

#### Dear Parents,

As we get closer to the end of this first term, I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your support in quickly responding to the changes in Government guidance and the reintroduction of Covid measures in school. Although this has resulted in some disruption to our planned calendar of parent events, we are hoping to hold as many as possible where we can ensure adequate social distancing or are able to deliver them over Teams. If you do attend any of the events in school, may we please ask that you remember to wear a face covering at all times.

Please keep checking our parent events calendar, and I hope to see many more of you at our events in the future.

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### 1. The Week Ahead: Week Commencing Monday 6th December 2021

Weekly Assembly Theme				
Assembly theme	This week: Radicalisation			
	Next week: International Day for Persons with Disabilities			
Day	Session	For	Time	Location
Monday				
Tuesday	Religious Studies:	Y10/11 parents and	F 20 6 20pm	Virtual via
	Understanding GCSE Themes	students	5.30-6.30pm	Teams
Wednesday				
Thursday	Oral Hygiene Workshop	Reception Parents	8.45-9.15am	Hall
	SEND Drop-in Sessions	SEND Primary Parents	2.45-3.45pm	Classroom
Friday				

## 2. GCSE Religious Studies Parent Event

Tuesday 7th December. 5.30-6.30pm via Teams.

Parents are invited to discuss GCSE Theme A: Religion and Human Relationships, which Year 11 will be studying after the mock examinations. Primarily this is for the parents of GCSE RS students currently in Year 11, but parents of GCSE RS students in Year 10 are also welcome as their daughters will cover this content next year.

The link to the Team meeting will be sent to your daughter prior to the event. To access the meeting, your daughter should join the team meeting in the same way that she did when accessing live lessons.

### 3. The Leading Parent Partnership Award (LPPA)

As we continue to look towards raising achievement by involving parents and carers in the work of our school we are now using the Leading Parent Partnership Award (LPPA) to help strengthen our school's partnership with parents. LPPA is a national award that will provide us with a valuable school improvement tool and also give us recognition for our commitment to working with parents and will help us achieve these long-term benefits:

- contribute to improved pupil attendance, punctuality, behaviour and progress
- increase parent participation and involvement
- · enhance parents' support in their children's learning
- improve communication between home and school.

Next week we will be sending further information about the award, with details of how parents can get involved by completing our short survey as a start point to evaluate how we currently engage with parents. In the meantime, if you would like to read about the award, please visit: <u>Leading Parent Partnership Award</u>

#### 4. Christmas Lunch

A highlight in our school calendar in the last week of term is always the school Christmas lunch. This year we will be holding two sittings: Senior pupils - Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December and Lady Royd pupils - Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December.

If your child currently brings a packed lunch but wants the Christmas dinner, please ensure you notify the school by **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December.** Parents of primary pupils should contact Mrs Meares in the primary school office, and senior pupils should inform their form tutor. The cost of the Christmas lunch is £2.35 and parents can pay via ParentPay. Children receiving free school meals will not be required to pay for the lunch.

# 5. Primary Parent Notice

From Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December can we please ask that parents drop their children off at the entrance to the playground rather than coming into the playground. As we reintroduce some of the Covid measures, we want to make sure that we do not have large groups of people gathering within the school grounds.

Hope you have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

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