

22nd March 2024

Please note that from the 8th April, we will no longer be using ParentMail to send messages to parents/carers. All information from school will be shared via ClassCharts. If you require your parent code to access ClassCharts, please contact school via email <u>-admin@todhigh.co.uk</u>

The end of this term has arrived - We are now closed for 2 weeks so have a super Easter holidays all! See you back on Monday 8th April.

As always, if you have any other concerns or if you 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



8th April - Back to school.

11th April - Year 7 Progress Evening - Appointments being released on Class Charts.

16th April - THS Careers Fair.

17th April - Parent cooking class with Mr Nalborczyk. Details below.

18th April - Parent IT class with Mr Keane. Details below.

18th April - Parent Forum with Miss Shirt - Appointments to be released after Easter.

Wednesday 26th June, 4-5pm - Year 11 Leavers' Assembly

Vaccination dates to note:

13/5/24 - Y9 DTTP/ACWY

20/5/24 - Y9 DTTP/ACWY

Year 7 Progress Evening



Our Year 7 Progress Evening will take place on Thursday 11th April 16.30-19.00. This will be an online event. Invitations and instructions as to how to book your places on the system will be shared on Class Charts. If you don't have your Class Charts code, please contact Mrs Kontogiannopoulou on demik@todhigh.co.uk or your child's form tutor.

Free Cooking Class with Mr Nalborczyk



Todmorden High School are offering a free parental session aimed at helping improving basic cooking skills on **Wednesday 17th April at 3:30-4:30pm.**

We will provide ingredients to feed a family a four a wholesome and nutritious meal and hopefully have some fun learning how to do this. Everything will be provided and everyone is welcome! All you will do is cook and clear up- then you can take the meal home for your family to enjoy. To book a place place please email Mr Nalborczyk on A.Nalborczyk@todhigh.co.uk by Wednesday 10th April, or telephone school on 01706 813558 and leave a message.

Free IT Class with Mr Keane!



Todmorden High school is offering a free session for parents to help you fill in anything from your CV/ job application to your application for a passport. We can help you write a letter of application and provide the IT and printing facilities. The session will be very informal and we are here to help you with your own individual needs. Everyone welcome, please come along if you think you would benefit.

The session will take place in school, 4.30 p.m. until 5.30 p.m. on Thursday 18th April 2024.

To book a place, please e-mail Mr Keane on <u>a.keane@todhigh.co.uk</u> or telephone school on 01706 813558 and leave a message. The **booking deadline** for this event is Thursday 11th April 2024. It would be very useful if you can give brief details of what you would like help with. If this time is not convenient for you, but you would like help, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Keane and let him know.

Y8 Going the extra mile

We know that the disruption of the pandemic had a negative impact on some students more than others. We're working tirelessly to help students catch-up and develop the maturity they need to be resilient self-regulated learners. Below are just two examples of the work we are doing beyond the curriculum to help our Y8 students.

A small group of students have been selected to take part in a "Power 2 Thrive" course. This externally verified course has been designed to help young people get the most out of their education and reach their potential.

This is the feedback from their very first visit to a local nursery.

"Louise and I were very impressed at the behaviour of the students we took on the initial visit to Ferney Lee Nursery on the THRIVE programme. They demonstrated respect, interest and care during their visit.

A couple of students even commented whilst walking back how they had noticed a change in their own behaviour that afternoon....which is fantastic to hear!"

Another Y8 group took part in a series of workshops to explore and challenge the thinking of young people. Tim Haigh, author of the book "The leopard that changed his spots." was the motivational speaker for the day and feedback from the students has been very positive. Below are comments from just two boys.

"It was interesting. It made me think about what could happen if I don't change my behaviour."

"It was a very good day. It helped me realise why I should be good. He was one of the nicest people I have met."

Ambition continues!





Evie Bradbury (Year 11) has been playing for the Lancashire girls' Rugby Union U16 squad for the last 2 seasons. On Sunday, Evie competed against Northumberland away in Newcastle. This was her last match for the U16 team. Evie played 2 matches against a well drilled Northumberland squad, winning the first game 12- 7 and losing the second 7-0. Evie will hopefully be trailing for Sale Sharks Centre Of Excellence or Lancashire U18 squads in the upcoming months. A massive well done from all staff and students at THS!

Vote for Pippa!

One of our year 11 students, Pippa Meadowcroft, has been nominated in the National Diversity Awards, 2024. Pippas's journey and voting link is below to vote for Pippa. Well done Pippa!

