



October 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you very much for your support this term. Alongside our normal core business of teaching and learning, we've had many opportunities which students have been involved in. Year 7 students have settled in extremely well to the life of the school, helped by the initial residential visit. Year 8 have been to London and had a packed weekend of sightseeing. My particular favourite moment of this visit was when we were approached in a restaurant by three ladies who wanted to make a special point of telling me how impressed they were with our young people.

Year 11 students have met with many different further education providers in assemblies as we prepare them for life after Barlby High which will continue into November. Some of our young people also had an opportunity to visit a careers fair, attending seminars on life in university and apprenticeships.

As always, I'm extremely grateful to our very hardworking staff; they so often go the extra mile because they want the very best for our young people.

Friends of Barlby parent group have been present at many of our events this term, and are always interested to hear from other parents of their ideas. This term year 7 and 8 have been invited to attend a movie night and the second hand uniform shop is up and running. Uniform will next be on sale on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November from 5pm till 7pm, if you have uniform which you no longer require it could be put to good use, please drop it in with our receptionist. I am very grateful to Friends of Barlby for their support of the school, new members always welcome!

As the weather starts to feel more like winter, please remind students that they are not to wear hoodies underneath their blazer, they are allowed to wear coats over their blazers as they move around school.

Some key dates for this coming term:

- 11<sup>th</sup> November - Year 11 Mocks start
- 20<sup>th</sup> November - Personal Development Day for all year groups
- 27<sup>th</sup> November - Celebrating Success Evening
- 28<sup>th</sup> November - Non uniform day
- 3<sup>rd</sup> December - Year 8 Vaccinations
- 6<sup>th</sup> December - Teacher Training Day
- 12<sup>th</sup> December - English competition evening
- 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> December - Whole school production
- 20<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Jumper Day. 12.30pm finish

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Please can I remind parents that it is very important for the safety of our students that cars don't drive into the car park to drop students off in the morning, or to collect at the end of the school day. Thank you very much for your support.

I hope you have a great half term break. This has been a long term and students (and staff!) are definitely ready for the rest!

With best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'J. Caddell'.

Miss J. Caddell  
Principal