

# Bulletin

11 March 2024



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## Message from the Principal

Dear Families,

A warm welcome to a new week at the academy.

A huge thank you to the staff who took our students on the Maths Live trip to Disney last week. Thank you also to Mr O'Shea for organising the Speak Out Challenge regional final. Guy and Dionne made us really proud and Nicolas was an amazing MC for the evening. Thank you also to Patrick, Rufus, Aleks, and Blake for the wonderful music during the evening.

This week we have the police coming in to run assemblies to our Year 7, 8 and 9s regarding safety and the law around social media. As you may know social media can be a real issue for young people and we have had a few instances recently where issues that have begun online out of school result in issues in school. Please do monitor your child's social media use and speak with them at home.

On Wednesday, I will be giving out habit badges to our students in Year 7 and 8 who have attended everyday in the last 3 school weeks and have received no demerits. We have 91 students who have achieved this which is amazing and we are so proud of them all. The clock starts again now and I will be doing the same the first week back after the holidays.

Our parental engagement evening this week is around vaping, please do come along if you can. Nationally there was a 50% increase in vaping in children last year and we want to support you to know the impact on young people.

After lots of trips last week we are looking forward to a calmer week and lots of learning.

If your child is observing Ramadan please do let us know if there is anything we can do to support them. We do have a prayer room available.

As ever please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Have a lovely week.

Ms Green  
Principal

## SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS ON... SODEXO CATERING

Sodexo have asked us to share this feedback form with Parents/Carers. Please click on the link to complete.

[Sodexo Feedback Form](#)

## STARS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to this week's students:

Year Group	Name
7	Freddie Smith
8	Jenna Abbott
9	Josiah Boateng
10	Isla Godfrey
11	Nevaeh Zeini-Mclean

## WHAT'S COMING UP...

- **Ramadan Begins**  
Sunday 10th March
- **Social Media Assemblies- Years 7 & 8**  
Tuesday 12th March
- **Parental Engagement Evening: Vaping**  
Tuesday 12th March
- **GCSE Drama Theatre Trip**  
Tuesday 12th March
- **Benfica FC Trip Parent Information Evening**  
Wednesday 13th March
- **Pi Day**  
Thursday 14th March
- **Cinema Trip**  
Thursday 14th March
- **Year 9 Options Parent Clinic- appointment only**  
Monday 18th March,
- **GCSE Drama Exams**  
Tuesday 19th & Thursday 21st March
- **Year 11 Parents' Evening**  
Thursday 21st March

## NOTICES

### PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT EVENING

On Tuesday 12th March, 5.30pm, we will be holding our next Parental Engagement Evening on the topic of Vaping. The evening will focus on awareness of the dangers of vaping and available support.

To help us with our planning, please indicate on the below form if you plan to attend:

[Parental Engagement Evening: Vaping](#)

### ONLINE SAFETY

This week National Online Safety are sharing their free guide to parents on [What Parents & Carers Need To Know About Online Dating Platforms and Relationships](#). Since the pandemic there has been a sharp rise in online dating. Apps such as MyLOL and Wink have drawn in a large userbase of young people, check out this week's guide to find out more.

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Last week we had a drop in whole school attendance at 89.77%. This is a disappointing drop, and we hope that this is just a blip for the half term.

**Well done to Year 7 who were top of the leader board last week.**

Year 7	91.38%
Year 9	90.76%
Year 8	90.22%
Year 11	89.85%
Year 10	86.65%

Live attendance data is available on the parent and student MCAS apps.

**MOMENTS MATTER. ATTENDANCE COUNTS.**