Pippa Meadowcroft (nationaldiversityawards.co.uk)



History egg competition results!

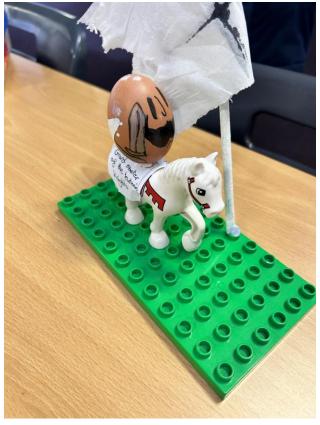


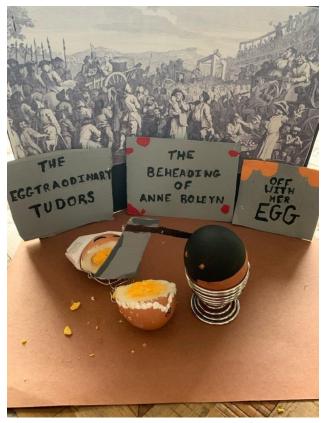
Another cracking effort this year for the history department's annual Easter Egg competition. Students have clearly put lots of time and effort into their entries; it was difficult to choose winners! Thanks to all entries and thanks to those families at home that no doubt helped and supported with the creation of the egg-cellent entries. Mr Dewsnip



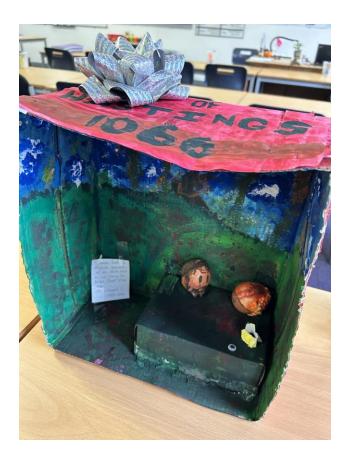












Local activities!

Tod College 26-29th March - Holiday activity:

WELCOME TO ESTEEMED CREATIVES. If you're 11-16 years old, we invite you to our 4 day creative arts camp to learn from our epic artist mentors. Workshops include, dance, music production, djing, poetry, film making, graffiti, performing arts and much more!

We will meet together at Tod College 1pm-5pm each day between 26th-29th March.

Our staff are all DBS checked working artists with tons of experience with young folk and we've got some high quality equipment for you to play with.

On Tuesday, our first day together, we will co-create the weekly schedule and you'll be free to take part in workshops, have 121 mentorship or just come and chill with us.

(Note for parents, your child can come for free if they are eligible for free school meals. If this doesn't apply, just turn up on the day and pay £5 per session.)

Booking link is below.

Esteemed Creatives Presents: AGILE CAMP | Esteemed Creativites (coordinate.cloud)

Animal Academy - Easter Holidays

Hopwood Hall College are delighted to announce some very good news: After the hugely popular Animal Academy programmes and due to high demand, they have decided to run them again over the Easter Holidays.

Details from them are below:

This incredible adventure for young people aged 13-16 who aspire to develop a career working with animals. Delivered by our in-house team of zookeepers and expert tutors, these immersive programmes are set to give young people 24 or 30 hours of highly sought-after practical experience - perfect foundations for a career in working with animals. Animal Academy students will learn all about the unique lives of our endangered animals at Hopwood Hall College, we have over 500 animals here, including meerkats, wallabies and alpacas to name but a few so this promises to be an amazing experience.

Courses will be held on the following weeks 9am until 3pm:

- Tuesday 2nd April until Friday 5th April (4 days)
- Monday 8th April until Friday 12th April (5 days)

You can book a place following the link below:

Animal Academy - Hopwood Hall College and University Centre

We can't wait to welcome you to our Animal Academy here at Hopwood Hall College and University Centre!

Kind regards

Jane

JANE SLATER | ENGAGEMENT OFFICER

Hopwood Hall College



Our 2024 Prom



Learning Managers



Just to remind you all of our 5 Learning Managers and their contact details, should you ever need to email them.

Year 7 - Mrs. Kontogiannopoulou Email: <u>demik@todhigh.co.uk</u>

Year 8 - Mrs. Thompson Email: p.thompson@todhigh.co.uk

Year 9 - Mrs. Townend Email: a.townend@todhigh.co.uk

Year 10 - Miss. James Email: j.james@todhigh.co.uk

Year 11 - Mrs. Stansfield Email: e.stansfield@todhigh.co.uk