



18th October 2024

Dear Parent / carers,

How have we only got one week left before we break up for half term? This half term has been overflowing with learning, events, successes and visits and I want to express my thanks to all the staff at Todmorden High School and students alike, for their hard work, resilience and determination.

There are still some places available on the Data Forum with Miss Vose next week, for anyone with questions regarding data and you student. Places can be booked for this forum and any of our other forums as below.

We are on the look out for a new parent governor. This is a rewarding post, where you can assist in making sure that the school is governed in the correct way, adding any areas of wisdom and expertise that you can.

As always, if you have 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

Yours faithfully,

Gill Shirt

Headteacher

Up and Coming Dates



* Our 1-2-1 online forums are your opportunity to speak personally online to a senior member of staff. To make an appointment please email Miss Jones on v.jones@todhigh.co.uk

23.10.24 - Data Forum with Miss Vose @ 4-5pm *

HALF TERM - 28.10.24 to 1.11.24. Back to school Monday 4.11.24.

7.11.24 - Uniform Forum with Mrs Rawlinson @ 4-5pm *

8.11.24 - Pizza Hut Student voice rewards trip with Miss Shirt and Miss James.

14.11.24 - Revision Forum with Mrs Mansfield and Mrs Stansfield @ 4-5pm.*

19.11.24 Year 7-11 Nasal Flu immunisations.

20.11.24 - Sex education parent forum with Mrs Maude @ 3.15-3.45pm.*

28.11.24 - Progress Evening Year 11 @ 4:30-7pm. More details to follow.

12.12.24 - Progress Evening Year 9 @ 4:30-7pm. More details to follow.

20.12.24 - Break up for Christmas holidays. Back to school 7.1.25.

Please keep an eye out on our social media pages for lots of new and interesting articles!

Winners!

On Thursday, Mr Kenworthy and Miss James had the pleasure of taking fifteen of our Year 11 boys to an inter-schools' football competition organised by Burnley FC in the Community. It was a great opportunity to play against different schools and the students were fantastic! Their behaviour was exemplary, even when faced with some challenging situations from other teams. Having fifteen players meant we could play as two teams to maximise the opportunity, and I'm delighted to say we came 1st and 4th in the overall league table. Congratulations to Team 1 (pic 1, l-r) Ciaran F, Hayden B, Will G, Brandon H, Nathan Br, Robert R and Frank F. Congratulations to Team 2 (pic 2, l-r) Ollie R, George C, Harvey P, Freddie L, Harrison D, Kieron P, Joshua Tand Zac C. It was great to see them in action, developing their communication and teamwork skills during the games and supporting each other!



Parent Governor Election

The election period for our new Parent Governors is now open. You should have received an email with a link to the electronic vote. You can also vote by collecting a paper ballot form from Main Reception (or ask your child to collect one from Student Reception) and returning to school for the attention of the Clerk to Governors. Many thanks to the candidates who have offered to fill these vital school community roles.

Yours sincerely

Justine Sutcliffe

Clerk to Governors

Bake Sale in school on Monday!

Todmorden High School BAKE SALE!!!

- On Monday the 21st of October we will be going around forms selling various cakes and biscuits.
- All of this is to raise money for the young enterprise project and all purchases will be greatly appreciated!
- Most things will be below a £1 so no need to bring in loads!

A photograph showing a variety of baked goods for sale. There are several glass stands holding round cakes, some with white frosting and others with chocolate. There are also plates of biscuits, some plain and some with toppings. The items are arranged on a table, and some have small white labels with prices or names.

Chess Club

A new addition to our extra-curricular club is our Chess Club. This is proving very popular indeed! Spaces are still available though, so just turn up to room 18 on a Monday after school, if you want to attend!



Attendance award

Charlie S of our year 8 has been awarded this week's attendance award for 100% attendance and no late marks during last week. Congratulations Charlie this is a great achievement!

This resets every Monday with every student having the chance to win this award.



Calderdale College

Calderdale College will be opening their doors on the 19th November for anyone is interested in pursuing a career in the arts. This will assist those picking their options in Y9 in January as well as those in Y10 and Y11 with their post-16 applications/choices.



**CREATIVE
PATHWAYS
FESTIVAL**

**3-7PM
CALDERDALE COLLEGE
TUESDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2024**

Ever wanted to find out more about creative or cultural careers? Interested in finding new opportunities?

