

Dispatches

A Word from the Head



At the end of this Spring term, it is lovely to look back and see how school activities have been returning to normal. We have gradually seen the return of visitors to give talks and run workshops for students, including a Y13 motivational session on revision and exam techniques plus a visit from The Onatti Theatre Company who staged a production in German for all our Year 8 and 9 German students. We have also enjoyed activities related to World Book Day, Comic Relief and have, of course, continued with our charity fund-raising. I hope you enjoy reading about these, and other activities, in the newsletter

We were particularly delighted that Year 11 and Year 13 were able to have their year group photos taken a couple of weeks ago and to be able to host a traditional, in-person Prize Giving celebration for our 2021 Year 11 and 13. At Prize Giving it was lovely to see so many students and families and to welcome the Mayor and Mayoress, our Chair of Governors and our guest speaker - former student Emily Sharp. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the evening and we were pleased to receive very positive feedback about the school from many guests.

We are aware, of course, that opportunities for parents and families to engage directly with school, even to come into the building, have

been severely curtailed over the pandemic. We are excited about finding opportunities from now on, to provide information, to listen to views and to consult our parents as we continue to develop and improve our provision. We have already started this process with information evenings in school for Year 11 and Year 13.

A significant number of our families will be observing Ramadan over the holiday period. I am always impressed and humbled by the commitment and fortitude shown by our Muslim students during periods of fasting, even more so when daylight hours are long. The resilience and values they demonstrate chime with those we ask all our students to develop, not least respect, challenge and self-belief.

At Prize Giving, I spoke to our 2021 Y11 and Y13 students about the strength of character they have shown over the past two years. All of our as young people continue to display amazing qualities, whatever life throws at them. They are a real credit to you and their families.

I wish you a Happy Easter, Ramadan Mubarak and hope you manage some quality family time over the holiday period.

Lynnette Cassidy

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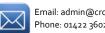
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Careers Initiatives



We have revamped the

Careers page on our website!

You will find careers under the Personal Development tab of the website. There is lots of information for students, parents and for external providers and visitors who may be able to support our careers provision.

Bdr Dylan Ward addressed our Y10 students and delivered a presentation about resilience, one of the key skills in life, suggesting techniques to develop their resilience for all of life's challenges that they might face in the future. It was also a perfect opportunity to find out more about careers in the armed forces from basic entry to degree level and such a wide range of career roles including the less obvious ones such as engineering, logistics and IT. A brilliant Q&A session also gave students insight into life in the army.



We've also been delighted to welcome more former students back to talk to our Y11,12 and 13 about their respective careers. Barrister Emily Landale (class of 2013) spoke on careers in Law and will be returning in May to run a mock trial with our 6th formers; Reece Geisler (class of 2016) who is a Forensic Accountant for PwC spoke about getting ahead in finance; and Josh Broadbent, Manager at AAM Engineering (class of 2011) talked about apprenticeship routes into engineering careers. In May we are also looking forward to welcoming Abdul Rahmaan, who is now training with West Yorkshire Police.

Football finals ahead!

The Crossley Heath Y10 football team won their semi final in March beating Trinity Academy 2-1 in the last minute from a Will Cullen back post header.

They will now face Lightcliffe in the Calderdale Cup final on a date to be confirmed at Brighouse Town's ground.

As a 'non footballing' school this is a great achievement to triumph over teams from Rastrick, Calder and Trinity on the road to the final.

Congratulations to all the team on reaching the final:

Ethan Wells
Joe Tuton
Aqib Ali
Oscar Noel
Will Cullen
Harry Freeth
Subhaan Shabir
Luke Harling
Haris Ali
Zak Watson
Isaac Burton-Wilson
Ollie Gill
Inshal Dar

Steven Chi-Mbatoh

Reading for pleasure!

There are a number of initiatives running in school currently to promote and develop reading. Reading has many proven benefits - it helps to build students' vocabulary; it expands the mind; it develops empathy and reduces stress amongst many other things.

