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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our latest newsletter, we hope you enjoy finding out what our staff and students have been up to this week.

As usual, school has been a hive of activity with many exciting things to report! 12 of our students visited the Etihad Stadium in Manchester for the start of a social enterprise project, co-ordinated by Envision. The project will last approximately 8 months. The students have to identify and run a social enterprise activity reaching as many people as possible. With the strap line, 'Be the Change', we are excited to see how their ideas develop.

We had the first House Competitions of the year this week, with a wide variety of activities on offer including, football, mindfulness activities, scrabble, comic design, creating paper rollercoasters and dance, to name but a few.

Year 7 students are getting ready for the Mindset Trip next week. With a focus around building strong relationships and resilience, it will be a great way to round off their first half term at Co-op Academy Priesthorpe.

Have a great weekend.

*Martin Blacoe*

Mr Martin Blacoe, Principal.



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### **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October**

Y7 Mindset Trip – Group 1

### **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October**

Y7 Mindset Trip – Group 2

### **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October**

Y7 Mindset Trip – Group 3

### **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October**

School Closes for Half-term

### **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November**

School Opens – 8am

### **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November**

Y11 Parents' Evening

### **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**

Training Day – School Closed



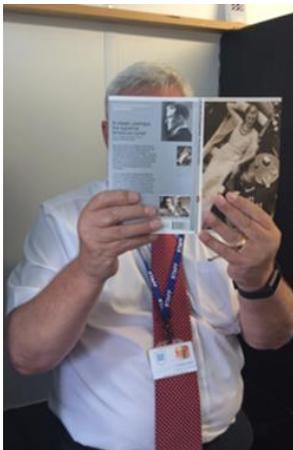
## Everybody Reading in Class

Can you guess which staff member is enjoying reading their book?



### This weeks recommended read – Miss Welford

The Little Stranger is a 2009 gothic novel written by Sarah Waters. It is a ghost story set in a dilapidated mansion in Warwickshire, England in the 1940s. Waters' fifth novel features a male narrator, a country doctor who makes friends with an old gentry's family of declining fortunes who own a very old estate that is crumbling around them. The stress of reconciling the state of their finances with the familial responsibility of keeping the estate coincides with perplexing events, which may or may not be of supernatural origin, culminating in tragedy. I loved how atmospheric, tense and impressive this novel was. A fantastic read.



Last week's reader was ...

*Mr Wiggins from our  
Inclusion Unit!*



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## Attendance Matters

Better 3 hours too  
soon than a minute  
too late

William Shakespeare

**Y7 – 96%**

Y8 – 95.6%

Y9 – 94.6 %

Y10 -95.3%

Y11 – 93.1%

### Overall School Attendance

**95%**



## Reminder – Work Experience – Y10 & Y12



All outstanding Interest Forms and OP1 Forms are due in by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October. They need to be handed in to Mrs Davis in the OLC. If you are unsure or have any questions, please speak to Mrs Davis before the deadline.

### Priesthorpe's Science Ambassadors Team

A selection of Y8 science students attended a special training event run by the Institute of Physics to become Science Ambassadors.

The training involved developing skills around problem solving, communication and presentation. To complete the course, they had to work with students from other schools and present scientific ideas to them, this was not an easy task.

The ambassadors will be taking the lead in some future school and classroom activities. They are particularly keen to help with next year's new arrivals on transition day.



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## What's on at school?

### Student School Lunch Accounts

Please can parents note that the Reval Machines which take cash for the pupil lunch accounts **do not take £20 notes.**

### Notice from our Canteen Staff

From Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October our canteen will be serving both Halal and Non Halal meat at the curry and pasta counters.



## The Scholars Programme

An encouraging number of students from Y9 and Y10 applied for this year's Scholar's Programme. Students went through a rigorous interview process, which started with writing a letter of application. From that, students were shortlisted for interview. The interview task showcased very high standards of teamwork and communication from all students. Unfortunately there were only 6 places from each year group available. After much deliberation, the successful candidates received a letter this Monday offering them a place on the Programme.

Congratulation to the following students;

### Year 9

Alex, Kiran, Ifra, Kamran, Akshay & Kiara

### Year 10

Habeebah, Aleena, Kelsie, Daria, Haroon, Urwah

The students will be attending the launch event at the University of Sheffield next Thursday and will be introduced to the PhD student that will be guiding them through their project over the next coming months.

A massive well done to ALL the students that applied this year, the standards seen were extremely high and it was very encouraging to see so many making the decision to apply.

## KS3 Academic Mentoring

Our highly successful KS3 Academic Mentoring Programme has begun this week and students are relishing the chance to have support from the mentoring team in order to improve their own learning. Students will be meeting with staff to support them in making strong progress in all their subjects. Well done to all students who are involved.



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Please support our students Jay, Hannah and Kai as they raise money for the world jamboree!



Deeva Fundraiser



Come and enjoy a curry and fun afternoon at

Deeva Indian restaurant Farsley.

We are raising funds to send 3 Farsley Scouts and 1 Farsley Leader to the World Scout Jamboree in America



£15 per adult, £7.50 per child aged 3-10,  
under 3 free for a 2 course meal  
Various stalls and games  
21st of October @2.30pm till 5pm

COME ALONG AND SUPPORT US ON

OUR ADVENTURE TO AMERICA

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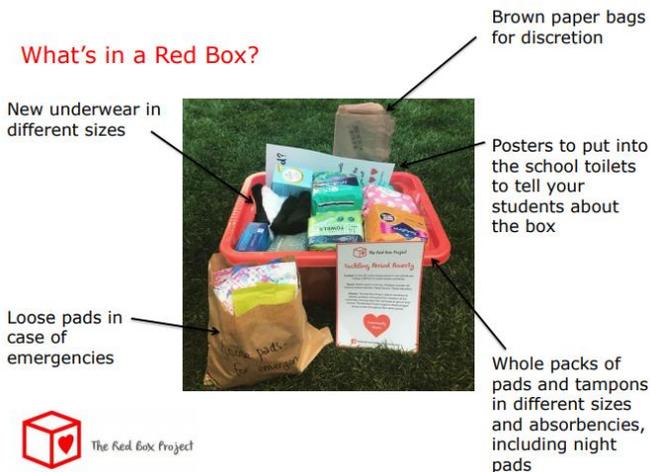
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CONTEMPORARY INDIAN CUISINE

## The Red Box Project



Period Poverty is becoming a wide spread issue and effecting many female students across the UK. We believe all young people deserve equal access to education, therefore our Academy is supporting 'The Red Box Project'.

Over the coming weeks we will fill our Red Box with a range of sanitary products and donations. Once full, this box will be available to our students.



## Post 16 – Friendly Match

It was great to see Post 16 students so enthusiastic about an extra-curricular football game this week! Our Y13 pupils played against Y12s in a great game. Our Y13's won the match 4-1! Is a re-match needed?



Did you know? You can follow our PE department on Twitter and get the results as they happen!

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Department

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