There's more than one way to get into the arts!
Join this go-to event for discovering the amazing range of pathways into cultural and creative careers practices.

Check out this jam-packed afternoon with stalls, workshops and a range of speakers from creative and cultural organisations. You'll have the chance to speak to a range of businesses, and explore a range of skills and careers across art, theatre, film, festivals, heritage, music and more!

  www.ignite-creativity.org.uk
hello@ignite-creativity.org.uk
@ICCalderdale



Free Parenting Clinic



Free Parenting Clinic by Anisa Lewis is coming up on **Tuesday, 7th November at 12:30 PM**, right after the half-term break. This month's focus is on **Behaviour**. **Is your child's behaviour leaving you feeling puzzled?**

- Do you often question why your child is behaving in a certain way?
- Why are they hitting, kicking, or lashing out?
- Why do they always shout, or why won't they listen?
- What is your approach to discipline like, and do you find yourself reacting the same way each time?

If these questions sound familiar, I'd love for your parents to join me for a 30-minute session where we'll explore what's going on with children's behaviour and practical strategies to support both them and ourselves as parents.

The session will be held via Zoom, and a recording will be sent to all who register.

To book a place:

- Visit: <https://anisalewis.as.me/theclinic>

- Or email: hello@anisalewis.com for the booking link.

Our extra-curricular timetable!

Todmorden High School extra-curricular timetable				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Further Maths Years 10 & 11 SMIP/HAGZ/RUHF Room 80/82	Design & Technology Club Years 7,8,9 HARS/DAWJ Room 25	Year 8 Maths Club Invite only SMIP Room 82	Sports Studies Year 10 KENS Changing rooms
	Orchestra All Years LEIJ Room 69	Year 7 Maths Club Invite only SMIP Room 82	Band Practice All Years LEIJ Room 69	Physics Club Year 10 & 11 KEAA Room 39
	Chess Club All years WOMJ Room 18	Netball Club All Years CREG Changing rooms	Drama Club All years DAUH	
	Football Club Year 8 BRAJ	Coding Club All Years MCDD Room 21		

All clubs finish by 4pm unless stated otherwise

Half Term 1 2024

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.

Local events

Scouts

JOIN THE ADVENTURE
SATURDAY 19TH OCTOBER 2024

Come along and join us for some scouting fun. Meet the Mayor and MP* Try some homemade pizza, crafts, refreshments, inflatables and more. See international Jamboree on the air. Want to join scouts or volunteer? Everyone is welcome to attend! Free Event.

🕒 10am-3:00pm 📍 St Mary's Church,
White Hart Fold
Todmorden
OL14 7BD

☎️ 07872 828 166

✉️ sajida.rafiqanwar@scouts.org.uk *subject to availability

Health Matters

Join us for our next members' event



Diabetes and Nutrition: Food for Thought

Date: Monday 11 November 2024

Time: 4.00 pm to 6.00 pm

Venue: Lecture Theatre - sub-basement -
Huddersfield Royal Infirmary - Acre Street - Lindley -
HD3 3EA (free parking available)

To book your place:

Scan the QR code 



or call 01484 347342

or e-mail membership@cht.nhs.uk

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Parent drop-in Keeping your child safe

Are you struggling with your child's transition to high school?
Are you aware & comfortable with your child's online activity, who they speak to online & the apps they use?
Do you consider your child to be negatively affected by peer influence?

Join us for an informal discussion to discuss any concerns you may have about your child in a safe space, with no expectation to share personal details.

What we will talk about

- Online apps & social media used by young people.
- Drug awareness and current trends amongst young people.
- Spotting the signs of online grooming & coercive control.
- Myth busting facts about vapes & alcohol use.
- Communicating effectively with your child around concerns relating to drug or social media peer pressure.
- Where to turn to for support.

Venue

Orange Box,
1 Backledge, Halifax,
HX1 1AP

For further information contact:

Jayne: 07538 477054
Hendy: 01422 415 550

Ivison Trust is a national charity which provides support for families of children affected by exploitation.

Ivison Trust Registered Charity No. 1082580.
Company limited by guarantee in England & Wales No. 4249272.

24th
October
6pm-7pm



Calling all young people

Free holiday activities and food sessions

HALF TERM FUN

21st October - 1st November

Join #HealthyHolidaysCalderdale for a variety of activities during October Half Term!