The **Reading Buddies** programme is a mentoring programme where trained sixth form students undertake weekly mentoring sessions with a small number of students in Years 7 and 8, who need a little more support and encouragement with

their reading and confidence in reading.

Readers Leaders Book Club is being run by Charlotte Hume and Lauren Isherwood in Y13 and is attended by a number of students from Years 7-10. The students select a book and then have a few weeks to read it before getting together again to discuss it over a slice of cake. This club is running once a month at lunchtimes and, so far, members have read the first in the Divergent series, One Of Us Is Lying, A Monster Calls and the next book is Fahrenheit 451.

The **Reading Aloud** initiative takes place in all forms across Y7-9. Form tutors read a chosen book to the students during tutorial once a week. Students sit back, relax and enjoy the story. They have the opportunity to access different reading materials and, subsequently, discuss the book with their peers and write book reviews. Student and staff feedback on this new initiative has been overwhelmingly positive and the students are really enjoying the stories they are sharing.

Updating your garden furniture?

The Environment and Wildlife Club has had a busy year so far, clearing the school garden and planting herbs and bulbs. Our aim is to make the school garden a mindful area for sixth form and a working garden for all ages.

The CHA has been very kind with their support and funding, so we have tools and plants to work with. Students also had fun raising funds by selling Valentines roses and we have more activities in the pipeline, including a new House gardening competition and a competition to design a Jubilee plant pot. The competition is open to all ages, and we hope to be able to use the Platinum Jubilee pots to display around school.

However in our garden we are desperately short of places to sit and tables to work on. With our ethos of recycling, we would like to ask any parent who is updating their garden furniture this year to think about donating their old wooden or metal garden furniture to us, to use in our school garden. It must obviously be sturdy and safe for students to use.

If you have any potentially suitable furniture we could use that you might be happy to donate, please send a photograph in the first instance to Mrs Lea: P.lea@crossleyheath.org.uk. Thank you in advance!





Debate Mate training



In February, 37 of our Student Leaders from Years 7-12 experienced a full day of debate training delivered by two fabulous Debate Mate mentors Azaan and Sam.

The day was packed full of activities to help develop key debating knowledge and skills and culminated in a series of keynote debates. Students went head-to-head to argue topical motions around current local community and global issues.

We were so impressed with our

students' insightful, passionate, and articulate contributions to the day. Our KS₃ and 4 students are now participating in weekly debates at our newly-founded Debating Society to hone their skills and are working closely with the sixth-form Debating Society to develop further.

They are working towards entering the national Schools' Mace debating competition in the summer and are also looking forward to leading on our primary school outreach programme amongst other exciting projects.

Year Group Photos

The gods of good weather were definitely smiling on us when our entire Y11 and Y13s enjoyed a morning in the sunshine for their year group photographs in March. The last time we managed an outdoor picture like this was actually 2018 so it was great to see the school looking its magnificent self as a backdrop. Thank you to Gillman and Soame for their professional skills during the morning. Order forms have been sent home with our students and parents are able to view proofs and order copies of the photos online directly with the company.







MedSoc goes from strength to strength

The MedSoc sixth form committee have been leading sessions every week on everything you need to know about applying to, studying and working in medicine, dentistry, veterinary science and allied healthcare!

This term's sessions focused on the structure of the NHS, the 4 pillars of medical ethics, case studies and how to choose a university, as well as having a virtual Q&A with former head boy and medical student Abhishek Subramaniam. Our year 10 and 11 MedSoc attendees also got a chance to show off their own presenting skills as they created amazing presentations on skills important for working in healthcare such as honesty and empathy.

Next term in MedSoc, we will be exploring deeper into healthcare specialties such as dentistry and surgery and seeing how people from different specialties work together in the multidisciplinary team, as well as delving into the key concept of capacity and consent which is essential for the provision of fair healthcare.

Join us in C1 on Tuesday lunchtimes if you're in Y10, 11, 12 or 13 and want to learn more about healthcare careers and make sure to follow us on Instagram @crossleyheathmedsoc!

