

## **NEWSLETTER**

12th January 2024



Good afternoon and a Happy New Year to you all.

It has been lovely to welcome back staff and students this week and to be able to take the opportunity to revisit some key routines across the school. It's so important to us to ensure that the school is calm and productive and some of the changes we have introduced have already had a noticeable impact. I have really enjoyed getting out and about and into lessons to see some great learning underway. Thank you for supporting us in ensuring that students come to school in the correct uniform and are prepared for the new half term.

There is lots planned and we will be sharing photos and updates from external speakers who are coming into school this half term. We kicked off the new year this week with visits from the SMB College Group who spoke to Years 8, 9 and 10 about careers options Post-16 and Bradgate Sixth Form who came in to talk about a wide range of opportunities they offer our Year 11 students.

Please see overleaf for key dates for your diary and do get in touch with the school office if you have any queries at all.

In the meantime, have a lovely weekend, despite the cold weather we are predicted.

Natalie Teece Interim Headteacher

From 22<sup>nd</sup> January any students arriving late to school will receive a 30 minute after school detention on the same day that they arrive late. The Head of Year will call home to notify parents.

Please ensure that your child arrives at school on time. Students should be on site no later than 8.35am.

Thank you for your support with this.

Date	Event
18.01.24	Year 9 Parents' Evening
01.02.24	Information Evening for Year 11 parents - Supporting your Child with GCSE exam revision
02.02.24	SEND Parent Forum
Week Commencing 12.02.24	Year 11 Mock Exams
15.02.24	Year 8 Parents' Evening
Week Commencing 19.02.24	HALF TERM
Week Commencing 26.02.24	Year 11 Mock Exams
29.02.24	Year 9 Options Evening
Week Commencing 11.03.24	National Science Week
22.03.24	School closes for Easter Holiday
08.04.24	School opens for Summer Term
16.04.24 - 23.04.24	Scholastic Book Fair

## **Our New Attendance System**

If your child is going to be absent you must inform us no later than 9am on the day of absence and each day afterwards for continued absence.

To report a student absence, click on the link below:

Click here to report student absence <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/ZtqN7UhByb">https://forms.office.com/e/ZtqN7UhByb</a>.

Alternatively, you can call and leave a voicemail on

0116 344 0453

Press 1 for Student Absence and then select the relevant Year Group.

Preplanned appointments such as orthodontist or hospital appointments which cannot be scheduled outside of school time can be submitted to us using the form as well. You will also find this link on the front page of our website in the Announcements section - Reporting a Student Absence. You may wish to favourite the page so that it is easy to come back to.