

Headteacher's email to parents Friday 27th October 2023

Hello Everyone,

We are coming to the end of another highly successful half term when there has been lots going on in and outside of the classroom. We've issued hundreds and hundreds of positive points and we're looking for ways to reward our students even more. The Reward Shop is a hive of activity at break, and we will be adding further items to this when we return (including unlimited queue jumpers). Fun Friday continues to be extremely popular with students; these weekly competitions take place in form time with house points been given to the winning form along with a hot chocolate and cookie morning treat.

All of the places on the Harry Potter Trip in March have now been filled but there is a standby list. If you would like to add your child's name in case anyone drops out later, please contact the school office.

Save the date! On 14th December, there will be a pizza and quiz night hosted by the Sixth Form in aid of Cancer Research. Details of how to book tickets will be released next month.

The Y13 Geography field trip to Glasgow earlier this week provided an excellent opportunity for students to investigate the success of bottom-up, community-led regeneration in Govan, Glasgow, an area which has experienced de-industrialisation. Students designed their own methodologies and collected data to analyse on their return to school.



We've had a few indoor breaks and lunchtimes recently to keep our students warm and dry. It would be extremely helpful if your child could have a school bag to keep their books and equipment dry. There have been some soggy items making an appearance in our lessons! This also allows them to keep mobile phones out of sight and it's therefore less tempting to take them out and use them than when stored in a pocket.

All our staff would like to thank you, as always, for your support and kind comments as we do our absolute best for your children. School restarts on Monday 6th November and we break up for the Christmas holidays on **Wednesday** 20th December.

Wishing you all a very happy half-term break.

Anna Cleckner

Headteacher