Sloka Jami - Y12

Ben heads to Malmo!

Ben Cooper (7E), along with his fellow musicians in the Elland Silver Band, took part in the Intermediate National Youth Band Championships over the weekend (26-27 March).

The band won their section and were thrilled to be crowned national champions! Ben and his band mates will now get the chance to compete against the best silver bands in Europe as they compete in the European Finals next year in Malmö, Sweden.

Congratulations to Ben and the rest of the Elland Silver Band.



Well done to our latest cohort of sixth form students to have

students to have completed their First Aid Awareness training with paramedic Mr Beattie. They were presented with certificates and booklets to take with them. Mr Beattie commented they were probably the best group he had ever taught and wished them well for their futures.

French Film Club

French film club has a had an extremely good turn out this term. So far, we have watched Astérix, Mission Cléopatre, La Famille Bélier and we are currently watching The Extraordinary Adventures of Adèle Blanc Sec.

The students have really enjoyed seeing different aspects of French culture portrayed in films.

If anyone would like to join us next term, we are in L1 from 12.30 every Wednesday lunchtime. The club is open to every year group, just come along and bring your lunch!

Y9 Boys Indoor Cricket Team Crowned Calderdale Champions

Winning the play-off final against a dangerous Halifax Academy side, early in the Spring Term, was a fitting finale to an outstanding indoor season for the Crossley Heath Y9 cricketers. They remained unbeaten in their 8 games played and secured the title and trophy with another superb display of sharp bowling, assured batting and razor sharp fielding.

The success of this team has been built on talent but most importantly attitude and togetherness. The willingness of this squad to work together to achieve their best performance has been a stand out feature. Values of self-belief, challenge and respect are strong in each and every member.

Congratulations to:

Sameer Ayub, Om Behera, Matthew Brearley, Harvey Bhullar, Lakshya Kaushik, Sam Moore, Jayesh Bharath, James Thirkell, Jack Wilkinson and Aryan Roychoudhury



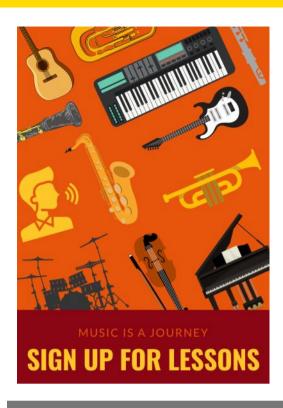
Staff v 6th Form Netball for Comic Relief

A highly contested netball match between staff and our 6th form took place in our sports hall in March, with money raised for Red Nose Day.

At the end of time the score was 5-5, with staff scoring the golden goal to finish as overall winners.



There was plenty of skill on display from all the players and it was great to see so many students cheering on their staff and fellow 6th form players. Players of the match were Miss Twibill for her quick passing in centre court and Ben Rosco for his strong defensive play, with Mr O' Connor and James Johnson for their shooting skills.



Spotlight on Music for 2022



ABRSM exam successes

Congratulations to Nina Slyman (pictured right) for her Distinction award in her Piano exam.

In December, we had another session of ABRSM exams in school. We are delighted to be able to host the exams as Crossley Heath is a recognised centre. The results came through in the Christmas holidays and all students passed (please see the list below). Special mentions go to Lauren, Beatrice, Evelyn, Shamritha and Ben for gaining a merit, and Vanessa and Nina for passing with distinction.

The next ABRSM exam session will be on Friday 26th April and we have 22 students entered.

