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Dear Parents/Carers,

Next Wednesday evening we will be holding our annual Presentation Evening. This is one of the highlights in the Academy calendar, where we celebrate the many and varied achievements of our students. The theme running through the event is achievement underpinned by effort and resilience. The journey rather than the final destination is the critical element when striving for excellence. Mistakes, and learning from them, are very much part of this journey.

On a personal note, my highlight of the evening is the presentation of our Achievement in the Face of Adversity Award. For some students, there are multiple obstacles and challenges beyond school to overcome, before they even begin their educational development. I continue to be humbled by how they meet these challenges head-on, and realise fabulous achievements in the process.

I am delighted that the Co-op Academies Trust's new Director, Chris Tomlinson, will be our Key Speaker at the event. It will be very interesting to hear Chris' thoughts around the future direction and development of the Trust, as well as his own personal educational values and beliefs.

Have a great weekend.

*Martin Blacoe*

Mr Martin Blacoe, Principal.



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**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July**

*Y10 Geography Trip 1 – Leeds*

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July**

*Y10 Geography Trip 2 – Leeds*

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July**

*Presentation Evening*

*6.30pm – 8.30pm*

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July**

*KS3 Trip to The Deep - Hull*

*Return to school at 4pm*

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July**

*School Closes for Summer*

*(School finishes at approx.*

*12 o'clock)*

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August**

*A-level Results Day*

*(9am – 12 o'clock)*

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August**

*GCSE Results Day*

## The Scholars Programme

On Wednesday, 12 Y7 and Y8 students attended their Scholars Programme Graduation Ceremony at the University of Leeds. The day started with a chance to find out a little more about the university application process and the vast amount of options that are out there in terms of universities and courses. Students then had the chance to ask current undergraduate students any question they wanted to further enhance their knowledge about the opportunities university could provide.



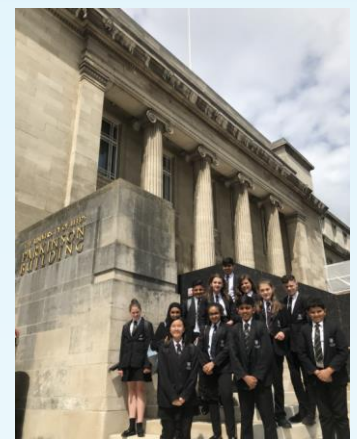
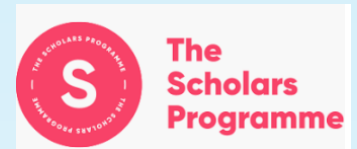
It was then time for some reflection. Over the past 4 months, students have been working hard alongside their PhD student whilst studying communicable diseases and in particular malaria and influenza. Students learnt about mapping infection parameters and actions that should be taken to stop further spreading of a disease to prevent a pandemic. Students attended weekly tutorials with their PhD student not only studying scientific content but also vital study skills such as referencing, how to research and academic writing. With the expert help of Ms McKenzie our OLC manager, students explored books and websites for their assignment. Throughout this process students demonstrated magnificent resilience!



Students graduated in front of University of Leeds lecturers, PhD mentors and their peers and were welcomed on stage to accept their certificates accompanied by a round of applause by all!

***Congratulations to our class of 2019!***

## They did it!



## UKMT Intermediate Maths Challenge

Back in April, 30 of our Y7 and Y8 pupils took part in this year's UKMT Intermediate Maths Challenge. Students had 60 minutes to answer 25 varied multiple choice mathematical problems. High scorers were awarded certificates to recognise their success in mathematics. Well done to those who took part!



## Well Done to our Numeracy Quiz Winners for this half term!



Well done to,  
 Muhammad (Y7)  
 Laney (Y8)  
 Ricardo (Y9)  
 Ella (Y10)

## Please help us to keep our students safe.



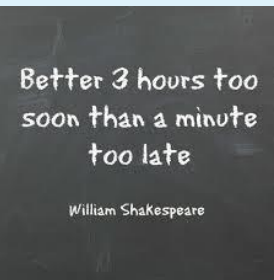
### **POLITE SAFETY NOTICE**

Can we please remind parents/carers NOT to turn right at the bottom of the school drive. We have recently had reports this is becoming a regular occurrence. Please help us to keep our students safe by only turning left when leaving school site.



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## **Attendance Matters**



- Y7 – 96%**
- Y8 – 95.1%**
- Y9 – 94.1%**
- Y10 -95.3%**
- Y11 – 93%**

## **Overall School Attendance**

**94.8%**





## Sports Day 2019



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Our Sports Day took place earlier this week.

Although it was a gloomy afternoon and we did have some showers, our students all performed and behaved brilliantly.

The overall winners this year were

## **ENNIS**

**Ennis** knocked **Jones-Buchanan** off of the top spot to claim the trophy and title for 2019.

Well done to everyone who took part in an event. Everyone had a really enjoyable day.



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## Fiesta Mexicana

Miss Forster and her Y8 Set 1 Spanish class organised a Mexican Fiesta on Monday which they held on the picnic tables in the playground. Some staff received individual invitations written by our students, but the event was open to all staff who could drop by.

Staff who received invitations were encouraged to reply back in Spanish.

There was food, drinks and games provided. All students behaved well and really got in the spirit of the theme.



## Our Training Days for 2019/2020

- Monday 2nd September 2019 – Training Day 1
- Friday 25th October 2019 – Training Day 2
- Friday 22nd November 2019 – Training Day 3
- Monday 25th November 2019 – Training 4
- Monday 6th January 2020 – Training Day 5
- Friday 17th July 2020 - School Closes for Summer

## Looking for a Sixth Form place for September 2019?

**We have some spaces left in our P16 Provision!**

If you are interested in joining us, please contact our P16 Team.

[sixthformsupport@pries-thorpe.org](mailto:sixthformsupport@pries-thorpe.org)

You can apply online too. Visit our website and fill in the application form. Or if easier please click the link to take you to the '[Join Us – P16 Page](#)'.



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