



Parent Briefing: Friday 1st March

NATIONAL OFFER DAY

Today (Friday) was National Offer Day for Year 6 students and parents. We are very pleased, once more, to be full and oversubscribed in September's Year 7 intake. Our welcome information to Parents / Carers was sent out first thing on Friday morning and we have been receiving acceptances for offered places ever since. National Offer Day marks the start of our transition processes with key dates in the Summer for Year 6 into 7 including Transition evening on Monday 17th June and the Transition Day for our new Year 7s being held on Thursday 27th June.

We are very excited to begin to be able to work with our new students and wish them all well for their final months at Primary school.

PARACETAMOL CONSENT

You will be aware from recent communications that we have been reviewing and updating consents we receive from you. Following parental feedback, we have decided to remove paracetamol consent from the list we proactively seek from you, as it was creating confusion.

When a student visits First Aid, we always want to make a phone call home to make you aware, check on circumstances and most importantly, check when any medicine was last taken. Due to this, we always obtain consent from a parent or guardian on each occasion, meaning the proactive consent sought via ARBOR is redundant.

YEAR 11 BOYS RUGBY

The Year 11 Boys Rugby League team play in the Leeds & Hunslet Final on Monday 4th March at South Leeds Stadium (John Charles Centre for Sport). They are defending champions having won this title in Y10. This will be their last ever game for school having been our best performing team over the last 2 decades which is an impressive achievement. We wish them every success!

YEAR 7, 8 and 10 MONITORING REPORTS

Over the coming fortnight, we shall be sending home summary monitoring reports for Years 7, 8 and 10. These will be via email and will also show on the Arbor Parent Portal / Arbor App.



These short progress reports provide an overview of how your child is engaging in learning and is progressing in subject areas. The style of the report differs depending upon the year group. All year groups include reference to Classroom Learning Quality and Independent Learning Quality (for Core and EBacc subjects in Year 7) which comes from the descriptors shown below.

<p>1 Concern</p>  <p>You make little effort in lessons and your work is insufficient.</p> <p>You often behave poorly and do not follow instructions.</p> <p>You show no or little engagement with home learning.</p>	<p>2 Below Expectation</p>  <p>You do the bare minimum and your work lacks depth or is incomplete.</p> <p>You sometimes behave poorly and lack focus in lessons.</p> <p>You show inconsistent engagement with home learning.</p>	<p>3 Satisfactory</p>  <p>Your work is completed to a satisfactory standard.</p> <p>You behave well in lessons, but you may lack resilience with independent tasks.</p> <p>You complete most of your home learning by the deadline.</p>
<p>4 Good</p>  <p>Your work is completed to a good standard showing effort and understanding.</p> <p>You remain focused in lessons and strive for further improvement.</p> <p>You complete all of your home learning to a good standard.</p>	<p>5 Excellent</p>  <p>Your work is completed to a very high standard and you review your work to expand your understanding.</p> <p>You are highly focused and may ask questions to further your understanding.</p> <p>You proactively engage with all of your home learning to produce high quality work.</p>	

For subject progress information, at Key Stage 4 (Year 10 and 11) this takes the form of a Professional Prediction. This is defined as "If the student keeps working as they are at this moment in time AND nothing else changes, what GCSE/VTQ grade will he/she likely go on to achieve?". As more evidence emerges through the key stage, this grade may change between monitoring points.

For Key Stage 3, staff assess a student against their Expected Attainment Pathway submitting a category from Excelling, Secure, Developing, Emerging. The level of progress a child is making through the curriculum is indicated by comparing their generated EAP against their staff submitted assessment. For example, a student whose EAP is in the SECURE band and whose subject assessment is in the SECURE band is making expected progress through the curriculum. A student whose EAP is in the EXCELLING band but is judged as SECURE is making less than expected progress. A student who whose EAP is in the DEVELOPING band but is judged as SECURE is making better than expected progress.



In the forthcoming monitoring, for Year 7, this will only be for Core and EBacc subjects.

For any questions about your child's monitoring reports, please contact the relevant Phase Leader (Mrs Dwight for Key Stage 3, Mrs Dyson for Key Stage 4) in the first instance.

YEAR 7 PARENTS' EVENING

Over the coming fortnight, Year 7 Parents/Carers have their Parents' Evening. In line with our other year group subject evenings (except for Year 11), it is being held online via School Cloud. The dates are:

- **Thursday 7th March: Forms 7.1, 7.2, 7.3, 7.4.**
- **Thursday 14th March: Forms 7.5, 7.6, 7.7, 7.8.**

YEAR 11 - INFORMATION

Last Monday, a fortnight of Trial examinations for Year 11 began. These are the last set before the external examinations begin. We have been very pleased with how students have approached these Trial exams. As well as allowing students to apply their learning to examination questions, they help students prepare by ensuring that they are fully familiar with the procedures, access arrangements and logistics. This means that the focus in the summer can be on their learning, and application of this.