Martha	Dale	Piano	Grade 2
Vanessa	Pukl	Piano	Grade 6
Amelie	Baker	Flute	Grade 3
Viswa	Edara	Alto Saxophone	Grade 3
Sarah	Lewis	Flute	Grade 4
Evelyn	Mills	Flute	Grade 5
Beatrice	Pedley	Descant Recorder	Grade 5
Nina	Slyman	Piano	Grade 2
Hanna	Thoppil Varghese	Piano	Grade 3
Lauren	Bone	Piano	Grade 7
Faryd	Hussain	Piano	Grade 2
Noa	Rochester	Piano	Grade 3
Zinedine	Ayub	Piano	Grade 3
Maya	Shailesh	Piano	Grade 3
Azaan	Mahmood	Piano	Grade 5
Emily	Wray	Piano	Grade 2
Imogen	Gill	Piano	Grade 3
Shamritha	Kumar	Piano	Grade 1
Faria	Ahmad	Piano	Grade 2
Ben	Cooper	B Flat Cornet	Grade 4



Assembly performances

With the return of face-to-face year group assemblies in school, it has been lovely to have student pianists performing as students enter the Hall. Thank you to all who have performed so far.

Mental Health Awareness Day

As part of the Mental Health awareness day on Friday 11th February we had some excellent musical performances in the Hall. It is so good to have live music performances happening again in school and there will be a number of future opportunities for our musicians coming up in the near future.

Trip to London

In July, the Music Department are embarking on a visit to London for an overnight stay. Students from our KS4 music classes and our enrichment groups will be going to see two musicals, Matilda and Wicked. It is an exciting time to be a musician at Crossley Heath as this will be the first of many visit opportunities. If you would like to join any of our enrichment groups in school, please contact Mr Nimmo (r.nimmo@crossleyheath.org.uk)

Maths Challenge successes

We had over 100 students take part in a maths challenge earlier in the year, probably a record even for Crossley Heath students!

Of these, 30 students in years 9-11 achieved a gold award and got through to the follow up Kangaroo paper. This is the largest number of students that we've ever had qualify for the Kangaroo stage!

Thirteen students went on to attain a 'Merit' which means they are in the top 25% nationally of those who qualified for the second challenge. Well done to all who took part:

Seth Graham Om Behera Zain Hamid Zina Kovjanic
Aryan Roychoudhury

Tolisha Warnakulasad

Alex Lakidis Sahil Ahmed Razi Ali

Nazia Bhuyain

Sarah Dean

Lorien Fitzgerald

Finlay Hill Isabelle Horlock

Alex Hoult

Ophelia Muxlow

Alexander Price

Abdul Rahman Faraj

Haris Rathore

Eve Salisbury

Nikash Shinde

Frank Stuart

Phoebe Verry

Bilal Waheed

Lee Youde Edward Young

Daniel Yung





Clinical pathways and alternatives to Medicine

We were grateful for the visit this term from Dr Pip Garner, admissions tutor for Clinical Sciences at the University of Bradford.

Dr Garner spoke to senior students about healthcare careers, degree options and lots of different pathways as possible alternatives to medicine.

We still have a year to go but we are very excited and hoping for excellent conditions in the Mondolé ski area next year. We've been checking the webcams in resort and there is currently some great sking! Fingers crossed next year will be the same when the Crossley Heath ski trip sets off for Italy. Further information for our skiers will follow in the Autumn term. Please refer to the payment schedule sent in November. *Mr Spencer*



Ski Trip 2023



The Mayor and Mayoress of Calderdale pictured with Mrs Cassidy, our speaker Mrs Sharpe and prize winners.

Prize Giving We were really delighted to have had

the opportunity to hold

our Prize Giving event in person at last. The event was originally scheduled for December 2021 but was postponed due to Covid restrictions and the year before had to be a virtual event due to even tighter restrictions at that time.

The evening was a combination of music, speeches, presentations of awards and GSCE and A Level certificates. It was extremely rewarding to see the hard work and dedication of students being celebrated.

Special guests for the evening included the Mayor and Mayoress of Calderdale, Councillor Chris Pillai and Mrs Beverley Krishnapillai, and our guest speaker Mrs Emma Sharpe. Emma is a former student, currently working as Inspector of Historic Buildings and Areas. She reflected fondly on her time at Crossley Heath and shared some useful advice to students for their future. The event was followed by refreshments in the hall and a chance for students and parents to catch up with others. We would like to thank everyone involved for such a wonderful evening.

