



Darland High School

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Dear Parents and Carers

With another half-term coming to an end I hope you are looking forward to the week ahead as much as our students are.

A few good items of news to update you on:

We are now up and running with our SIMS ParentApp, where parents are able to see the most up-to-date details of achievements and attendance. With over 600 parents now linked to the App, please make sure you sign up soon so you don't miss out on important notices and general good news about your child.

Darland High School students made the press again, with a superb set of maths results in January. Please see the following link for further information.

<https://www.leaderlive.co.uk/news/18216454.darland-maths-geniuses-gain-top-marks-entered-early-gcse-exams/>

News for further ahead:

The Welsh Assembly have allocated an extra training day for all schools in Wales in order to work on the up and coming changes to the National Curriculum. If you are not yet familiar with the changes proposed please follow the link for more information. <https://hwb.gov.wales/curriculum-for-wales> .

I have consulted with our linked primary schools so that all schools in the Darland cluster will use the same day, hence reducing further inconvenience to parents. If you have children in our Primary schools, you may already have been informed that the chosen date is 22nd June 2020. We have chosen this date as Friday 19th June is also a training day, which would allow families to take a long weekend break if they choose.

The training will be delivered by the <https://mikegershon.com/> who is a leading UK expert on Teaching and Learning. We will be joined by our primary colleagues and colleagues from other areas of education in Wrexham and Flintshire and be focusing on Differentiation for all pupils.

I would again like to take the opportunity to extend my thanks for your continuing support and wish you all a good half-term break.

Yours sincerely

Joanne Lee
Headteacher