A number of practical subject examinations are also happening in the coming weeks, including GCSE Music and GCSE Drama. These assessments do go forward and count for the final overall grade.

A reminder that the Student Portal, accessed via your child's Microsoft 365 login, has the Subject Hubs for a number of areas which include specific revision materials and guides. There is also a page devoted to revision techniques.

Please also ensure that your child is fully equipped for examinations including with multiple black pens (any other colour cannot be used). It is not school's responsibility to provide basic equipment for examinations. We also are not able to do so unless in an emergency.

SKI TRIP

In the last Parent Briefing we reported that 51 students from a range of year groups headed on this year's Ski Trip to Oberlungau, Austria. Despite a bit of a mammoth overland journey to get there, it was a brilliant trip with a fantastic





group of students supported by staff who gave up their half term holiday to accompany them. A great time was had!

SAFEGUARDING: Keeping children safe online

Crawshaw Academy takes its responsibility for online safety seriously. We filter and monitor students' internet searches and the safeguarding team picks up any concerning trends directly with students and parents. We want to work in partnership with you to keep your children safe. The vast majority of their internet usage will be done at home on the device you provide for them.

Are you confident that you know what they are looking at?

Please click on the links below for resources you could use to help your child stay safe are here:

[Keeping children safe online | NSPCC](#)

[Staying safe online | Childline](#)

[Your online safety - BBC Bitesize](#)

KITCHEN @ CRAWSHAW

Please see below for our menu for next week:



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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Main 1 £2.20	CHILLI CON CARNE Minced beef mixed with homemade tomato sauce & spices slow cooked, served with nachos, steamed rice & sour cream (mk)(gl)(sd)	CHICKEN TIKKA Chicken breast pieces marinated in tikka spices and tomato sauce served with steamed rice and a naan bread. (h)(gl)(sd)	CRAWSHAW KEEMA The traditional keema curry with minced beef marinated in spices and served with pilau rice. (sd)	BANGERS AND MASH Locally sourced sausages served with creamy mashed potato and lashings of gravy and a homemade Yorkshire pudding. (sd)(gl)(mk)(eg)	POPCORN CHICKEN A Crawshaw favourite – breaded chicken chunks served with chips, sweetcorn and a helping of curry sauce. (mst)(gl)(h)(soy)
Main 2 £2.20	TUNA PASTA BAKE Pasta shapes tossed in our house tomato sauce with tuna and vegetables topped with cheese and served with a slice of garlic bread. (gl)(mk)(sd)(fsh)	SPUD DAY Take a freshly baked jacket potato and choose from any 2 toppings to build your perfect spud! Toppings include – Meat and vegetarian chilli (sd) Chicken curry(h)(sd)	CHINESE CHICKEN Battered chicken chunks served with Chefs special egg fried rice, curry sauce and prawn crackers (h)(mst)(eg)	CHICKEN AND ROASTED VEGETABLE PASTA Chicken breast pieces tossed in our house roasted vegetable sauce and pasta spirals, served with a slice of garlic bread. (gl)(sd)	SAUSAGE ROLL AND CHIPS Take a freshly baked sausage roll, add chips and curry sauce – then enjoy! (gl)(sd)
Main 3 £2.20	VEGETABLE DHAL Traditional lentil dish, red and green lentils marinated in an aromatic spice blend and served with flatbread. (gl)(ve)	Tuna Mayonnaise Baked Beans Coleslaw (mk) Cheese (mk) Served with a side salad	MEATLESS FARM KEEMA Meatless mince marinated in the traditional keema spices and served with pilau rice. (ve)(sd)	VEGAN SAUSAGE AND MASH Vegan sausages served with mashed potato and lashings of vegan gravy. (add a Yorkshire pudding to make it vegetarian) (v)(ve)(gl)(mk)(eg)	VEGAN SAUSAGE ROLL AND CHIPS A Vegan sausage roll served with chips and a helping of curry sauce. (ve)(gl)
Available Daily	Sandwiches & pasta salad	Sandwiches & pasta salads	Sandwiches & pasta salads	Sandwiches & pasta salads	Sandwiches & pasta salads

A reminder that our catering website – www.cateringatcrawshaw.com - has everything to do with Catering at Crawshaw, including a **Pre Order Portal for students to use** to jump the queue. You can preorder:

- Cold Sandwiches, Baguettes or salads, to include our meal deal offer of a drink and homebaked treat **for £2.60**
- The option for a premium preorder which includes a wrap, pasta or salad with 2 toppings and 2 sides for **£3.00**.

Once ordered their lunch can be collected from a designated collection point in the canteen, thereby jumping the queues.

Kind regards

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