



Communication

A message from the Executive Principal

Dear Parent/Carers

Last night was our Year 11 Presentation evening and it was such a delight to welcome so many parents, carers and relatives to applaud the success of last years Year 11. What a fantastic opportunity to celebrate the success of Highfield students in wonderful surroundings. The performance by our dance troupe and our gifted pianist was inspiring and the audience truly appreciated such talent. We welcomed Mrs Lisa Crausby, the Director of Education for Star academies as our guest speaker and Mr Paul Fearnley as our Chair of Governors. To spend time speaking to ex-pupils was a delight, just seeing that they had achieved in their GCSE's and were now taking up the pathways that they always wished to.

A wonderful evening!

My thanks go to Mrs Dodgson for her detailed and thorough organisation of the evening.

On Monday 26th November Mr Hooper, Mrs Marsden, Mrs Cartmell, Mrs Benson and Mr Lang attended the Blackpool Gazette Education Awards evening and we were highly-commended. This commendation is well received as Highfield has also been recognised as the Careers Hub for Blackpool and endorsed by the DfE.

Please note that next week we really begin our push on our winter giving programme and will be looking for food donations for Blackpool Food Partnership.

I do hope you all have a good weekend with plenty of festive shopping no doubt! At my coffee morning next Friday 9.30 – 10.30 I am sure there will be Mince Pie or two.

With kind regards

Mrs Helen Mackenzie OBE

Important Notices

• Forthcoming Events

Friday 7th December – The Community Tree Lights Switch on Event 4.30-6.30pm at the Old Library Community Centre

Monday 10th December – Winter Warmth Collection supporting StreetLife

Thursday 13th December 6.00-7.00pm – Carol Service at St Mary's Church

Thursday 20th December 11.45am-1.15pm – Christmas Tea Party at the Academy for the elderly and local community groups

Parent Evening Dates

Please note the following dates for forthcoming parent's evenings so that you can update your calendars!

Year 11 Parents evening Thursday 17th January 4.00-7.00pm

Year 10 Parents evening Thursday 24th January 4.00-7.00pm

Year 9 Parents evening Thursday 7th February 4.00-7.00pm

Year 8 Parents evening Thursday 28th February 4.00-7.00pm

Year 7 Parents evening Thursday 9th May 4.00-7.00pm

- **Festive Winter Gift Programme**

Please see the attached letter with details of all the events and activities that will bring our community together in acts of kindness and charitable giving.

- **Young Enterprise**

On Friday, Young Enterprise will be working with our year 9 pupils as part of their drop down day. The theme will be 'Skills and Attitudes': *Students will be made aware of the skills and attitudes needed for college/University and work and given an opportunity to evidence these skills and begin thinking about using a language a future employer may relate to*

- **Visit from Sixth Form**

Lytham Sixth will be in our year 11 common room on Thursday lunchtime to talk to year 11 pupils about opportunities for next year.

- **Alumni News**

James is a former pupil at Highfield



UK Snooker Championship: Mark Selby beaten by amateur James Cahill in round one

2018/19 Term Dates and Holidays

21 DEC	Academy closes for the Christmas Break at 12.30pm
7 JAN	Academy open for all pupils
15 FEB	Academy closes for half term
25 FEB	Academy open for all pupils
5 APR	Academy closes for the Easter Break
23 APR	Academy open for all pupils

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