



**Save the date – Christmas Concert – Thurs 21/12/23, 6.00 – 7.00**

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24th November, 2023

#### Up & coming dates

Progress Evening for Year 11 – 30/11/2023

**School Closed – INSET Day – 01/12/2023**

Flu Vaccination closing date

SEND Forum - 07/12/2023 at 4pm

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Please don't forget that school is closed to all on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December for an inset day.**

**THS Instagram!** Todmorden High School now has an Instagram account to capture the day to day activities of life at THS! If you have an account, we would love for you to follow us (Todmorden\_high). It will be a lovely opportunity for you to see what takes place each week.

On Thursday 30th November 2023 there will be a Progress Evening for year 11. This will be a virtual event run through SchoolCloud. Parents and carers of students in year 11 should now have received a letter about this with all the information. If you have not received this letter or are having issues logging on please contact Mrs Stansfield on [e.stansfield@todhigh.co.uk](mailto:e.stansfield@todhigh.co.uk)

Can we remind parents to park safely and considerately around the local area please? Particularly the Hunters Lane area where double double parking and parking on double yellow lines seems to be happening. Our students and members of the public's safety is paramount and we ask parents to park legally and considerately please.

Well done to all who entered this year's Christmas Tree Festival at the Hippodrome. We are very proud of our THS entry! The event was a great success, and we send our congratulations to Castle Hill for decorating the winning Christmas Tree! Our community effort has meant a donation of £455 will go to Age Concern Todmorden and a number of £25 of donations to other charities.

**Nasal Flu vaccinations** are taking place 05/12/2023 for the whole school. An announcement was sent on ClassCharts on Tuesday 24.10.23 with an attached letter and a link for parents to complete. The closing date is Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December. Please submit one form per child.

Don't forget our **2023 Christmas raffle** is now OPEN too! Tickets for this super prize are just 50p. Students can buy tickets from their form tutors. All the funds raised go to supporting our Festive food drive, which aims to provide help for local families at Christmas. Please, if you are able, do support this good cause. The draw takes place on 29th November! Good luck!

Please be aware that due to the growing number of birds around the school, from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December, all children will be eating their lunch and snacks inside. We are also reminding children that no chewing gum is allowed on the school site.

Miss Cooper and Mrs Pitchforth will be hosting an **SEND Forum online** on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 4pm. This will be via an appointment system. More information will be available soon. This will be an opportunity to hear the school's strategy to supporting students with SEND needs in school. As SEND can be highly personal and confidential this will not

be an opportunity to ask questions relating to individual needs. If after the session you would like to arrange to speak to a member of the SEND team regarding your child's needs and the information shared you should contact school to arrange this.

The latest copy of our **extra-curricular timetable** is here! If your child would like to join, encourage them to speak to the member of staff in charge.

Todmorden High School extra-curricular timetable				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p><b>All clubs finish by 4pm unless stated otherwise</b></p>	<p><b>KS3 Art Club</b> Miss Webster Room 46</p>	<p><b>KS3 Crafts Club</b> Miss Wells Room 48</p>	<p><b>Magic Club</b> Mr Charles Room 13</p>	<p><b>Steel Pan Club</b> <b>All Years</b> Miss Brockman Stage (school hall)</p>
	<p><b>Design &amp; Technology Club</b> <b>All Year groups welcome</b> Mrs Hartley Room 25 &amp; 26</p>	<p><b>English Speaking Board</b> <b>Invitation only</b> Mrs Kewin Room 90</p>	<p><b>KS3 Cricket Club</b> Mr Duerden Gym</p>	
	<p><b>Coursework catch up</b> Mrs Lambert</p>	<p><b>M4M Fantasy Orchestra</b> Miss Brockman School Hall</p>		
	<p><b>KS3 Basketball</b> Mr Duerden Gym</p>	<p><b>Y11 EPR Drop In</b> Mr Womack Room 47</p>		
	<p><b>KS4 Art/Photography Club</b> Mr Freeman Room 45</p>	<p><b>Year 7 &amp; 8 Code Club</b> Mr McDermott Room 21</p>		
	<p><b>Geography Film Club</b> <b>All years welcome</b> Miss Kinlin Room 15</p>	<p><b>KS3 Science Club</b> Miss Smith Room 41</p>		
	<p><b>Drama Club (All Years)</b> Miss Daubney Drama Studio</p>	<p><b>Year 7&amp;8 Girls Football</b> <b>Mrs Lambert</b></p>		
	<p><b>Rock Band</b> Miss Brockman Music Room</p>	<p><b>Girls' Netball Club</b> <b>All Years</b> Miss Creighton</p>		

**Other opportunities:**  
 Home Learning Club in the Library  
 Every night after school until 4.00pm  
 \*Y9/10/11 – Duke of Edinburgh Award.  
 See Miss Mullarkey for details

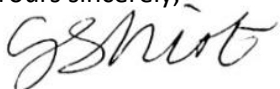
Planning ahead – On 13th Dec 23 please note that we will not be serving a roast dinner. We will however be serving an alternative main meal, complete with a veggie option as usual.

