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12 September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

Students have continued to meet our high standards this week and remained focused on their learning. Thank you for your support in ensuring students are present in and punctual to school. You can monitor your child's attendance, punctuality and commendations and cautions by accessing the ClassCharts App. If you do not have access to your child's information, please contact a member of the year team who will be happy to help.

Extra-Curricular Clubs and Activities

Next week in assemblies, Ms Nicholson will be talking to students about this year's offer for clubs and activities and the value of attending them. Students will be shown the timetable of clubs and activities available to them during tutor time in the week. You can access our booklet too on the website or by clicking [here](#). Please do take some time to ask which clubs and activities your child is planning to attend this year. Students will be asked to keep a record of their experiences on the Lawnswood Community Passport which they complete fortnightly in tutor time. These are kept and given to them when they leave so they have a record of their commitment and experiences during their time in the school.

Open Evening

Last week I informed you that we are closing at 1.45pm on Wednesday 17 September as it is our Open Evening on that day but we were unsure whether we could change the time of the L57 School Bus. We have confirmed that it will leave at 2.00pm from its usual spot.

We have asked for student ambassadors to act as tour guides during the event, so thank you if you are letting us borrow your child for the evening and please ensure you have returned their permission slip. There is no supervision at school for them between 1.45pm and 4.30pm as staff are busy setting up for Open Evening.

Uniform

Thank you for your support with uniform at the start of term, most students have returned looking smart and ready to learn. The one area that we would ask for your support on is false eye lashes and false nails, these are not part of our school uniform. False nails are a health and safety hazard in subjects such as Design Technology and PE, in Music and IT they make using a keyboard difficult. Students who wear false nails and eye lashes will be asked to remove them.

Key Dates

This week, all students have been issued with a paper copy of the Key Dates document. This information provides an overview of our school calendar, consultation evenings along with progress reports and important events. It can also be found on our website [here](#).

Lawnswood Roundabout improvement scheme

Yesterday I met with a representative from Eric Wright Civil Engineering who are overseeing the work on the roundabout. They are planning frequent updates and the first is below, including an email address if you wish to get in touch with them.

Lawnswood Roundabout Scheme - Update This week we have paused Phase 1 of our works, whilst we liaise with Northern Gas network to resolve the stats issue described last week. To ensure programme momentum, we have concentrated on our work on the roundabout, widening the area in line with the design and in preparation for the drainage installation. We are also working on the eastern arm of the south side of the roundabout. Regarding the mobile pedestrian crossings, our revised proposals have been approved by network management and highways, and implementation is due to take place later next week. This involves moving the crossings further away from the roundabout. We will be pleased to receive any feedback once the crossings are in the revised positions. There has been some feedback around the time period the crossing lights stay on red once activated by a pedestrian. The time period considers potentially slower crossing for anyone with mobility challenges, people with prams / younger children, and more than one pedestrian at a time. Thank you for your understanding around this. You can contact us at any time at the email address below: LawnswoodEnquiries@ericwright.co.uk

Further information about the scheme can be found here: <https://lawnswoodroundabout.commonplace.is/>

It was very reassuring that they are concerned about the impact of the works on the school and in particular the safety of students.

Leeds College of Building Open Day

For any students who may be considering Leeds College of Building when they complete their Lawnswood journey, they are hosting an open day Wednesday 15 October, from 4pm-7pm. Both the North Street Campus (LS2 7QT) and South Bank Campus (LS10 1EF) will be open.

What You'll Find at the Event:

Course Information: Detailed insights into study programmes, apprenticeships, higher apprenticeships, higher education, and part-time adult courses.

Student Support: Information on our application process, student bursaries, and the comprehensive support available to you.

Financial Guidance: Learn about financing your education, including loans, waivers, and payment options.

Apprenticeship Insights: Meet our dedicated apprenticeship team and discover how to launch your career with hands-on training.

Inclusive Learning Support: Find out about the in-class support available to ensure every student can succeed.

Book now:

[Leeds College of Building event tickets from TicketSource.](#)

Leeds Digital Careers Fair

Organised by Leeds City Council's Employment & Skills Service, the Leeds Digital Careers Fair is being held on Tuesday 30 September, from 1.30pm-6.30pm at Leeds First Direct Arena. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to explore a wide range of digital courses and career paths. From T-levels to apprenticeships, bootcamps to degree courses, the event features training providers offering diverse

educational options. Additionally, digital employers will be present to showcase the variety of digital employment opportunities available across the city.

Further details are available [here](#).

You can book your free tickets [here](#).

Radiotherapy Careers Open day

Are you interested in finding out what it takes to become a therapeutic radiographer, clinical engineer or radiotherapy physicist? NHS Leeds Hospitals NHS Trust is hosting an open day on Saturday 21 September, from 10am – 1pm.

Location: St James University Hospital, Radiotherapy departments floors B2, Bexley Wing, Beckett Street LS9 7TE.

Click [here](#) for tickets.

Key dates for next week –

Year 7 CATS

Tuesday

ACS Stainless Steel trip

Year 7 walk through fire drill

Wednesday

Early close for students at 1.45pm

Open Evening 5pm-7pm

Thursday

Girls into Data session

Yours faithfully



Mrs J Bell
Headteacher