

25 May 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Dates to note

May half term – Monday 29 May to Friday 2 June (school closed to students)

School reopens – Monday 5 June

Year 11

Morning exams begin at 8:30am. Please ensure your child arrives early and prepared. This will ensure a positive start. Breakfast and revision are from 8:00am.

GCSE EXAM TIMETABLE SUMMER 2023



WEEK 1	Monday 05 June	09:00	1:45	English Language 20th Century Literature
	Tuesday 06 June	09:00	1:45	Spanish Listening & Reading
	Wednesday 07 June	09:00	1:30	Mathematics
	Wednesday 07 June	13:00	2:00	History
	Friday 09 June	09:00	1:30	Geography
	Friday 09 June	13:00	1:45	Biology
	Friday 09 June	13:00	1:45	Science

Principal's Excellence Awards

This week we have celebrated the students nominated in Year 7 for the Principal's Excellence Awards. Students had a lovely meal with me and their Head of Year.

Sports Update

13 sports leaders supported Grove, Northwood Broom and Hamilton Academy's sports day at Northwood Stadium. They were fantastic and helped the day to be successful. They put up with the cold and wet in the morning but didn't complain. One particular highlight was when a toddler who failed to stop running in the toddler race and started to make his way around the whole track but our sports leaders ran alongside and guided him back with the crowd of appreciative parents cheering.

11 Year 8 students took part in the Year 8 football final against Haywood Academy at Haywood. In the first half it was a tight game with Haywood taking an early lead. Just before half time our team managed to pull a goal back and go into half time 1-1. In the second half the team came out firing and were the better side and scored a fantastic goal to go 2-1 up. In the final parts of the game, we extended our lead twice with the game ending in a 4-1 victory. The year 8 team played a great game with Isrielli and Liam being selected as "the man of the match" jointly.

Experience Week

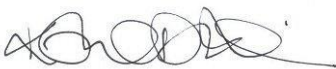
Students are now looking forward to experience week which will take place during the week commencing Monday 17 July. You will shortly receive a letter from the member of staff who is leading your child's year for the experience week activities. This will be followed by a letter from Miss Bunce informing you of the arrangements for sports' day which will take place during experience week. Permission forms are required for the experiences which will involve visiting other locations and it is essential that these are returned by your child to student reception by the date indicated in the letter. If you have not yet completed the data collection sheet that you would have received at the start of the year to give permission for your child to be invited on trips, please contact main reception. We require a **£10 contribution** from you for your child towards the cost of the many activities and outings which are organised for experience week. Please make this payment as soon as possible at by **Friday 30th June** at the latest.

STEM Olympics

5 Year 10 students attended the STEM Olympics event at Stoke Sixth Form College on Wednesday 24 May. They competed against other schools and were involved in 5 workshops throughout the day. The students involved represented the Academy with integrity.

Please contact us if you need this information in any other language or format if you have any questions. You can contact the office by email on info@bircheshead.org.uk.

Yours Sincerely



Ms K Dixon
Principal