

Heworth Grange School

Dear parents and carers,

Happy Thursday everyone, I hope you are all well.

Attendance update

We continue to improve and as always thank you for your support ensuring your child is in school every day. This is a long half term, and we must not reduce our efforts but our whole school attendance from September has increased to 90.3% from 90.23% last week, this may not sound like a lot, but it is a huge effort from everyone to move 0.07% in one week. We still need to keep moving forward to get to our target of 96%, but remember we are all in this together and please remember to reach out if you need any support. Our students are put into a draw every week if they have 100% attendance. This is to have a chance to win either a tablet, signed football or an amazon voucher. The more weeks they have 100%, the more tickets they have in the draw and the more chance they have of winning! Year 11 are also in a draw for a free leaver's hoodie or paid for prom ticket, but everyone has to be in it to win it! Remember, if they want to be part of the World Cup viewing on Monday, they must continue to have 100% attendance.

Careers events

This week twelve Year 10 pupils studying BTEC Travel or BTEC Enterprise took part in a British Airways Webinar from 5pm - 6pm. Our young people were a credit to the school, showing enthusiasm and dedication throughout the session. I would like to pass on a huge well done for their commitment to learning and passion for the subject. Next week assemblies are all about careers.

Consilium Awards

Last Friday we attended the Consilium Awards event at Elland Road Stadium and TeamHG would like to extend a huge well done to all our student and staff nominees and congratulations to Mesk Idie for winning the student Equity award and to Melak Ayoob for being runner up for the Partnerships award. Ms Rennie won the category for the Excellence awards and Mr Morris was runner up in the Partnerships award category.

Anti-Bullying Week

Remember this week all the assemblies have been about raising awareness of bullying, what it is, how we can stop it and where to get help. We have also asked students to come forward as Anti-Bullying ambassadors and I am delighted to say we have a large number of students who feel they can step into this role. We look forward to their training and then seeing them supporting other students. Thank you to everyone who has out themselves forward.

Children In Need

Finally, a reminder that we have our Tuck Shop on Friday the 18th for Children in Need. Please hand any donations of cakes, sweets, chocolate, or biscuits to Mrs Anderson ready for the Tuck Shop at break and lunchtime. If you have any spare change, please can you ask your child to bring it in so that they can buy from the Tuck Shop before it sells out and donate to a very good cause at the same time.

Have a lovely weekend. We hope your interaction with school is a positive one but if you have any issues please let us know by telephone or through an email to <u>heworthgrangeenquiries@consilium-at.com</u>. We feel it is good to talk and we always want to sort out any issues by talking but if you do need to have something looked into further you can find the complaints policy here <u>https://www.heworthgrange.org/page/?title=Policies&pid=22</u>.

Best wishes,

Ms A Denholm Headteacher

