

Key Dates

Mock week- 18/11/2019
Year 9 Parents' Evening- 18/11/19 5-7pm
CPD Day 3 (school closed to students) - 29/11/19
Year 11 Parents' Evening- 5/11/19 5-7pm
Christmas show- 19/12/2019 6-8pm
Christmas break- 20/12/2019 1pm



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High School

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Head: Miss G Shirt

Friday 15th November 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

I was very proud to represent Todmorden High School as part of the Remembrance Sunday parade in Todmorden last Sunday. Our students turned up smartly dressed in their uniforms and walked with myself, Mr Womack, and the rest of the Todmorden community. I felt overwhelmed by the maturity and dedication of our students, who braved the weather to be part of this important event. Many thanks to everyone who attended, and for being excellent representatives for our school out and about in the community.

We are privileged that our students are an exceptional group of young people and we have very high expectations of the way in which they wear their uniform. Please can I remind you of the uniform expectations which you can view on our school website www.todhigh.co.uk/school-uniform, and also remind you that with harsh, winter weather drawing in it would be a great idea to encourage students to wear a waterproof coat, scarf and hat or bring an umbrella with them in the case of extreme weather. Adequate footwear is also a must to ensure that students are not sodden and cold for their lesson time. Many thanks for all your support with keeping our students happy and healthy, and looking smart and presentable at all times. I must remind you that hoodies are not an acceptable form of outerwear, and are not part of our uniform guidelines. Students should not wear hoodies during school time.

On Monday 18th November 2019 we will be hosting our Year 9 Parents' evening 5-7pm. Our Options process differs every year according to the individual needs of Year 9. There will be some information for students and parents/carers on the evening. If you have any queries regarding parents' evening please contact Mrs Kontogiannopoulou on demik@todhigh.co.uk.

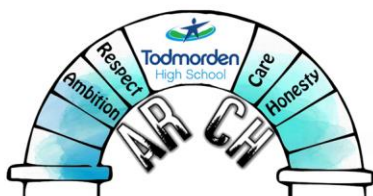
What is my child learning?

On our website you will find a dedicated curriculum area, in which you can read what each subject is delivering at KS3 and 4. This can help you to understand what your child is learning when they are with us, and help you to assist them with homework etc. Please do take a look and don't hesitate to contact Mrs Coates if you have any questions, www.todhigh.co.uk/school-curriculum.

Careers- Year 11

Application deadlines for colleges are fast approaching, if you would like to discuss any matters and get some clarification regarding careers, A-levels or BTEC courses or the different colleges on offer. Please don't hesitate to contact Rob Stoakes on rob.stoakes@ckcareers.org.uk. We are busy putting into place our careers plan, our first major event is National Careers Week 2020, this takes place on 2nd to 6th March 2020 with our second annual event THS Careers Fair being held on Tuesday 7th July 2020. We will be building upon the success of last year's events and offering more employers, colleges and activities to the students. If you wish to take part, please contact l.mcdermott@todhigh.co.uk.

The decision has been taken to close school for the Christmas break at 1pm on Friday 20th December 2019, students will go to their lessons as normal before Eat 1 and then will attend lesson 4 instead of going for Eat 2 at 12.20pm. Students will then be dismissed by staff from 1pm onwards, children who have a free school meal will be able to pick up a packed lunch, please plan childcare in accordance with this. On the subject of Christmas, please do attend our Christmas show on Thursday 19th December. There will be festive snacks and songs in the canteen and then our Christmas show with performances from our students and staff to get you in the mood for the festive season. Tickets will be on sale from next week at the student office.



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If you are dropping off or picking up your children for their school day in your vehicle, please can you make every effort not to park on Ewood Lane. There is the sports centre car park opposite the school on Ewood Lane, or the Hare and Hounds car park on Burnley road in which you are more than welcome to park your vehicle while you drop off or pick up your child. This will keep our students safe if they are crossing the lane to walk home through the park, and prevent congestion and traffic which can be dangerous. Thanks for your support with this.

We are currently adding to our cleaning team if anyone in the community is interested in joining the Todmorden High School team. The position will be for 16-26 hours per week including afternoons and evenings, please don't hesitate to contact us if you are interested.

Just a reminder, if you weren't already aware, that school will be closed to students on Friday 29th November 2019 for a training day. We have a list of useful dates on our school website homepage that can be accessed by clicking on the banner at the head of the page www.todhigh.co.uk, please feel free to access these dates and keep them handy just in case. Today marks our Children in Need bake sale. Thank you for your support and contribution, I will let you know next week how much we raised.

As always if you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G Shirt', written in a cursive style.

Miss G Shirt
Headteacher

STUDENT PROFILE

Friday 15th November 2019

We are very pleased to announce our Head boy and Head girl electives for KS4. These students will form the student council along with KS3 and will work together with the Leadership team to drive forward our school community.

YEAR 10

Philippa, 10KMU



Charlie, 10KMU

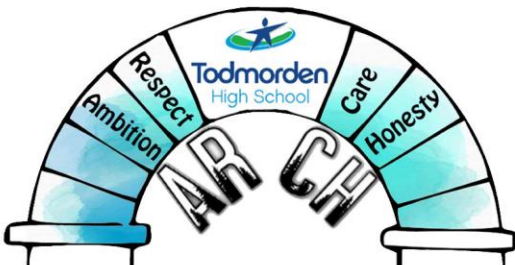


YEAR 11

Phoebe, 11LMC



Ben, 11LMC



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