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News from the Principal

Despite only having 4 days in school last week due to the bank holiday weekend, it certainly was a busy one. We had a number of visitors in school who worked with learners about online safety and anti bullying. Year groups 8 and 9 spent Friday morning with rock band, 'Beyond Recall', who performed some of their music followed by a workshop covering online safety and anti-bullying.

This weekend, our Year 10 GCSE PE learners went on a residential to Caythorpe Court Adventure Centre to support their coursework. They took part in a range of activities which included rock climbing and kayaking. Many thanks to all staff who gave up their weekend to support. Attendance rates across school have

continued to improve. Well done to Year 10 in particular. There has been significant improvements in this year group over the last few weeks. Keep it up!

A number of parents and carers have recently contacted us about parent information evenings with our academy sponsors, Delta Multi Academy Trust. I am aware that rumours are circulating about changes to the school day and uniform. I can confirm that there has been no decisions made regarding any of these issues. I am meeting with representatives from Delta this week to confirm the parent information evening dates and will communicate these as soon as they are scheduled in the calendar. Many thanks for your patience and understanding as we move through this transition period.

Good luck to all of our Primary feeder schools and Year 6 learners who start their SATs today. I am sure that you will all be brilliant!

A number of letters regarding some Year 6 transition visit days will be going out this week to all Year 6 learners. We certainly look forward to meeting everyone prior to children starting at Darton College in September.

The GCSE exam season commences today for our Year 11's. Should any parents and carers have concerns regarding their child arriving at school on time, please call us as soon as possible to discuss any concerns. Revision sessions are planned prior to particular exams starting. In addition, Mrs Bennett and the Kitchen staff team will also be providing complimentary breakfast to learners who have morning exams.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all Year 11 a huge GOOD LUCK throughout this period. Learners have remained brilliantly focused to date. I am sure that this will continue throughout the coming weeks.

Ms Kate Davies
Principal

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YOYO AWARDS EVENT

Learners who had previously been involved in the YoYo Workshop, organised by the South Yorkshire Police Crimes Commissioner in conjunction with Hallam FM and the Bauer Media Group, were invited to a special awards event last week. There was a celebration of all of the podcasts that they had made about alcohol awareness and they also had the opportunity to visit Hallam FM studios.



SPANISH EXCHANGE

Ms Borges and a team of learners who are going on the Spanish Exchange have recorded a special video to send over to Spain. They have also completed some postcards with messages for their peers. Learners, parents and carers have now been given packing lists and the predicted weather forecasts! Not long to go! How exciting!

BELGIUM BATTLEFIELDS TRIP

Hoodies have arrived and have been handed out to learners for the Belgium Battlefields trip. Learners who have not yet brought in passports and EHIC are required to do so as soon as possible. Mr Guy advises learners to order their euros and also would like to remind parents and carers to follow the [@DartonYpres2018](#) twitter feed for regular trip updates. Retweets will also feature on our school website for anyone to view who is not on social media.

YEAR 11 TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHS

The Year 11 individual photographs order will be processed today, Monday 14th May. In addition, the whole year group 'standard' and 'fun' photographs are now available to view online on the Tempest website. Letters have been emailed home with the school log in to access the image. Should parents and carers wish to place an order, please send in the correct money and completed order slip to the Admin/Finance office no later than **Wednesday 16th May**. Thank you.

YEAR 11 GCSE EXAMINATIONS COMMENCE: MON 14TH MAY 2018

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE WK ENDING 4TH MAY - 94.60%

KEY DATES

25TH MAY 2018
Break up for Spring Bank

4TH JUNE 2018
Return to School

27TH JUNE 2018
Year 11 Prom

5TH JULY 2018 - 6.00PM - 7.00PM
Year 6 Transition Evening - New Date

20TH JULY 2018
Break up for Summer

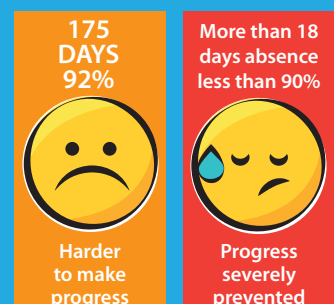
23RD JULY 2018
Inset Day

A SHOUT OUT FROM MRS BRIGGS

Mrs Briggs would like to give a special mention to her 10X for their super C7 assessment results. The class have showed some great learning and excellent progress has been noted. She is extremely proud!

**REWARDS ASSEMBLIES:
MON 21ST - FRI 25TH MAY 2018**

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



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