



Dear Parents/Carers

The last couple of weeks have certainly been challenging regarding the weather. I can assure you that closing school is always a last resort and a decision that is never easy to make. I appreciate that many of people had set off last Thursday and were caught up in the gridlocked traffic. I do apologise for the inconvenience the decision to close may have caused.

Y11 students are currently undertaking a series of mock exams in preparation for their summer final GCSE's. There has been some disruption due to the snow but students are benefitting from the extra revision time.

This week also sees the public performance of our school production "Bugsy". I am looking forward to seeing the outcome of a significant amount of hard work from both students and staff. I would like to also thank parents for their support in ensuring students are available for rehearsals.

Regards

Thomas Rothwell  
Principal

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**SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST**

- Key Dates
- Bugsy

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# Bugsy Malone

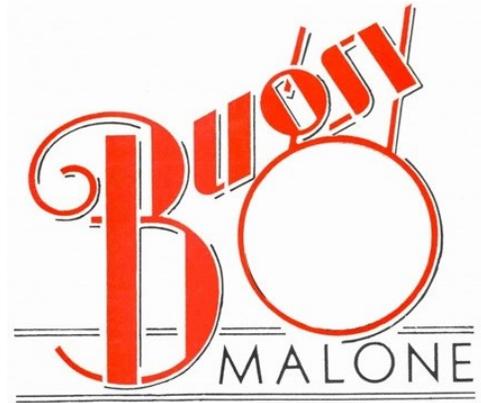
Bugsy Malone tickets are now available to purchase via the school ParentPay shop on the schools website.

**Thursday 15th**

**Friday 16th—Sold Out**

**Saturday 17th —Sold Out**

Adults	£5
Concessions	£4
Family of 4	£15



**Drama**

 <b>Thursday 15th March 2018</b> Bugsy Performance 15.03.18 Thursday 15th March Please select Select option 1 Add to basket £0.00	 <b>Friday 16th March 2018</b> Bugsy Performance 16.03.18 Friday 16th March Please select Select option 1 Add to basket £0.00	 <b>Saturday 17th March 2018</b> Bugsy Performance 17.03.18 Saturday 17th March Please select Select option 1 Add to basket £0.00
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THEATRE COMPANY  
10TH ANNIVERSARY



# BUGGY MALONE

7:30PM ON 15<sup>TH</sup>, 16<sup>TH</sup> & 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2018  
TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE FROM THE PARENTPAY SHOP  
[WWW.LIGHTCLIFFEACADEMY.CO.UK](http://WWW.LIGHTCLIFFEACADEMY.CO.UK)

## Y11 PROM 2018

Please be aware the final Payment for the Prom needs paying by Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March (the last day of term). School no longer accepts cash therefore all payments need to be through ParentPay.

There are still a number of spaces available, if your son or daughter is interested please contact Miss Williams via email - [williams@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk](mailto:williams@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk)

A photographer will be on the premises as students arrive to have a professional photo should they require, at an additional cost.



**The Year 11 Prom is been held at The Arches, Dean Clough on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July from 7.30pm.**

### CHARITY EVENT



**Overgate Hospice Charity Fund Raising Event - Chocolate Tombola**  
Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> April – Rastrick Cricket club

Overgate Hospice is a charity close to the hearts of many families in Calderdale providing amazing care to those in need.

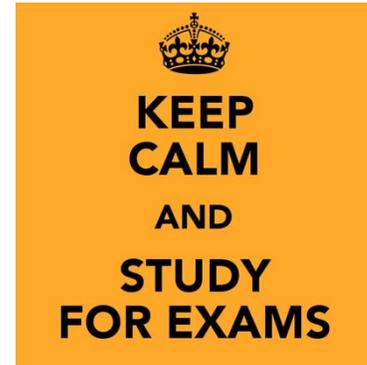
On Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> April at Rastrick Cricket club, Mr Lumb (Head of MFL) has been put in charge of running the Chocolate Tombola! We are asking the kind students of Lightcliffe Academy and their parents for a 'chocolate' donation of any kind...bar of chocolate, Easter egg, box of chocolates etc.

If you could kindly donate anything like this, it would be much appreciated and if so, please ask your child to bring any donations to me, Mr Lumb.

## Year 11 Exams are looming!

Mocks dates were extended by a few days due to the unforeseen adverse weather and snow days.

- Don't forget that revision guides are available for most subject areas
- They can be ordered directly via ParentPay
- Revision timetables have been emailed out
- Revision sessions are taking place in many subject areas



### Revision Sessions:

- Monday - EBacc café - History, Geography, ICT
- Wednesday - Science café
- Thursday - Maths and English cafés

## Y7 CONSULTATION EVENINGS

Unfortunately this needed to be postponed again due to the bad weather last week.

We will announce a new date in due course which is likely to be in the Summer term. If you have any concerns about your child's academic progress in school that you wish to discuss sooner than that then please contact the school.

Your son or daughter's Head of House is the best point of contact for any pastoral enquiries and their Achievement Director for teaching and learning enquiries.

