



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

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September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**Up & coming dates**

Remembrance Parade - 12/11/2023  
 Revision Forum - 16.11.2023 at 5pm  
 Book Festival Author Visits in School - 20/11/2023  
 SEND Forum - 07/12/2023 at 4pm  
**School Closed – INSET Day – 01/12/2023**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We will be once again taking part in the **Remembrance Sunday Parade** on Sunday 12th November. If any student would like to join us, we will be meeting by the bowling greens at 10.45am; the student leaders will be there. There will also be a two-minute silence and the last post will be played at 11 am on Friday 10th November. We will also lay a wreath at the front of Whirlaw.



A big well done to the **U14s girls' football team** who represented THS at the Calderdale competition. All the girls were a credit to the school and both teams performed exceptionally well. A big thank you to Miss Townend and Mr Booth for taking them and Mrs Sutcliffe for driving the minibus.

Congratulations to Todmorden Dark Blue who won the tournament overall and are Calderdale champions. See the results below. The girls involved were as follows: Lilly Askins, Charlotte Beresford, Isabelle Berry, Connie Halstead, Freya Heys, Dessie Holland, Aamilah Hussain, Maisie Ives, Ava Marrow, Emily Ogden, Hannah Ogden, Charlie Tillotson, Georgia Watt, Phoebe Williams, Olivia Woodfin.

**Standings**

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
Todmorden Dark Blue	5	5	0	0	12	0	12	15
Calder High	5	3	0	2	10	3	7	11
Trinity Academy Halifax Gold	4	3	0	1	6	2	4	10
Trinity Academy Halifax Green	5	2	0	3	7	10	-3	9
Todmorden Sky Blue	4	0	0	4	0	12	-12	4
Lightcliffe	3	0	0	3	1	9	-8	3

A reminder that **chewing gum** is not allowed in school. Please could you pass this reminder on to your child as chewing gum will be confiscated if it is brought into school. Thank you!

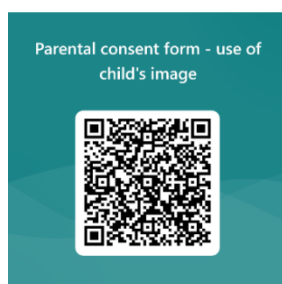
The weather is worsening as we head toward Winter. Please ensure that you send your child to school in a **waterproof, warm coat** and it would be advisable to put any paper documents (such as the essential knowledge book or exercise books) in a plastic bag inside your child's rucksack to avoid them becoming wet through. A reminder that students should not attend wearing **hoodies** as these are not part of our school uniform rules.

Take a look at our **Extra Curricular Timetable!** Clubs and activities are a good way to learn or practise new skills and to make friends. Hobbies and interests are great for your mental health and make you more employable when it

comes to looking for work. What's not to like about that? 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
English Speaking Board Invitation only Mrs Kewin Room 90	KS3 Art Club Miss Webster Room 46	KS3 Crafts Club Miss Wells Room 48	Magic Club Mr Charles Room 13	Steel Pan Club All Years Miss Brockman Stage (school hall)
All clubs finish by 4pm unless stated otherwise	Design & Technology Club All Year groups welcome Mrs Hartley Room 25 & 26	M4M Fantasy Orchestra Miss Brockman School Hall	Girls' Netball Club All Years Netball Courts Miss Creighton	
	Girls' and Boys' Football Clubs Boys Years 7 & 8, Girls All Years Mr Duerden/ Mr Bramhall/ Mr Morton/ Mrs Lambert	English Speaking Board Invitation only Mrs Kewin Room 90		
	KS4 Art/Photography Club Mr Freeman Room 45	Y11 EPR Drop In (Starts October) Mr Womack Room 47		
	Geography Film Club All years welcome Miss Kinlin Room 15	Year 7 & 8 Code Club Mr McDermott Room 21		
	Drama Club (All Years) Miss Daubney Drama Studio	Y7 & 8 Science Club Mrs Ashley/Miss Smith Room 38 limited places by invitation		
	Rock Band Miss Brockman Music Room	Year 9 & 10 Boys' Football Mr Duerden/Mr Smith Field		

**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



We love to celebrate our students' successes in school. It is important that we have consent to use photographs of students. It is vital that you complete this document in full, selecting either yes or no option. Please click on the link below or use the QR code (left).

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The Y9 and Y11 first **Data Check Reports** will be coming home soon. Below is the schedule for when to expect these reports for all year groups.

Year group	Data Check Reports home	Dates
Year 7	DC1 Home	w/c 29/01/2024
	DC2 home	w/c 15/07/2024
Year 8	DC1 home	w/c 29/01/2024
	DC2 home	w/c 15/07/2024
Year 9	DC1 home	w/c 27/11/2023
	DC2 home	w/c 15/07/2024
Year 10	DC1 home	w/c 29/01/2024
	DC2 home	w/c 15/07/2024
Year 11	DC1 Home	w/c 20/11/2023
	DC2 home	w/c 18/03/2024

Mr Nalborczyk will be hosting a **Revision Forum** on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 5.00 pm. This is a chance to find out more about how to support your child as they begin their revision journey for exams. To join, follow this link on the night <https://tinyurl.com/kwh4nett>

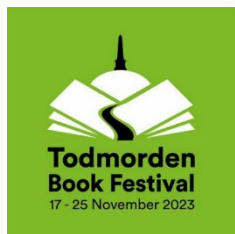
Miss Cooper and Mrs Pitchforth will be hosting an **SEND Forum online** on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 4pm. This will be via an appointment system. More information will be available soon.

