



**Please ensure the following notices are read out to all pupils at Registration**

**ASSEMBLIES:** No assemblies this week

**EVENTS:**

**KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

<b>S1</b>	
Parents' Evening	Wednesday 25 October – 4.30-7.00pm
Report Issued	Friday 4 April
<b>S2</b>	
Parents' Evening	Wednesday 13 December – 4.30-7.00pm
Report Issued	Wednesday 24 January
<b>S3</b>	
Parents' Evening	Wednesday 14 March – 4.30-7.00pm
Report Issued	Monday 12 March
<b>S4</b>	
Parents' Evening	Thursday 15 February or Wednesday 21 February – 4.30-7.00pm
Report Issued	Friday 17 November
<b>S5</b>	
Parents' Evening	Thursday 15 February or Wednesday 21 February – 4.30-7.00pm
Report Issued	Friday 8 December
<b>S6</b>	
Parents' Evening	Thursday 15 February or Wednesday 21 February – 4.30-7.00pm
Report Issued	Friday 8 December

**Spotlight on Rights**

Please consider how the simple action that goes with this right would help respect your own or other people's rights

<b>UN CRC Article</b>	<b>Simple Action</b>
<p><b>Article 29</b> (goals of education) Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. It must encourage the child's respect for human rights, as well as respect for their parents, their own and other cultures, and the environment.</p>	<p>Give 100% effort with all the different tasks you are given in all of your subjects this week.</p>

**Car Park:** Parents are reminded that the dropping off, and picking up of children from the school carpark, or at the front door of the school, is prohibited at the start **and** end of the school day. Exceptions are made if pupils are carrying heavy musical instruments or have a medical condition. If there is a medical reason, please contact Pupil Support to discuss.



**Pupil Safety:** Pupils are reminded that they must not walk through the carpark at any time during the day. They must use the footpath from the school building down to the gate for buses or to be collected by car.

**Jak Trueman Challenge Cup:** On Sunday 15 April, our fourth consecutive Jak Trueman football match will take place at Livingston Stadium with staff (and some former staff and pupils) going up against the Forth One Allstars. Kick-off is scheduled for 1pm. All proceeds and donations, as always, go to the TeamJak Foundation (our local charity this year). Tickets are £5 for adults, £3 for High School pupils and Primary/younger children go free with a fee-paying adult. As well as special guests there will be merchandise, goodies, refreshments and a 50:50 draw.

**Canteen Cash Machines:** The canteen supervisor has asked that pupils refrain from using the old £1 coin and £10 notes in the cash machines in the dining hall.

**Study Guides:** The House Captains are organising a donation point in the library for seniors or staff to hand in study guides, past paper books etc that they are no longer using. These books will be given to young people who do not



have their own copies and perhaps don't have the means to purchase them. To support this initiative, Mrs Moore would be very grateful if S4-S6 tutors could promote this with their classes, asking pupils to pass their old books to Mrs Vennall in the library. If any of your own children have study guides they are no longer using we'd be very grateful of these too. Thanks in advance for your support of this initiative!

**How to Study:** Our house captains are kindly offering How to Study advice sessions for our S4, S5 & S6 pupils. In each of the sessions, the house captains will share practical ideas as well as study techniques that have worked for them in the past both at N5 and Higher. The sessions will take place in Mrs Bamber's English room from 1.40pm - 2.00pm on 20 and Wednesday 21 March. The content of each session will be different, so pupils can attend all four. If pupils have any questions, please direct them to Mrs Moore.

**Sponsored Sports Night:** It's that time of year again! This years' Sponsored Sports Night will take place on Friday the 13 April. This is an annual tradition at West Calder HS and all students from S1-6 are invited along to take part in an evening of sporting activities of your choice (for the last time in this building!). This event will raise money for state of the art new equipment for our PE department in our new school and ensure that we offer you all as many different activities as we possibly can once we make the move. This is a great chance to socialise and compete within the school building without the stresses of class work, and the chance to help make a difference to your school. Please see the PE department for your sponsor sheets and EE2 forms!

**Free Golf Lessons:** Active Schools in partnership with Harburn Golf Club are offering **free** golf lessons on Friday afternoons starting 13 April. Transport will be provided to and from school along with all equipment needed. **Places are limited. To book your place please see Mr Lord in the PE staff base.**

**Polbeth Community:** A Facebook page has been created for Polbeth Community. This page is being used to share a collection of local directory, events and news for the Polbeth area. Join-up, link-in, like, use, post and update. It's the community's site. Facebook - @PolbethCommunityHub

**Booze You Looze:** Booze You Loose for All S1-S6 pupils has started again. Every Friday at East Calder Xcite Leisure from 1.30pm - 4.30pm

**Use of Classrooms:** English Rooms are totally out of bounds to pupils before school and at breaks and lunch. Use of any rooms should be with the express permission of the teacher.

**Fire Exit outside Connect Hub:** Can tutors please stress to pupils that they should not be using the Fire Exit outside the Connect Hub to exit the building at any time

**Behaviour on School Buses:** All pupils are reminded that the expectations of behaviour on the school buses is the same as in the school building. Prefects will be looking out for bullying or misbehaviour and if pupils witness negative conduct they should put a report in the bullying box in the Pupil Support Base

**Parent Council:** The next meeting of the Parent Council is scheduled to take place on Monday 16 April

#### Tip of the Week

Study in a well-lit place with no distractions and have all the things you will need read, such as paper, pens, a calculator.

#### Quote of the Week

Every success is built on the ability to do better than good enough.