### Heads of House

- Aquila—Mr J Clarke— [jclarke@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk](mailto:jclarke@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk)
- Corvus—Miss L Barr— [lbarr@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk](mailto:lbarr@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk)
- Delphinus—Mr C Truelove— [ctruelove2@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk](mailto:ctruelove2@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk)
- Lacerta—Mrs L Phillips— [lphillips@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk](mailto:lphillips@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk)
- Pavo—Miss L Williams— [lwilliams@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk](mailto:lwilliams@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk)
- Tucana—Mr J Simpson— [jsimpson@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk](mailto:jsimpson@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk)

### Achievement Directors

- Mr S Sagar: Lacerta and Delphinus House  
[ssagar@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk](mailto:ssagar@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk)
- Mr S Clarke: Pavo and Tucana House  
[sclarke@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk](mailto:sclarke@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk)
- Miss J Atkinson: Aquila and Corvus House  
[jatkinson@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk](mailto:jatkinson@lightcliffeacademy.co.uk)

## Parents Evenings

- Y8 April 24th
- Y10 May 1st
- Y9 June 12th
- Y7 TBA



**School operates an online appointment booking system. This allows you to choose your own appointment times with teachers. You will receive an email nearer the time to advise you when the bookings will open and close.**

Please visit <https://lightcliffeacademy.parentseveningsystem.co.uk> to book your appointments once your consultation evening has opened and you will receive an email confirming your appointments.

# Safeguarding and Protecting Children and Young People

## Statement of intent

Lightcliffe Academy is totally committed to safeguarding learners and vulnerable adults from harm

All staff, whether paid or voluntary, have a duty of care to keep learners safe and to protect them from physical, sexual and emotional harm

## Safeguarding Team



**Mrs L Phillips**

Designated Senior  
Safeguarding Lead



**Mr J Clarke**

Deputy  
Safeguarding Lead



**Mr D Stucke**

Vice Principal



**Mr N Collins**

Assistant Principal



**Mrs D Fenwick**

Attendance Officer

## Safeguarding Procedures

- All visitors must sign in at the main student reception (this is the glass fronted reception)
- All staff and students must sign in and out of the building at all times
- All staff, volunteer staff, visitors and post 16 students must display an identification badge
- Any person not wearing an identification badge must be reported to the safeguarding team

**If you suspect or know of any safeguarding issues it is your responsibility to report it immediately to one of the safeguarding team**

## SCHOOL BUSES

Information for students who travel on a school bus to and from school.

**In the event of a bus not arriving** students are advised to wait for the bus and check the bus company website and twitter feeds for updates. A bus will be sent to collect students no matter how late. In these circumstances students will not be penalised if they are late to school.

**In the event of a breakdown** students are advised to stay with the bus. They should not get off the bus unless the bus is unsafe, if this is the case [they will be instructed by the driver](#). For their own safety and wellbeing we would not advise them to set off walking to school or home, as a replacement bus/engineer will be sent by the Mybus company as quickly as possible.

Students should remain calm and adhere to the [Code of Conduct](#), an agreement signed when applying for a place on the bus. This can be accessed by going to the generationm website. Should a student insist on getting off the bus, the driver is not permitted to stop them as this would be false imprisonment. We would appreciate it if you would advise your child what to do in the event of a breakdown.

If you need to speak to someone regarding a bus or lost property please telephone 0113 3481122 option 4.

The bus company website address is [www.generationm.co.uk](http://www.generationm.co.uk), their twitter feed @metrogenm is constantly updated, Facebook [www.facebook.com/MetrogenerationM](https://www.facebook.com/MetrogenerationM)



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## Attendance/Behaviour Reward Trip



Following the huge success of last academic year's reward trip to Lightwater Valley, the academy are organising another visit this year for all those students with 100% attendance and a good behaviour record.

The academy's aim this year is to take as many students as possible on the rewards visit, and in order to achieve this, we ask parents to ensure that wherever possible their child attends school every day.

So far this year, the academy's attendance is even better than it was at this time last year and currently outstripping the national % average for attendance. However, there is no complacency as re-

Research suggests that **17 missed school days** a year = GCSE grade **DROP** in achievement. (DfES)

95%	=	<b>47 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR</b> 8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days
90%	=	<b>95 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR</b> 16 days in total or 3 weeks and 1 day
85%	=	<b>142 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR</b> 24 days in total or 4 weeks and 4 days
80%	=	<b>190 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR</b> 32 days in total or 6 weeks and 2 days

## **ATTENDANCE MATTERS**

**WHAT DO YOUR  
ATTENDANCE  
FIGURES  
ACTUALLY MEAN?**

**BE SMART BE THERE!**

Percentages based on 190 academic days

## Coming Up

### March

- 12th —Y13 Art visit to Redbrick Mills, Batley
- 16th —Y7 Big Bang Fair, Birmingham NEC
- 19th—Great Big Dance Off, Victoria Theatre , Halifax

### April

- 23rd—Y8 Leeds University Visit

### May

- 9th —Y10 York St John's University Visit

### June

- 5th —Y9 Hull University Visit

## KEY DATES

### March

15th	Bugsy Malone Production
16th	Bugsy Malone Production Big Bang Science Fair
17th	Bugsy Malone Production
19th	Governors Meeting
21st	Parents Forum Meeting 6pm



Term Dates can be viewed on the school website