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Dear Parents/Carers

A group of our Year 12 students scooped a number of prizes at the prestigious LEAP Awards on Wednesday evening including the Innovation Award, Best Financial Report, Best Trade Stand and Best Marketing Award. Taber won the Outstanding Student Achiever and was invited to close the evening.

LEAP is a registered charity and 'not for profit organisation', which supports schools and mentors their students in setting up a business for an academic year.

Students practise decision-making and problem solving. They develop interpersonal skills, work as member of a team and become self-managers.

By participating in the LEAP programme, seminars and competitions, students develop confidence and employability skills, and become better prepared for employment or University interviews. Some even use this insight as a stepping-stone to developing their own business. LEAP is just one of the exciting enrichment activities offered as part of our Sixth Form provision. For more information about the full range of activities available please see the prospectus on our website or contact our Study Support Manager, Miss Jackson or Key Stage 5 Leader, Mrs Brigham.

Have a great weekend.

Martin Blacoe

Mr Martin Blacoe, Principal.



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Friday 3rd May

School Closes at 3pm

Tuesday 7th May

School Opens – 8am

Friday 24th May

School Closes at 3pm

Monday 3rd June

School Opens – 8am

Tuesday 11th June

House Competitions 5

2.30pm – 3.30pm

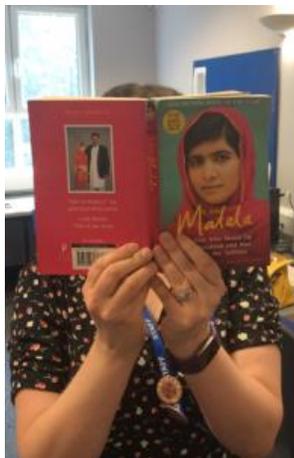
Monday 17th June

Y9 Exams begin



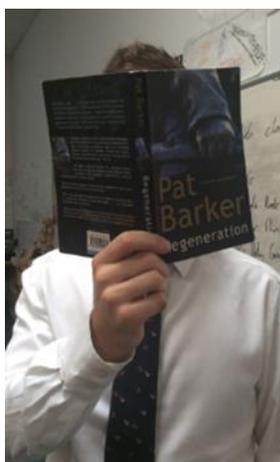
Everybody Reading in Class

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



This weeks recommended read – Mrs Brant

The Kingkiller Chronicle is an ongoing fantasy series by Patrick Rothfuss, telling the story of Kvothe, an adventurer and famous musician. Much of the story is narrated by Kvothe in first person as he tells his autobiography to a scribe. It is the first fantasy book that I've read and it's like Harry Potter crossed with 'The Hunger Games'.



Last week's reader was ...

Mr Martin from our English Department!



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Attendance Matters

Better 3 hours too soon than a minute too late

William Shakespeare

Y7 – 95.8%

Y8 – 95.3%

Y9 – 94.2%

Y10 - 95.3%

Y11 – 93.4%

Overall School Attendance

94.8%



Media Studies Trip Y9 & Y10

On Tuesday, a group of our Y9 & Y10 Media Studies students visited the Bradford Science and Media Museum.

The aim of the visit was to give the opportunity for students to experience first-hand all different forms of media, by enhancing their understanding we are hoping this reflects when the students complete their coursework. Students were able to explore all elements of media including; life online, TV experience, Kodak Gallery, Animation, games lounge and the new wonder lab which they were all really excited about and really enjoyed.

Mrs Ahmad- Sheikh said; "The highlight of the day was the Imax 3D movie that we watched called 'Walking with the Dinosaurs'. The students were a credit to the school, as they were really well behaved and reflected on a lot of the media elements."



Singing Workshop



Earlier in the week, 20 students from Y7-Y10 joined 150 other students from all around Leeds at Pudsey Civic Hall to take part in a singing workshop led by Craig Anthony Lees.

Craig is a lecturer at Leeds College of Music and an advocate of Livingvocally.org.

Mrs Brant, Head of Music said; "Students sang two songs and it sounded amazing! If your child was involved and enjoyed it or your child would like to look at singing opportunities at Leeds College of Music please visit the letters section of the school website to see what's on offer."





