern. Lateness however, has significantly improved and we are continuing to work with the bus companies about capacity on certain routes. Stagecoach are currently working with us to try to increase capacity to support the 488 bus picking up between Mapplewell and school in the mornings. We value your support with ensuring that your child/children arrive at school on time and attend every day. If you have any specific issues linked to absence and attendance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

I would like to remind you that next week is our last week in school before the half term break. Also, Monday 6th November is an INSET day. Learners return back to school on Tuesday 7th November.

I hope that you all have a super weekend.

**Ms Kate Davies**  
Principal

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**ALWAYS BE  
YOUR BEST SELF**



## FORTHCOMING PARENTS' EVENINGS

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**PARENTS' EVENING**  
**WEDNESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER**  
**4.30PM - 7.30PM**

Booking for teacher appointments opens on Thursday 26th October.

<https://dartoncollege.parentseveningsystem.co.uk>



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**PARENTS' EVENING**  
**WEDNESDAY 29TH NOVEMBER**  
**4.30PM - 7.30PM**

Booking for teacher appointments opens on Wednesday 15th November.

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## CLIP ON TIES

Several learners are loaning clip on ties from the main Admin/Finance Office on a daily basis. We would like to remind you that ties must be returned the following day or charges may be made to parents/carers.

## ARDÈCHE TRIP PAYMENT

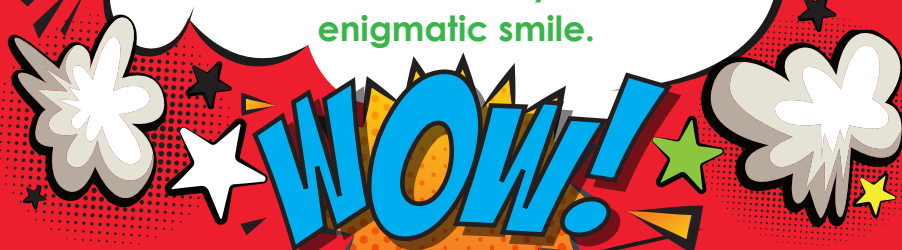
We would like to give a polite reminder to parents/carers that the next instalment of £100 is due to be paid on Friday 27th October for the Ardèche Trip. Payments can be made by cheque or cash as well as via the schoolgateway system.

## WOW WORD OF THE WEEK

**ENIGMATIC** - (adjective)

Difficult to interpret or understand; mysterious...  
 puzzling, confusing, perplexing, mystifying

He took the money with an enigmatic smile.



WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE - 95.4%

## KEY DATES

**27TH OCTOBER 2017**  
 Break Up For Half Term

**6TH NOVEMBER 2017**  
 INSET Day

**8TH NOVEMBER 2017**  
 Year 11 Revision Evening

**10TH NOVEMBER 2017**  
 Drop Down Day

**13TH - 24TH NOVEMBER 2017**  
 Year 11 Mock Examinations

**15TH NOVEMBER 2017**  
 Year 9 Parents' / Options Evening

**22ND NOVEMBER 2017**  
 Year 11 Celebration Evening

**29TH NOVEMBER 2017**  
 Year 8 Parents' Evening

**22ND DECEMBER 2017**  
 Break Up For Christmas

**27TH JUNE 2018**  
 Year 11 Prom

## LEARNER EXPECTATIONS

**BE PREPARED TO LEARN AT 9.00AM**  
 LEARNERS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO LEAVE THEIR LESSONS DURING THE FIRST OR THE LAST 10 MINUTES

**ARRIVE FULLY EQUIPPED** | **REMOVE BAGS & COATS**

**EARPHONES & PHONES TO BE OFF & OUT OF SIGHT**

**NO FOOD** | **NO REFILLS ALLOWED**  
 WATER ONLY IN THE CLASSROOM

**KEEP CALM** | **WORK**  
 TO BE PRESENTED WELL AT ALL TIMES

**BE POLITE & RESPECTFUL** | **AIM HIGH**



**REWARDS ASSEMBLIES**  
**MONDAY 23RD OCTOBER TO**  
**FRIDAY 27TH OCTOBER**

