

11th February 2022

## Messages from the Headteacher

<u>Pre-loved uniform</u>—a reminder that If you have any old / unwanted school uniform that you feel you can donate please either drop the items into main reception or ask your child to drop items to L6 by Thursday 17th February.

<u>Transport queries</u> should now to be sent to <u>transport@laurencejackson.org</u>

<u>KS3 Parent-Child Reading Focus Group</u> - if you have expressed an interest in this group then the next phase of information will now be released to you via Class Charts on Monday 14.2.22. Please keep an eye out for this.

<u>Lost property</u>—next week after school we will be putting out lost property near the pastoral hub for students to check. Unclaimed items after Thursday 17.2.22 will be cleaned and donated to charity.

<u>Reminders of key dates</u>—the school is closed to all students on 18.2.22 for staff training. The half term holiday is from 21.2.22 to 25.2.22, and school re-opens to students at the normal time on 28.2.22.

## **Safeguarding Spotlight**

As Safer Internet Day raises awareness of keeping our children safe online it's important that we do not loose our focus on keeping our children safe online all year round. Mr Bayston would like to raise awareness of the <a href="National Online Safety Mobile app">National Online Safety Mobile app</a> for parents and carers which he has found to be a great resource for keeping up to date with new information. It is also free . As adults, we need to do everything we can to keep children safe in the digital world. With new apps, games and platforms emerging every day it's hard to keep on top of what children are accessing, who they have access to and their overall safety.

## **Celebrating Student Success**

A group of 45 Scholar Award students from Year 9 and Year 10 visited Teesside University this last week for a motivational session about university life and as part of their consideration regarding their future careers. Thank you to staff and student ambassadors at Teesside University for offering such a fantastic opportunity. All the students who attended were brilliant ambassadors for the school and hence are to be celebrated.



We have not included Conduct Points Champions this week as there are Achievement Assemblies coming up in the week ahead. Instead, we have included an examples of students inspiring excellence in each year group.



## **Year Group Specific Messages**

	Please direct queries related to Year 7 to Miss Sarginson until further notice sarginsonl@laurencejackson.org
7	Well done to Delilah W and Isaac C 'You were brilliant representatives for our school during external interviews this week in school' Miss Sarginson, Senior Leader
	Year 8 Year Manager is Miss Bunn 01287 636361 EXT 233 bunnr@laurencejackson.org
8	Well done to Ida M 'Superb effort in auditioning for Joseph this week' Mrs Harris, Drama
	Year 9 Year Manager is Mrs Dyball 01287 636361 EXT 234 dyballs@laurencejackson.org
9	<b>Well done to Louis P</b> 'Louis has been working hard to improve his Spanish independently. I am incredibly impressed with the progress he has made and his level of fluency since I last taught him in Year 8. I gave Louis some KS4 resources to support him and he has already completed an extensive grammar booklet showing confidence with a wide range of tenses. Incredible!' Mrs McGrogan, Spanish
	The deadline for submitting the Y9 option form is <b>Monday 28.2.22 at 3pm</b> .
	Year 10 Year Manager is Mrs Clements 01287 636361 EXT 269 clementsj@laurencejackson.org
10	Well done to Matthew D, Charlotte L, Jess T, Clara C, Tom H, Ethan S and Jacob M 'Awarded for coming in 1st place in the Teesside University Careers Presentation on 9.2.22. Well Done:)' Miss Mitchinson Careers Advisor
	<b>Y10 PC2 Reports</b> —will be released in the week ahead 16.2.22 via the Gateway App (since the reports contain information specific to your child)
	Year 11 Year Manager is Mrs Innes 01287 636361 EXT 230 innesa@laurencejackson.org
	<b>Well done to Evie G</b> 'I have just listened to part of your online tuition session and I was so impressed with how you engaged so confidently with your tutor, it sounded like you were learning well and having great fun! Well done and continue to access every session as I believe they will really help you. Well done!' Mr Tyzack
11	Please note that Year 11 students will be receiving packs next week consisting of exam and revision information. We will also be sending a copy to Y11 parents (and students) on class charts.
	<b>Overdraft for school lunches</b> —There will be no overdraft facility available for Year 11 for school dinners—their accounts need to be in credit from 28.2.22 (after the half term holidays).