Thank you to all parents who have supported us by using Parentpay to make payments for trips, tickets and dinners. It is a huge help to us by improving efficiency and reducing the risk of money loss. However, there are still a number of parents sending cash into school. We are unable to accept cash going forward and would ask all parents to register a Parentpay account as soon as possible. Please see Mrs Weldon in Reception to get a logon.

If you are unable to access Parentpay, we can offer a payment card as an alternative, which can be topped up at a number of local shops. The card does not require access to the internet or a bank account. Again, please see Mrs Weldon to order a card.

A number of students owe money on their dinner money accounts, meaning that they can no longer have school dinners. In order to help parents settle these balances, we have removed the minimum payment amount which was set on Parentpay. You can now pay any amount from 1p!
 Thank you – Co-op Academy Priesthorpe Finance Department.



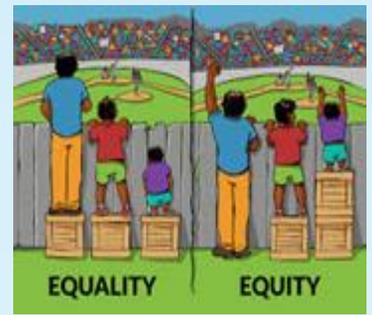
Extra-curricular timetable PE April-July 2019

All clubs will run after school for 1 hour and require appropriate PE kit. Meet in the sports block.

DAY	ACTIVITY
MONDAY	Rugby – Yr7/8 Rounders – all years
TUESDAY	Football – Yr9
WEDNESDAY	Staff meetings
THURSDAY	Athletics – all years Cricket – all years to start after May half term

PE Revision timetable

DAY	ACTIVITY
MONDAY	Yr9 Sports Science revision T1 – Exam on 15 th May
TUESDAY	Yr10 Sports Science revision S1 – Exam on 15 th May
WEDNESDAY	Staff meetings
THURSDAY	Yr11 GCSE PE revision S1 – Exam on 17 th May



Post 16 LEAP Business Enterprise Project 2019

On Wednesday a group of our Y12 students attended the LEAP Annual Awards at The Grammar School, Leeds.

The students who have been involved in the LEAP Business Enterprise Project since November joined together to celebrate their achievements and to share their journey with others.

The students were tasked with setting up and running their own company, attending Trade Fairs and keeping financial profit and loss accounts, which they have successfully done throughout the past few months.

The group who had chosen the company name: L.U.X.E, consisted of Shameer, Tabeer, Sana, Ammaar, Lutfiyah, Hafsa, Adil, Mohammed, Mohammed, Uzair and Inaam. Team L.U.X.E were awarded a number of the LEAP awards which recognised their hard work, vision and perseverance.

Miss Jackson, P16 Student Support Manager, said; "This is the first time in a number of years that Co-op Academy Priesthorpe have taken part in the LEAP Business Enterprise Project and the students have worked independently and tirelessly to create, not only a fantastically unique product, but who have, at every level represented the school in an exceptionally professional manner.

Congratulations to all students involved; you have done yourselves and the school extremely proud!"



Awards won by L.U.X.E



- Judged "Best Trade Stand" on the night
- 2nd Place Trade Stand at the Merrion Centre Trade Fair – 9th February
- Special Award – Outstanding Student Achievement – Tabeer
- 1st Place - Innovation Award
- 1st Place – Best Overall Marketing
- Joint 1st Place – Best Financial Report/Accounts
- Joint 3rd Place – Best Overall Company



Our Inter-generational Community Afternoons

We have recently hosted two inter-generational afternoons which have been organised by our school council and a group of student ambassadors. Students thoroughly enjoyed planning the event and interacting with the older people. Over 30 older people attended each afternoon and really enjoyed the array of entertainment on offer.

The event consisted of numerous activities and performances including a music quiz, bingo, a drama and dance performance as well as a sing along. Our Y10 Food technology students also prepared a lovely buffet that the older people really enjoyed. A big well done and thank you for organising the catering.

Ms Nicolas said; "When I dropped the older people off on Tuesday afternoon a couple of the ladies said to me this was the best event they had ever attended. Our students represented our school fantastically and we are all really proud of them."

