

26 October 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

As we approach the end of term, I would like to express my sincere thanks for all the support you have given the academy and your child throughout this half term. The link between the academy and home is vital. I wish to continue building and growing these relationships and opportunities for us to work together. This has been done this half term through opportunities like Y7 Settling in Evening, Parents Evenings, Welcome to KS4 Evening, Friday Feedback 5 and our first Parental Forum.

It has been an exciting half term filled with various learning activities and experiences, and we have seen many achievements from our pupils. We are proud of their hard work and dedication to their studies and school experience, and we know that they couldn't have achieved these results without your support at home.

Parental Communication

Our next parental forum will be on the 9th November at 5.30pm. This again will be held virtually and will focus on our Learning Programme cycle. A link will be texted out to all parents at the start of the new half term. The aim of our parental forums is to ensure we can share key information with parents on a regular basis. All are welcome.

Please see attached to the letter a visual with all key lines of communication into the Academy. Can I please encourage you all to follow us on Facebook and Twitter, we are posting more regularly and using both platforms to share our daily, weekly successes and experiences.

17th November 2023 - Y8 and Y9 Review Day

School cloud is now open for all Y8 and Y9 parents to book their review day appointments. All other year groups will work from home and complete work set on Teams. If you would prefer paper based work, this can be collected from main reception on the 17th November, during the morning.

TT Rockstars

Throughout this half term, Year 7, 8 and 9 pupils have been competing with one another in year groups to be the champion Timetable Rockstar. It has been a pleasure seeing pupils revel in the challenge to improve their times tables. We recognize the importance of fluency with times tables, which can support pupils learning in Year 7 right the way up to higher GCSE topics. Please do encourage pupils to take the time each day to improve their times tables using TT Rockstars. The program will adjust in difficulty as pupils improve.

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



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Principal