As the season is changing, there are a number of students coming into school wearing leggings. Our uniform policy is available on our website, with plain tailored trousers, full length (at least to the ankle) being acceptable. *No leggings, jeans, tracksuit bottoms or jersey fabrics are allowed.* Thank you for your assistance on this.

Congratulations to seven of our previous pupils: Will, Mads, Thea, Finn, Gracie, Isaac and Remy who have been awarded the **2023 Awards for Excellence by Rochdale Sixth Form College** for demonstrating resilience, drive, and determination. Please see the photos at the end of this newsletter.

Reminder: On Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December, there is an 'ARCH extra' day calendared for all students.

As always if you have any concerns or wish to speak with a member of staff please get in touch with us via the website, by emailing reception at [admin@todhigh.co.uk](mailto:admin@todhigh.co.uk) or by calling school Monday-Friday between the hours of 8-4pm.

Yours sincerely,  


Gill Shirt  
 Headteacher

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### WILL STAFFORD

<b>COURSES:</b>	<b>RESULTS:</b>
Economics	B
Geography	A
PE	B

**DESTINATION:**  
Newcastle University -  
Marketing and Management

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### MADS LOWERSON-CLARKE

<b>COURSES:</b>	<b>RESULTS:</b>
Biology	B
Geography	A*
PE	B

**DESTINATION:**  
University of Nottingham -  
Geography

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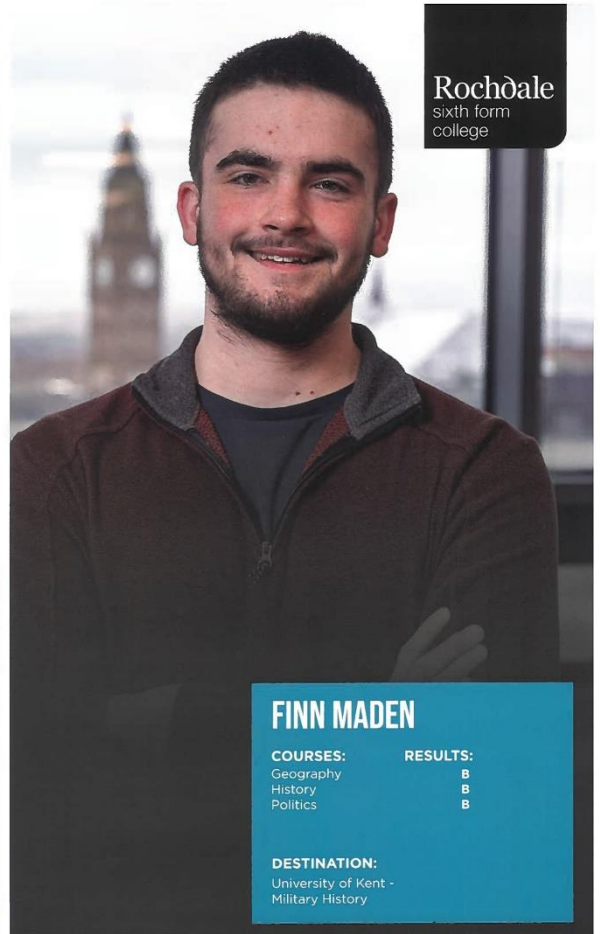
### THEA CROWTHER

