



30th November 2023

Welcome to our new look newsletter.

Each week we will now be publishing this letter on ClassCharts and sharing this on our social media too. We hope this will help all of our community get the key messages from school and enable us to share and celebrate our successes with you all.

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 or by calling school Monday-Friday between the hours of 8-4pm.

Yours sincerely,

Gill Shirt

Headteacher

Up and Coming Dates



Progress Evening for Year 11 tonight! 30/11/2023

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

Flu Vaccination closing date - Friday 1st December

SEND Forum - 07/12/2023 at 4pm

Thursday 14th December - Year 9 Progress evening

Christmas Concert – Thurs 21/12/23, 6.00 – 7.00

[Please see our calendar for more dates!](#)

Year 11 - Progress evening - Thursday 30th November



Tonight, Thursday 30th November, there will be a Progress Evening for year 11. This will be a virtual event run through SchoolCloud. Parents and careers 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

Inset day - Friday 1st December



We are closed to all, Friday 1st December for an inset day.

Lunch times from next week.



Please be aware that due to the growing number of birds around the school, from Monday 4th 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.

Parking at the beginning and end of the day.



At the beginning and end of the day we have 950 students coming onto and leaving our site. We need to keep them safe at these times. There are always staff out keeping them safe from moving cars, operating the crossing so they cross Burnley Road safely and getting them to the pavement on Ewood Lane safely. In addition to this we want to work with our neighbours around school to minimise the impact on them. We have recently had more cars parking on Ewood Lane to drop off and pick up students and we know the residents of this narrow road find the traffic at these times frustrating. The Hare and Hounds car park has been in use by TV crews recently and this has put additional pressure on also.

We would like to remind all parents and carers that the safety of our students is paramount and ask all of you who drive to your children to school park respectfully and in line with the parking restrictions around school. We strongly advise you to avoid driving up Ewood Lane as it is narrow and easily congested. If frustration with others occurs please show respect for each other, our staff and the legal restrictions and road markings in the area.

Announcing our Christmas Showcase 2023!



THS Christmas Showcase 2023

Thursday 21st December at 6pm

**JOIN US FOR A FESTIVE
EVENING OF MUSIC AND DRAMA**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL CANTEEN
AT**

MORNING BREAK FROM 4-12-23

**ADULTS £4
CHILDREN AND CONCESSIONS £2.50**



Announcing our Christmas Showcase 2023! Our Christmas concert will be held in the last week of school, Thursday 21st December at 6pm, with tickets going on sale in the dining room at break time from Monday 4th December onwards.

SEND online forum



Miss Cooper and Mrs Pitchforth will be hosting an **SEND Forum online** on Thursday 7th December 2023 at 4-5pm. This is an open forum. 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 link to join is below

<https://tinyurl.com/yb86m4y5>

Extra curricular clubs and groups

Todmorden High School extra-curricular timetable				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	K53 Art Club Miss Webster Room 46	K53 Crafts Club Miss Ivie Room 48	Magic Club Mr Charles Room 13	Steel Pan Club All Years Miss Brockman Stage (school hall)
	Design & Technology Club All Year groups welcome Mrs Hartley Room 25 & 26	English Speaking Board Invitation only Mrs Kewin Room 90	K53 Cricket Club Mr Dunden Gym	
	Coursework catch up Mrs Lambert	MMM Fantasy Orchestra Miss Brockman School Hall		
	K53 Basketball Mr Dunden Gym	Y11 EPW Drop In Mr Womack Room 47		
	K54 Art/Photography Club Mr Freeman Room 45	Year 7 & 8 Code Club Mr McDermott Room 21		
	Geography Film Club All years welcome Miss Kolin Room 15	K53 Science Club Miss Smith Room 41		
	Drama Club (All Years) Miss Dudeney Drama Studio	Year 7&8 Girls Football Mrs Lambert		
	Rock Band Miss Brockman Music Room	Girls' Netball Club All Years Miss Craggton		

All clubs finish by 4pm unless stated otherwise

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

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

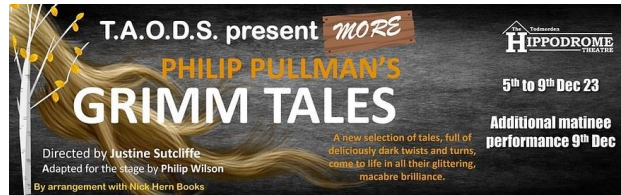
Uniform Policy



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. [Click here to see our Uniform Policy](#)

Other news

The Hippodrome are staging “More Philip Pullman’s Grimm Tales” next week. A selection of fairy stories, weird and wonderful, staged in the round on a tiny stage – it’s definitely something different to warm a Winter night. You can book tickets here. [More Grimm Tales - Adapted by Philip Pullman at Todmorden Hippodrome Theatre event tickets from TicketSource](#)



And finally..



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.