Onatti German Theatre visit



We were delighted to welcome actors from the Onatti Theatre Company in March to stage the play 'Horoskop' in German for our Year 8 and 9 German students. The

students really enjoyed the play and were thrilled by how much they could understand. This was made possible due to generous funding from the CHA for which the students and staff were very grateful.



World Book Day



On Thursday 3 March, we celebrated the 25th anniversary of World Book Day with a great turnout of costumes from the students, a Fancy Dress Competition and various guizzes and prizes to celebrate the occasion. Fun for all involved and well done to all our students who dressed up for the occasion!

Children's Mental Health week

As part of Children's Mental Health week, our student leaders coordinated lots of fabulous activities including staging a bake sale and musical performances by some of our incredibly talented pupils.

Thank you to everyone for your support - we raised just over £1300 to be shared between A Place 2 Be and our internal wellbeing support provision!

House Karaoke Competition

A real highlight of this past term has to have been our fundraising events held in aid of Comic Relief. Students were entertained in the hall by a series of karaoke performances by staff and students representing each house.

Mr Chesters performed a rendition of Sweet Caroline on behalf of Kings House, Mr Davis sang Bring Me Sunshine for Savile, Ms Rudman and Mr Spencer from Porter made their debut as Dolly Parton and Kenny Rogers with Islands in the Stream and Mr Garbutt rocked the aisles as Freddie Mercury singing Don't Stop Me Now for (fittingly!) Queens House. House Captains and house officials also gave some great renditions of karaoke classics (some filling in at the very last minute!) so much kudos to them. Queens house were crowned ultimate winners by the judges.





A new competition, House chess, has taken place this half term.

Champs Queens take the Chess Champs

House captains were given a brief and

rules for the competition and were invited to put their best teams forward . The competition was co-ordinated by Y11 student Jamie Heritage, who currently has an impressive online ranking of 2400

Various heats took place with Queens and Savile making it through to the final. A convincing win by Queens in the end made the competition theirs with a 4.0 victory.

Make use of the Crossley Heath Careers Fund!



As students embark on the next exciting stages of their life and continue to work towards their future careers, please be aware of the Careers Fund. This fund exists to help present and former pupils of Crossley Heath School to further their chosen career and makes payments each year to suitable applicants.

In the past we have helped our students and former-students with contributions towards internships, challenges, expeditions abroad, theatre companies, charity projects, Olympic training and Medlink courses, to name just a few. If you are undertaking any work experience that will incur a cost, maybe we can help towards it?

If you would like to make an application to the Fund, at any stage of your career either now or in the future, simply drop a line to the Secretary, Hazel Clayton, at hazelclayton42@hotmail.co.uk and let us know what you're planning. All applications are confidential.

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CROSS COUNTRY

Well done to Isabel Richardson in year 12 who finished in 30th position and first over the line for West Yorkshire in the recent English Schools Cross Country Championships. She also helped the Senior girls team finish in 2nd place overall behind Surrey.



Another of our students Alex Burke, (7A) also ran a fantastic race to finish in a creditable 16th place in the Nationals Cross Country Championships. He ran one of his fastest cross-country times against a very strong field and was the first to finish for his West Yorkshire team.

Both students had represented School, then Calderdale and finally West Yorkshire to compete against the best runners in the Country, a great achievement. Well done Alex and Isabel.

GIRLS RUGBY

Lucy Greg (Year 11) was chosen to represent the Yorkshire Centre of Excellence in a recent festival and along with Ella Booth (Y12) both have been selected to represent Yorkshire U18s in the up coming County season.



U16 GIRLS' FOOTBALL

We have a lot of girls who participate in football outside school for clubs and play at a very good level, so it has been great for our students to be able to take part in football festivals, playing against other school teams in the area, at both U₁₃ and U₁₆ age groups.

