

Birches Head Academy

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Dear Parent/Carer,

It's been a busy Spring Term at BHA and I am very impressed with what we have managed to achieve in such a short term. In the last few weeks, BHA pupils have travelled many miles with visits to the Italian Alps, Spain, London, Manchester and Oxford. With many pupils taking part, I am very grateful to staff for organising and attending these exciting trips. The opportunity to travel with friends and experience a different culture is one that doesn't come along every day; for some pupils these visits provide their first chance to travel by plane or by bus, and to sample life outside of the UK. Staff have reported that pupil behaviour and conduct has been excellent on each visit, so well done to all who have taken part. We're looking forward to offering many more similar opportunities in the future!

Rewards Assemblies

Throughout this week, pupils in every year group have been recognised for their achievements in their Rewards Assemblies. Our BHA reward assemblies happen at the end of each term and have become a highlight of the calendar for both pupils and their teachers. Certificates and prizes are awarded for attendance, subject achievements and contributions to our BHA school values. The assemblies this week provided a lovely opportunity for pupils to be recognised for their efforts and progress over this term.

Response to Parent Surveys – Friday 5

Since December, I have asked parents to complete a series of mini surveys, five questions sent out every two weeks, which would help identify the strengths of the school and what we can do to further improve the school. Thank you for taking the time to complete the mini surveys as your opinions matter a great deal to us. In response to your answers, Mrs Owen has compiled a 'You Said...We Will' bulletin which highlights how we are going to address several of the issues that you have raised. A copy of the 'You Said...We Will' bulletin will be published every learning program and will be available to view on our website.

Easter Booster Sessions – Y11

Please find below a timetable for Easter Booster Sessions. A separate letter has also been sent to Y11 parents to explain the logistics of each day.

Monday 25th March 2024	Design Technology	9:00-15:00
Tuesday 26th March 2024	Spanish	9:00-12:00
Tuesday 26th March 2024	Food	9:00-15:00
Tuesday 26th March 2024	Art	9:00-15:00
Wednesday 27th March	Photography	9:00-15:00
Wednesday 27th March	Health & Social Care	9:00-15:00
Thursday 28th March	History	9:00-15:00

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Dates to remember.

Monday 8th April – Pupils return to school after Easter. Wednesday 10th April – Y8 Ambition Day Wednesday 17th April – Sports Teams Photographs (9am-12pm)

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