



Woodkirk Academy
&
The Sixth Form @ Woodkirk Academy

E-Newsletter

Date: 12 July 2019

Dear Parents

Summer Challenge Projects 2019

As part of our continued emphasis on challenge and developing resilience for all our young learners, we have a number of Summer Challenge projects for our current **Year 7** and **Year 8** students. The projects have been designed so anyone can get involved. Students can bring in their completed projects in September and these will then be shared and celebrated with their peers and teaching staff. There will be recognition and rewards for the best projects. It is hoped they will keep your son/daughter engaged in and enthused by learning, ready for the next school year. You can find the projects on our website – www.woodkirkacademy.co.uk – in the Student section or [click here](#)

Progress Reports for Assessment Point 4

Progress reports for Years 7 to 10 and Year 12 are now available to view – please [click here](#).

Last day of term - Friday 19 July 2019

Please note that school will be fully closed to students by **1.30pm** on **Friday 19 July**. In order to allow for a smoother finish, each year group will be dismissed by their Form Tutor at:

1.10pm - Year 7;
1.15pm - Year 8;
1.20pm - Year 9;
1.25pm - Year 10.

Sixth Form students are free to leave from 12.25pm.

Lunch will be served from 12.25pm for all students. **It has now been confirmed that unfortunately there will be no school buses at all which collect from the Academy,** although normal service buses will still be available. Thank you in advance



Start of the new School Year

School re-opens for students on **Wednesday 4 September 2019**

8.30am - Year 7

9.30am - Year 12 Induction Day

10.50am – Years 8 to 11 & 13

Training Days 2019/2020

Confirmed Training Days for the academic year 2019/20 are:

Monday 2 September 2019

Tuesday 3 September 2019

Monday 18 November 2019

Friday 14 February 2020

Monday 20 July 2020

Parents' Uniform Surgery

Mr Cook invites parents of all students to attend our 'Uniform Surgery' in preparation for next year. You are welcome to bring in any newly purchased items of uniform, with tags still on, to check they follow the Woodkirk guidelines and we will be happy to answer any questions you may have about our school uniform.

The final session will take place on Tuesday 16 July, **3pm-4pm**.

We will also be running our 'Uniform Surgery' on Monday 2 and Tuesday 3 September at 3pm.

On-line Safety

It is still apparent some of our students are attached to unknown people via social networks, even when their account settings are private. For example, a number of students have accounts set to 'private' on Instagram but already have multiple 'followers' or are 'following' multiple people and they have no idea who they are. The problem is very similar with Snapchat and Facebook in particular.

Far too often, young people accept social media contact from strangers, which allows for contact via text chat and live streaming. In some instances, this leads to inappropriate images being requested or actually received and sent.

It is important to discuss the APPS your son/daughter use via phones or other devices. Please also discuss settings and people who they allow to have access to them via their accounts.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Mr D Currie

Vice Principal – Behaviour and Safety

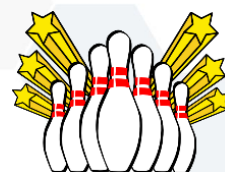




School Holiday Activities

Please [click here](#) for details of the Outer South School Holiday programme which includes activities such as swimming, bowling, ice skating, paintballing and theme park trips.

The booking line number is **0113 3788539** and will open on **Monday 15 July 2019** at midday, (please note calls before this date / time will not be actioned).



The Market Place



**CHANGES AT THE MARKET PLACE
(LEEDS)**

**FROM 1ST JULY 2019 WE ARE
EXTENDING OUR AGE RANGE SO THAT
OUR COUNSELLING SERVICES WILL
ALSO BE AVAILABLE FOR 11 AND 12
YEAR OLDS!**

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO KNOW MORE CALL US ON 0113 246
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Mental Health Support



For safe and reliable advice about young people's mental health, created by experts and parents together, please check of the MindEd website by [clicking here](#).

Free family cycling festival

Free family cycling festival to return to Leeds in September

British Cycling and HSBC UK have announced that they will be returning to be Leeds in September following the success of last year's free, family cycling event.

[Click here](#) for more information on their website.



West Ardsley and Tingley Uniform Clothing Bank

Saturday 3 August 10am - 2pm
Tingley Methodist Church
Westerton Road, Next to Westerton Primary Academy.

If you have any Woodkirk Academy uniform items - trousers, skirts, shirts, sports kit - your son/daughter has outgrown, and they are still in good condition, the West Ardsley and Tingley Uniform Clothing Bank would welcome your donation. School bags will also be gratefully received, together with items from Blackgates, Hill Top and Westerton Primary Academies.



- Syke Fish and Chip shop.
- Westerton Primary Academy
- Woodkirk Academy
- West Ardsley Little Free Library , 138 Haigh Moor Road

All are welcome on 3 August to choose any items, at no charge

Tea and coffee will be available to buy on the day with a selection of cakes.
The proceeds from this will go towards a new church floor.

Design Technology: Left Items

A reminder for all students to visit the DT rooms and double check that they have not left anything over this year. All items (tupperware, bags etc.) will be displayed on the side in R10 and R11 until 2pm on the last Friday of term, after that it will all be disposed of.

MY Ed

The **MY Ed** app is an excellent method of communication between school and home. It will allow you to check information about the Academy, attendance of your child, his/her timetable, and positive referrals will be 'pushed' to your phone. In addition, you will be able to communicate directly with the Attendance Team for free. Please download this free app and check out the 'News' page of the Academy's website for an information video: [NEWS](#) - [CLICK](#)





Weekly Events

Week commencing Monday 15 July 2019

Music Residential – Saturday 13 – Friday 19 July

DofE Gold Expedition – Sunday 14 – Wednesday 17 July

Monday 15	Tuesday 16	Wednesday 17	Thursday 18	Friday 19
Staff meeting 3pm Students are asked to check extra-curricular activities.	Detention 3pm in the Main Hall	Herd Farm trip – selected students	Trip to Leeds Curtins – selected Year 8 students Sixth Form Council meeting with the Principal Detention 3pm in the Main Hall	Non Uniform Day Rewards Breakfast Music residential returns School will be fully closed to students by 1.30pm