In our latest tournament, our U16 squad consisted of a number of girls from years 9-11, all of whom had played separately but not with each

other. We beat Rastrick 4 – 2 with goals from Vaega Hussain, Olivia Conway, Saarah Khalil and Cody Harrison. Off the back of our first win. the girls went into the next game against North Halifax with some confidence. There was some excellent defence from Sophie Lote and Martha Hodgson. Grace Redfearn also made some key saves in goal. There were goals from Vaega Hussain and Erin

McGrath. We went on to win the second game 2 –o.
Well done to all the girls who participated and we hope that we will be able to continue with the girls'

football festivals next season.

U13

The U13 Girls' football squad have also taken part in four festivals this term and have had some success with the girls enjoying the opportunity to play against other schools and showing improvement in skill level and

confidence. There has been some outstanding play

Reshem Noor, Hana Suleman in defence and midfield, with Alexia Warburton scoring several goals up front.

NETBALL

We have had a really committed group of girls attending netball practices and matches this year. It has been fantastic to see so many attending each week and great to see many girls

joining outside netball clubs.

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Our A and B teams have won out of matches played this year and show a lot of talent and have been a real pleasure to coach. In the Calderdale tournament held at school last week, the A team squad played exceptionally well to beat Trinity, Brighouse High

and Rishworth comfortably in the qualifying round.

In the semi finals they beat Lightcliffe Academy by 10 goals to secure a place in the final, where they faced a talented North Halifax team. In a very

close match, our neighbouring Grammar school finished on top winning by 6 goals to 4. Well done to the squad: Elodee Walker-Watene, Alexia Warburton. Madison McMurdo, Darcy Farnell, Mathilda Clark, Emily Daniels, Maysa Aliyer, Imogen Gill and Zara

Blanchard. Congratulations to Emily Daniels who has been training and playing for the Calderdale U13 squad too

U13

Both the A and B teams have had mixed results with wins against Trinity Academy, Calder High and Lightcliffe Academy. Full credit should be given to their enthusiasm and commitment with over 35 plus girls attending weekly practices. Congratulations to

Cindy Wang, Melody Wang and Caitlin Philips who were selected for Calderdale U13 squad and have been training and playing for Calderdale in the District Tournaments.



Between our A and B teams, we have won 7 out of our 9 fixtures this year. We went to the Calderdale netball tournament with both A and B teams. Our B team played some excellent netball and were very close at taking a few wins but just missed out by 1 goal in a number of close games. The A team played some great netball against the likes of Rishworth, Trinity and Brighouse. They were runners up in their group, which put them through to the semi-final. We



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played Brooksbank but missed out on a place in the final. The girls should be proud of themselves for getting this far and for commitment and good sportsmanship they have demonstrated this season.

Well done to Martha Hodgson and Olivia King for gaining a place on the Calderdale U15 squad and to Iris Kerrigan for representing West Yorkshire.

RUGBY

There have been some real highlights since the Christmas break as rugby continued through the term.

The Y10s took on the 7s circuit for the first time, competing at Bradford GS, Ampleforth and The Kings School, Macclesfield under the hospitality of our former staff member Mr Hetherington, now their Director of Rugby.

The boys performed well, a team blessed with real pace across the backs, Adam



Dakin, Joe Tuton and Will Cullen complemented by the guile of Oliver Gill and Isaac Burton-Wilson. Up front were Henry Codd, Ed Overend, Ethan Wells, Aaryan Grewel and Harry Freeth. The squad was completed by Rocco De Vittoris, Oliver Daniel, George Halsall and Josiah Suratos.

Pictured above are the boys picking up their medals from Mr Hetherington as runners up in the Plate final, narrowly losing to Northern power house school, Kirkham.

GIRLS RUGBY

Girls rugby is back up and running. Our near friends and counterparts Whitcliffe Mount came for a joint training session and some games (pictured right)



YEAR 11

The Y11 boys are currently riding high in the Yorkshire Schools RL Plate, currently waiting to play their semi final with success providing a finals day at Hull University towards the end of April.

Captain Curtis Taylor (Siddal)
manages his charges well, amongst
those are the Greetland players
Ethan Queenan, Riley Keegan, James
Duffy, Owen Lodge, Dan McLeod
and Dylan Singleton.