<b>COURSES:</b>	<b>RESULTS:</b>
Drama & Theatre	A*
Politics	A
Psychology	A

**DESTINATION:**  
University of Warwick -  
Theatre and Performance Studies

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### FINN MADEN

<b>COURSES:</b>	<b>RESULTS:</b>
Geography	B
History	B
Politics	B

**DESTINATION:**  
University of Kent -  
Military History



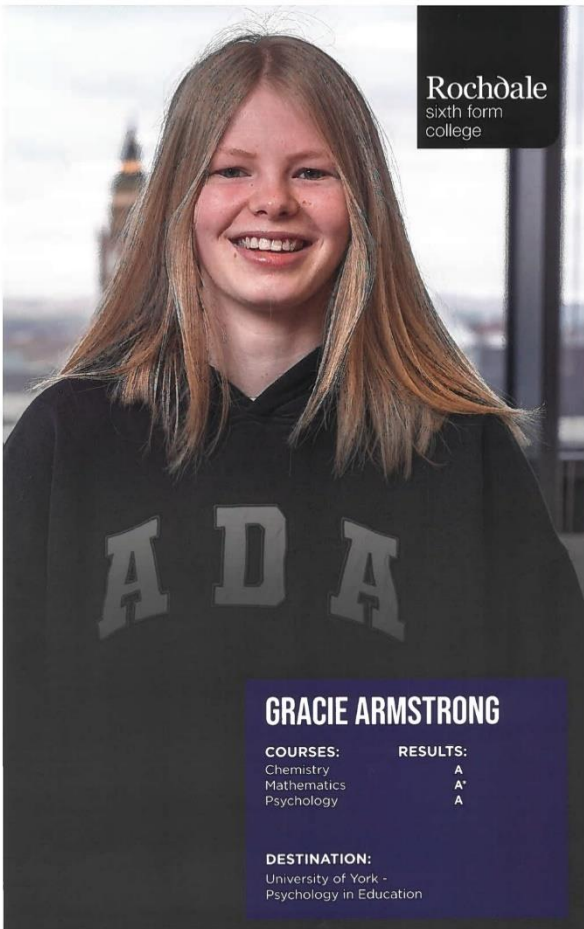


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**ISAAC SEWELL**

<b>COURSES:</b>	<b>RESULTS:</b>
Biology	A
Geography	A
PE	A

**DESTINATION:**  
The University of Manchester -  
Medical Physiology

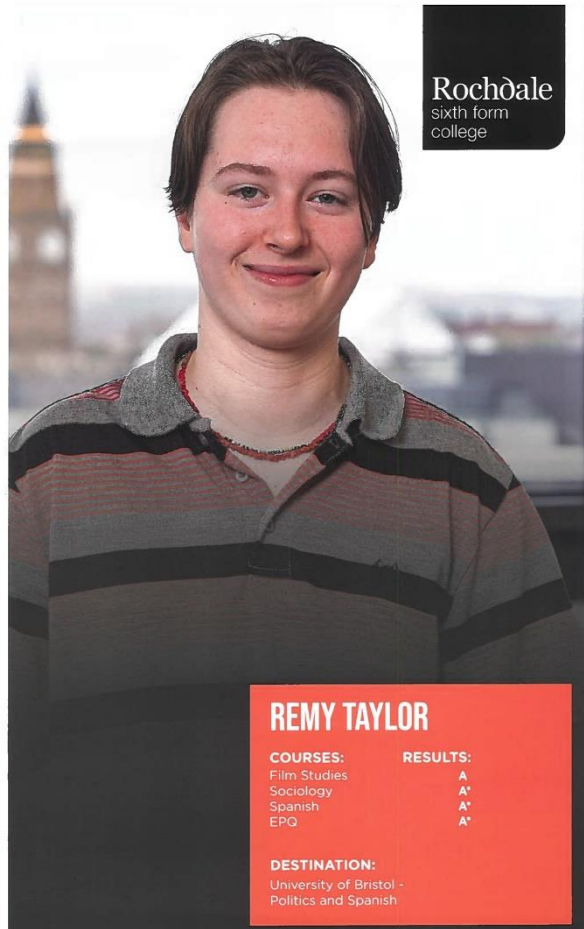


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**GRACIE ARMSTRONG**

<b>COURSES:</b>	<b>RESULTS:</b>
Chemistry	A
Mathematics	A*
Psychology	A

**DESTINATION:**  
University of York -  
Psychology in Education



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**REMY TAYLOR**

<b>COURSES:</b>	<b>RESULTS:</b>
Film Studies	A
Sociology	A*
Spanish	A*
EPQ	A*

**DESTINATION:**  
University of Bristol -  
Politics and Spanish



**Todmorden Hippodrome**



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Thank you to everyone who supported our Christmas Tree Festival on Saturday. We're delighted to announce that the winning tree was decorated by Castle Hill Primary School to raise funds for [Age Concern Todmorden](#). Thanks to your generosity, they'll receive a donation of £455 🥳🎄 We're also able to make a donation of £25 to all the other incredible charities being supported by the decorated trees so we really can share the kindness.



# Festive Food Drive

Please support the neediest families in our community by donating festive food items, if you can. Bring donations to your form room and hand them in to your tutor. The Student Leaders will collect from there. Festive food items might be:

- Boxes of biscuits
- Festive cakes
- Sweets or chocolates
- Sharing bags of crisps or snacks
- Mince pies

Once collected, these festive foods will be made up into hampers for our neediest families, so they can enjoy Christmas too. This care for others lies at the heart of our ARCH values. The deadline for donations is the morning of Monday 18th December 2023. Thank you for your support!

