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13 October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

We received our final Ofsted report today and we are pleased with the content of the report which will be live on the Ofsted website next week. I hope to be able to share it with you prior to this, but just need to check that I can do so. It is a great report and really captures our school ethos and the education that our students experience on a daily basis.

Weapons Awareness

On Tuesday next week Years 7, 8 and 9 will have presentations from St Giles Trust on weapons awareness. The sessions are aimed to prevent young people becoming involved in serious youth violence and criminal activity by demystifying gang culture and educating them about the harsh realities of knife crime and prison life. The sessions will impart real tools that young people can utilise to make better informed decisions and to avoid negative lifestyle choices. Should your child be affected by the sessions please do not hesitate to contact their Head of Year.

Fireworks Safety

On Tuesday, you will have received a letter via ClassCharts from the Chief Inspector of West Yorkshire Police providing advice and guidance on the misuse of fireworks and how to keep your child(ren) safe. Please make sure you have read this and take the opportunity to talk about the information contained in the letter.

Re-Start a Heart Day - Monday 16 October

Year 10 are taking part in the National "Re-start a Heart Day" where they will do CPR for a 30-minute session. The sessions will be short and sharp but hopefully it means that an entire year group will have taken part in some basic but vital lifesaving skills. Below is some information provided by Yorkshire Ambulance Service explaining why this can be so important:

1. A cardiac arrest patient's chance of survival dramatically increases if CPR can begin before the ambulance service arrives on scene.



2. Less than one in 10 people in the UK survive a cardiac arrest but thousands more lives could be saved if witnesses start CPR immediately.



3. Chances of survival drop 10% a minute if CPR is not started when someone has had a cardiac arrest.

@York Ambulance staff and volunteers will teach CPR to more than 35,000 students at secondary schools on Monday 16 October 2023 to mark 10 years of #RestartaHeart Day in Yorkshire. Do you have the skills to save a life? Find out where you can learn at <https://restartaheart.yas.nhs.uk/about/where-can-i-learn-cpr/>



Learn CPR and one day you may save a life. Get hands-on at <https://youtu.be/YgQdVkFbQkk> #RestartAHeart @YorksAmbulance

Year 8 Parents Evening, Wednesday 25 October 3.30pm-7.00pm

The booking system is now open for you to make appointments with your child's teacher.

Please go to the school website and follow the link or go to: [SchoolCloud - Lawnswood School](#)

It would be great to see all Year 8 parents/carers in school for this parents/carers evening.

Sixth Form Open Evening, Year 11 parents/carers please save the date!

We are excited to invite all Year 11 students and their families into school on Thursday 16 November, between 5.00 and 7.00pm, to learn about our excellent Key Stage 5 provision.

We are immensely proud of our wide-ranging curriculum offer, challenging study programme, success rate in securing highly aspirational university placements and apprenticeships as well as our excellent student results. Please come along and learn for yourself about the great provision we have on offer once students finish their GCSEs.

Yours faithfully

Mrs J Bell
Headteacher