

**Up & coming dates**

Break up for summer: 23/7/21 12.15pm

Friday 9/7/21

Dear Parents and Carers,

I'm sure you are all keen to know how your child has progressed in school this academic year. Over the last few weeks our teachers have assessed the students in a range of different ways, our Year 7, 8 and 9 students will receive this information in their Data Check report today. Unfortunately, the Year 10 Data Check report will be slightly delayed as a result of significant self-isolation in this year group and the mocks changing dates, your reports will be shared week commencing 19<sup>th</sup> July . We are working on getting these results to you as soon as possible. Paper reports will be given to the students, if you would like an electronic copy please contact the school.

We are excited for the next academic year and hopefully a return to near-normality in school. We are working hard in the last few weeks of this term to ensure students get off to a flying start in September, including employing more teachers, investing in technology and teacher professional development and adapting the curriculum to ensure it continues to be ambitious while also responding to the needs of our students in their learning. So that we communicate with parents of our current Year 9 students early in their GCSE courses we have added an additional Y10 Parents' Evening early in the Autumn term. Please support your child's learning by ensuring they complete their TT rock stars, Sparks homework, encouraging them to read at home and help them learn their Knowledge Organisers through quizzing them on the content. If you are keen to support your child's progress further in any subjects, please get in touch with the relevant Learning Manager in the first instance.

As outlined in last week's letter, we have decided to trial tailored shorts for the remainder of summer term. If successful, this will be an option each year, in the summer term, for students who chose to wear them. Students are permitted to wear **tailored** shorts as part of their standard uniform. The shorts must be black and tailored; they cannot be cargo shorts, sports shorts or made from jersey, denim or leather look material. Shorts should be on the knee in length. The rest of the school uniform would be worn as normal.

**Acceptable**



**Unacceptable**



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. As we approach the end of the academic year and you are perhaps looking to refresh your child's uniform, do take a look at our uniform guidance to refresh your memories on our expectations. [www.todhigh.co.uk/school-uniform](http://www.todhigh.co.uk/school-uniform). We do still have our school uniform cupboard, so if you are getting rid of any uniform that your child has grown out of please do consider donating this to our stocks.



The PE department have been running afterschool inter-form sports sessions for our students from Year 7 – 10. This week students have been competing in football tournaments and I am proud to announce the winners of these competition are:



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I will announce the Year 7 and 8 winners in next week's newsletter. From next week we will see our Forms competing in Rounders tournaments. Please see the poster attached to the end of this letter for more information on this. Don't forget to follow us on Facebook (Todmorden High School) and Twitter (@Todmordenhigh) for regular updates.

As we do every year, school will close early for the summer holidays. Students will finish lessons on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2021 at 11:45am and will then spend half an hour in form, for an end of term celebration, before they leave at 12:15pm. All buses have been arranged for this time. Any out of area students (Bacup) will leave school directly after registering at 11.45am. Staff will escort these students to Todmorden Bus Station where they will be able to catch the 12.22pm bus service.

We are currently recruiting for a school Governor and for a Learning Support Assistant. We are a good school offering fresh opportunities for you to get involved with developing our curriculums and systems, please do check out our vacancies at <http://todhigh.co.uk/recruitment-2/>.

Our EPR trip departs to Barmoor this afternoon with Mr Womack, Ms Wells, Mr George and Mrs Womack. A number of Year 10 GCSE students will be engaging in several study related activities across the weekend to enrich their EPR experience and enhance their learning. I will update you in my next letter as to how they got on.

In the first week back after the summer holidays Mrs Rawlinson will be hosting a parental information session for each year group after school (Mon Y7, Tue Y8, Weds Y9, Thu Y10, Fri Y11). The purpose of these evenings will be to meet with you and update you on our new Behaviour Policy and the ARCH values, our hope is that this will give us a strong start to the new academic year where we can work together to secure the best learning experience for your children. More information regarding the specifics of this evening will be released before we break up for the summer term.

Many thanks to those who attended my virtual parent drop in this week, the final parent drop in of the year will be on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 3-4pm on TEAMS. To join this meeting visit [www.todhigh.co.uk](http://www.todhigh.co.uk) and click on the Virtual Parent Drop in button. Hope to see some of you there.

We are now collecting our library books back in to get everything ready for next term. If you have borrowed a book from our library, please bring it back in and hand it over to Mrs Brown - students who get their books back quickly might even be in line for a sweet treat although hurry because numbers are limited!

We held our virtual transition evening yesterday and had our virtual transition day today for our new Y7 cohort who are joining us in September. We are disappointed that we couldn't host these events in person, we are really excited to welcome our new students. If you have any questions regarding transition or your child starting with us in September please contact Miss Crowther (Learning Manager for Year 7) [r.crowther@todhigh.co.uk](mailto:r.crowther@todhigh.co.uk).

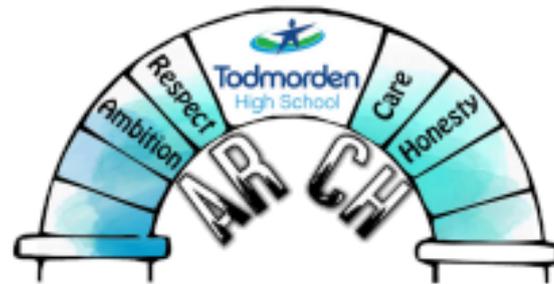
This week all of our students have had access to our online virtual careers fair as well as a number of careers inspired talks from Burnley College, Todmorden Climate Challenge College and Megan Shackleton - one of our amazing ex-students who will be representing Team GB in Tokyo for the Olympics! You can still access the careers fair at [www.todhigh.co.uk/careers-programme](http://www.todhigh.co.uk/careers-programme) It is never too early to start thinking about careers and possible routes to those careers! If you do have any questions about careers or Post-16 Options please contact Mrs Emily Stansfield on [e.stansfield@todhigh.co.uk](mailto:e.stansfield@todhigh.co.uk)

If we can be of any assistance to you or your family, please don't hesitate to call us on 01706813558 or email [admin@todhigh.co.uk](mailto:admin@todhigh.co.uk) and we will get back to you.

Yours Sincerely,

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

Gill Shirt  
Headteacher



TODMORDEN HIGH SCHOOL

# ROUNDERS

INTER-HOUSE COMPETITION

TUESDAY 13TH JULY - YEAR 10  
WEDNESDAY 14TH JULY - YEAR 9  
MONDAY 19TH JULY - YEAR 8  
TUESDAY 20TH JULY - YEAR 7