This week sees the launch of our annual **Festive Food Drive** here at THS. Any family able to is asked to donate festive food items. These can be given in via form tutors each morning. These will be made up into hampers at the end of term, and given to our most needy families in our community, so that all can enjoy the festive season. A poster is attached which will be distributed to all classrooms. The appeal will close on Monday 18th December 2023. please do consider making a donation to this very worthy cause if you can. Thank you in anticipation of your generous support. Melissa Wells

Nelson and Colne College - would like to invite you and your families and pupils to come along to the annual **Festive Market** at NCC on Sat 25/11. There are also a few stalls left too if you know of anyone that would like to run a stall (£30 fee for stall) For more info - click on the link below!

[Festive Market Info & Sign up link. NCC](#)

**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. Please can you do this as soon as possible, Thank you!



It's **Todmorden Book Festival** this month - there are several well-known and highly-renowned authors taking part in the festival, including Adele Parks, Mick Herron, Joelle Taylor and Linda Green. The programme also includes a visit to Todmorden High by authors Melvin Burgess and Pete Kalu, who will be speaking to year 9 about their work. You can check out the programme and book tickets at [2023 Programme - Todmorden Book Festival](#) or students can pick up a programme from Mrs Brown at the library if they have not already been given one. We have been given a discount code for half-price Adele Parks' tickets (use APDISC50 at checkout) and u18s go free - making it a great night out for all ages.

Our congratulations goes out to 4 of our previous pupils, Izzuddeen, Persephone, Ruby, and Josie, who have been awarded the **2023 Awards for Excellence** for demonstrating resilience, drive and determination by Burnley College!

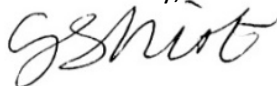
And finally, our **2023 Christmas raffle** has opened. Tickets for this super prize are just 50p. Students can buy tickets from their form tutors. All the funds raised go to supporting our Festive food drive, which aims to provide help for local families at Christmas. Please, if you are able, do support this good cause. The draw takes place on 29th November!



Good luck!

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



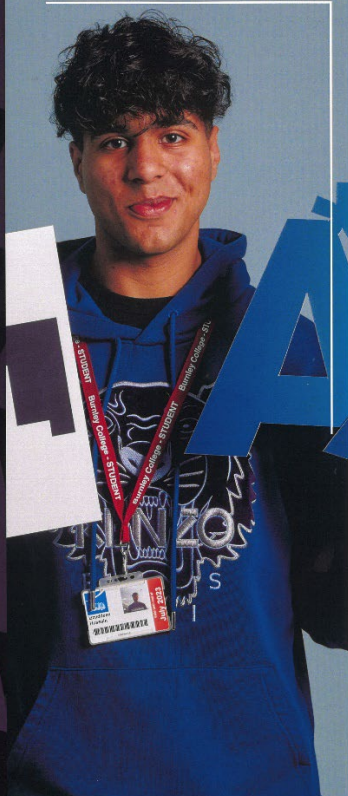
Sixth Form Centre

**A LEVEL  
AWARD WINNER  
IZZUDEEN  
HUSSAIN**

Former pupil at  
Todmorden High School

Achieved A\* A A in  
A Level History, Politics and  
English Literature.

Progressing to the University  
College London to read Politics  
and International Relations.



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EXCELLENCE  
2023**



Sixth Form Centre

**VOCATIONAL  
AWARD WINNER  
JOSIE  
TROY**

Former pupil at  
Todmorden High School

Achieved triple Distinction\*  
in their Extended Diploma in  
Business

Progressing to Manchester  
Metropolitan University to  
read Fashion and Business  
Management.



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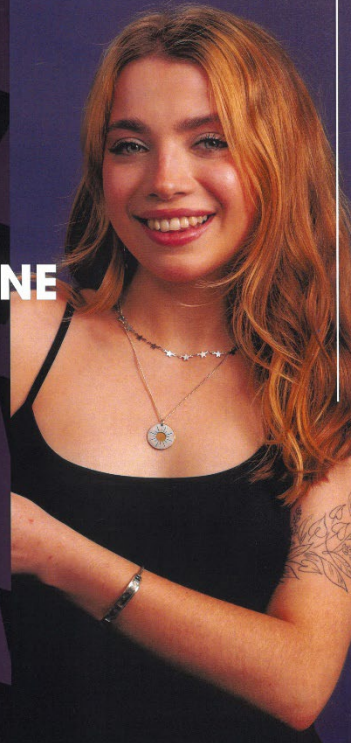
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**A LEVEL  
AWARD WINNER  
PERSEPHONE  
JAFRATE**

Former pupil at  
Todmorden High School

Achieved A\* A B in  
A Level Sociology, Religious  
Studies and English Literature.

Progressing to the University of  
Bristol to read Sociology.



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**VOCATIONAL  
AWARD WINNER  
RUBY  
MARSHALL**

Former pupil at  
Todmorden High School

Achieved triple Distinction in  
their Advanced Level Diploma  
in Environmental Studies and  
Countryside Management

Progressing to Liverpool  
Hope University to read  
Ecology and Environmental  
Management.



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# 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!





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# FESTIVE MARKET

SATURDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 10AM-2PM

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