Calderdale ACTIVE CALDERDALE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



HALF TERM FUN

It's your chance to take part in free, fun activities during the half term holidays. Scan the QR code to find out what activities are available to book.

Whether it's abseiling or caving, drama or dance there is something for everyone.

Calderdale Council are providing free activities for young people eligible for free school meals aged 5-16.

Calderdale's Healthy Holidays Half Term provides enriching activities, delicious nutritious meals, and a chance for young people to meet new friends in a safe & fun environment, during the school holidays.

Find out what's on and book your place at www.calderdale.gov.uk/healthyholidays

Calling all 5-16s on Free School Meals - book your place now!





It's back!! Todmorden Hippodrome Christmas Fair and Market

A fabulous opportunity to get those Christmas presents bought and support local makers at the same time. There will also be a Christmas Tree Festival with 14 trees on show beautifully decorated by local schools and organisations. Each one supporting a charity of their choice. The £1 entrance fee will give you 10 tokens to vote for your favourite 10 trees. The proceeds from this will be shared amongst the charities. Delicious homemade refreshments will also be available in the lovely Props Room.

2024 - 2025 Term Dates

School term dates 2024-2025

Date	Event
Monday 2nd September 2024	CPD Day 1 (school closed to students)
Tuesday 3rd September 2024	CPD Day 2 (school closed to students)
Wednesday 4th September 2024	School opens for Autumn term
Friday 25th October 2024	School closes for Autumn half-term
Monday 4th November 2024	School re-opens after Autumn half-term
Friday 20th December 2024	School closes for the end of Autumn term
Monday 6th January 2025	CPD Day 3 (school closed to students)
Tuesday 7th January 2025	School opens for Spring term
Friday 14th February 2025	School closes for Spring half-term
Monday 24th February 2025	School re-opens after Spring half-term
Friday 4th April 2025	School closes for the end of Spring term
Monday 21st April 2025	School closed: Easter Monday
Tuesday 22nd April 2025	School opens for Summer term
Monday 5th May 2025	School closed: May Day
Friday 23rd May 2025	School closes for Summer half-term
Monday 2nd June 2025	School re-opens after Summer half-term
Friday 18th July 2025	School closes for end of summer term
Monday 21st July 2025	CPD Day 4 (school closed to students)
Tuesday 22nd July 2025	CPD Day 5 (school closed to students)

- Of the 195 days, five are to be pupil occasional holidays. School must open 190 days to students.
- One of these must be polling day, if schools are closed due to the elections.
- Two of the five days may be disaggregated.

Our Daily Routine.

2024/25			
Session	Session length	Time	Year
Arrive on site	10 min	8:30 – 8:40	7, 8, 9, 10 and 11
Focus	30min	8:40 – 9:10	7, 8, 9, 10 and 11
Lesson 1	1hr	9:10 – 10:10	7, 8, 9, 10 and 11
Break	15min	10:10 – 10:25	7, 8, 9, 10 and 11
Lesson 2	1hr	10:25 – 11:25	7, 8, 9, 10 and 11

Session	Session length	Time	Year	Session	Session length	Time	Year	Session	Session length	Time	Year
Lunch A	30min	11:25–11:55	8, 10	Lesson 3	30 min	11:25–11:55	7	Lesson 3	1hr	11:25–12:25	9, 11
Lesson 3	1hr	11:55–12:55	8, 10	Lunch B	30 min	11:55–12:25	7	Lunch C	30min	12:25–12:55	9, 11
				Lesson 3	30 min	12:25-12:55	7				

Session	Session length	Time	Year
Lesson 4	1hr	12:55 – 13:55	7, 8, 9, 10 and 11
Transition	5min	13:55 – 14:00	7, 8, 9, 10 and 11
Lesson 5	1hr	14:00 – 15:00	7, 8, 9, 10 and 11

Learning Managers for next academic year 2024-2025



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

Year 7 -Mrs. Townend

Email: a.townend@todhigh.co.uk

Year 8 - Mrs. Kontogiannopoulou

Email: demik@todhigh.co.uk

Year 9 - Mrs. Thompson

Email: p.thompson@todhigh.co.uk

Year 10 - Mrs. Stansfield

Email: e.stansfield@todhigh.co.uk

Year 11 - Miss. James

Email: j.james@todhigh.co.uk