FIRST XV

Finally, a most fitting setting for the Y13's to sign off on their school careers. The 1st XV reached the Final of the Yorkshire Schools Cup, coming from behind to defeat Ripon GS, Joe Greenwood finishing well for 2 tries. In the final they played a very strong Harrogate GS. CH were besieged by



misfortune, North of England trialist Ben Roscoe damaging a shoulder very early on, the bounce of a ball, the blow of a whistle going against them.

Despite this with 10 minutes remaining the lead was 13-12 to Crossley Heath, however a fortuitous bounce (and then to be fair a wonderful tackle) from their England U18 player (Freddie Yates) led to the matchwinning try.

Disappointing, but the boys gave their all and left with their heads held high. Captain Benedict Freeman led from the front, included in the pictures is one of all the Y13s who started together in Y7. We are very proud of you all and hope you continue your rugby journeys.



Term Dates

Closed for INSET Monday 25 April Re-opens: Tuesday 26 April Closed (May day): Monday 2 May

Closes Half Term: Friday 27 May Re-open: Monday 6 June

Inset Day (closed to students): Friday 24 June

Closes End of Term: Thursday 21 July

2022 Calendar



25 Apr INSET - school closed to students

28 Junior Maths Challenge

29 ABRSM exams

3 May Y11/13 orals this week

4 CHA meeting 7pm

5 Y12 Parents Evening (SchoolCloud)

6 Non uniform day & charity bun sale

8 Netball Trip

11 Y7/8 PD sessions

12 Y8/9 RSE workshop

13 CHA Quiz night. Y11 study leave begins.

16 GCSE exams commence and Y7 exams week

20 Y13 study leave begins

23 Y8 Exams week

27 French Theatre play. School closes.

6 June Jubilee Day in school

7 Y9 vaccinations

8 CHA meeting 7pm

9 Y7 Science trip

13 Y12 Mid Course exams begin

14 Y9 vaccinations

16 7A/B/C parents' evening

21 11+ Open Evening

22 Y9 Geography trip

24 INSET - school closed to students

New Y7 transition parents' evening

28 7D/E/F parents' evening

29 Y12 Geography residential

30 Diversity Day



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PTA News

The CHPTA would like to thank all parents that have supported us over the last few months, particularly at the Winter Fayre where we raised over $\pounds 6,000$. Due to your generosity we have been able to provide school with the following this term:

Scientific equipment for Biology

Mental Health workshops and support for Y12-13

Gym mats - German and French language theatre productions

Laptops for SEN students - New saws for Engineering

New fridge for Food Technology

Family Quiz Night, 13th May

It has not been possible to run many events over the last couple of years due to Covid restrictions, however, we are delighted that we will be holding the ever-popular **Family Quiz Night** on 13^{th} May. Tickets cost £9 per person or £30 for a team of 4 (includes supper) available on ParentPay now. Further information will be emailed to you.

Volunteers Needed

We always need more volunteers, from running a stall for a couple of hours, to co-ordinating events or being a member of the committee. A few of the current committee members will be moving on shortly and we need more parents or carers to take over the reins so the good work can continue. If you would like to get involved and help to make a difference for our students, why not come along to one of our monthly meetings, or email cha@crossleyheath.org.uk.



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Collect your exam certificates!

Please can parents of current Y12 students (and any Y11 & Y13 leavers who may have siblings perhaps?) make sure they come and collect their GCSE (or A level) exam certificates if they didn't attend the school's Prizegiving event this week. Students may need their certificates sooner than they think and it will be easier than coming back to school in years to come to look for them! Just come to the school office and we will sort them out for you. The office will be open over the Easter holiday.

Finance News

Please ensure that you check ParentPay regularly for new trips, instalment payments due, and resources etc., which will require paying for, and also keep your

child's catering account topped up. Please ensure that there are sufficient funds on student accounts to enable them to have lunch on their return after Easter.

Finally to all Music Tuition students a reminder that Summer Term fees are now due.

Many thanks - The Finance Team