



Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you are well and have had a lovely week. Please see below this week's updates from school.

## **Christmas Fair**

Please don't forget our Christmas Fair on the 1<sup>st</sup> December, from 3:10pm to 5.30pm.

We have stalls including novelty gifts, tropics, children's jewellery, Christmas crafts, bags, purses and watches, plants, Christmas decorations, Christmas games, an Avon stall, Tombola (adults and children) a cooking demonstration by Thermomix, books cakes and refreshments!

There will also be the Hodgson choir and the Hodgson band performing on stage!

## **Wearing tape on piercings**

From Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December, the school will **no longer permit students to cover piercings with tape during school hours**. This change is being made to ensure consistency and fairness for all students.

Please note that the school will not be providing retainers, so arrangements should be made this weekend. If students do not comply, then the behaviour policy will be implemented. We appreciate your cooperation and support in helping us uphold these guidelines for the benefit of our school community.

## **Y11 Parents Evening - Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December**

Communication regarding this event hasn't been sent via email. The bookings are now open and will remain open until 3pm on Thursday 11th December. Please contact your child's form teacher if you have any problems booking appointments.

## **Music Department**

The letter for the Christmas performances has been emailed to parents and carers. If your child is in the band or choir, please complete the Microsoft Form before Monday 1st December. If your child is in the choir, they will need to practice their parts for the three songs we are singing, which they can find on the Teams channel that has been set up for this purpose. They can log in via their school email.

## **PE Department:**

### *U13s Sister in Sport Netball*

I'm delighted to share that our U13 netball team secured an impressive 42–23 win against St Aidans CofE from Yorkshire. The girls dominated from start to finish with their fast, controlled play. Elsie and Evie showcased excellent defensive work, while Grace, Holly and Ava were all on superb shooting form. Holly also delivered some outstanding attacking play throughout the match. This fantastic result means the girls now progress into the final eight – in the country - an achievement they should be incredibly proud of.

## **Vaccinations**

On Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December, the school nursing will be in school to deliver the nasal flu vaccination to all consented students.



### **F1rest**

All this week the geography department have been delivering assemblies on 'F1rest' to our students, to speak up for our trees! Next week, every student at Hodgson will be drawing a tree in their lesson, to raise awareness of one of our most important resources on planet earth.

The winning trees will be sent to the F1rest campaign led by Sebastian Vettel. For more information, please see the link below.

<https://sebastianvettel.de/en/projects/f1rest/>

We also promoted discussion on the arguments for and against real and fake Christmas Trees. Please ask our students, which are you going to have this year in your home and how do they affect our environment?

### **Student Absence**

When your child is unwell, please use the absence line and leave a message. You do not need to ring reception and speak directly to a member of staff. This causes delays on the phone lines for parents who need to speak to a member of staff.

### **Recognising Excellence**

As the nights draw in and we move towards Christmas, we want to take this opportunity to thank the parents and students who consistently represent Hodgson with pride. Your outstanding behaviour and standards, strong homework completion, and excellent attendance have helped many of you achieve the Hodgson Hat-Trick.

This is the pinnacle of our awards, and we want you to know that we recognise your efforts. You are a credit to the school, to your families, and most importantly, to yourselves. We will be looking to celebrate and reward those students who meet this exceptional benchmark. As always, we will reset the clock in January, giving every student a fresh start and a chance to strive for the Hat-Trick in the new term.

### **Work Experience 2026**

A gentle reminder that we will have only 4 school weeks to secure a placement for Work Experience for all Year 10 students. The deadline for all forms to be handed into the library is Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026. The actual placement will take place from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2026. The deadline is earlier so we can ensure all safety measures are in place for all 225 placements. Please utilise some time over the half term break to get in touch with local employers to secure your placement, since lots of places shut down or close over the Christmas period. Good luck, Year 10s! It will be an incredible opportunity to show how brilliant YOU ALL are! All information and documentation are available on the school website at:

<https://www.hodgson.lancs.sch.uk/careers-education-information-ceaig>

### **Elf Run:**

Another reminder about our 2025 Christmas charity event on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December. To sponsor our incredible Year 7 students, please click here [https://www.justgiving.com/page/chloe-richardson-2?utm\\_medium=FR&utm\\_source=CL](https://www.justgiving.com/page/chloe-richardson-2?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL) and visit our fundraising JustGiving page.

**Catering Service: Facial/Fingerprint Recognition consent**

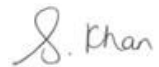
A big thank you to those who have completed the consent form using the Arbor Parent Portal. We have had a good response from parents. The biometrics will be taking place on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. A gentle reminder to please log onto Arbor if you have not yet accepted or declined this. Further information sent via email.

**INSET Day**

Please remember that school is closed tomorrow.

Thank you for your continued support

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Khan'.

Mrs S. Khan  
Headteacher