Year 8 Newsletter

March 2023



Message from Head of Year!

Another fantastic term with the Year 8's. We have had a busy spring term where students have attended a careers fair. The Year 8's really enjoyed their time taking part in the activities. The year 8's have also been fortunate to see the Illuminate concert. They had an amazing time and listened to not only a positive message from the group but also some amazing music and songs.

A fantastic Aspire day for the Year 8's with lots of different activities and discussions for students.

We have had a lovely term where we caught up with many Year 8 parents at the progress evening. It was lovely to speak to you all and show you some of the fantastic things the students have been up to.

Special events

- Spring Musical.
- Careers Fair
- IlluminateConcert



Careers Fair Fun.

"No Lost Learning, No excuses"





Tutor Messages

MCR

This term has been quite dynamic for eight MCR. The student with the most overall points for behaviour is Carris Clark at 166, followed by Kyer, Strong at 152 and Zara with 150 points.

Well done to these star Pupils.

Attendance has improved this term with the majority of student spending more time at the academy we have also noticed a slight decrease in negative behaviour points which shows an overall increase in students getting it right

On sporting front we have a number of girls and boys involved in the football teams which have experienced several games and relayed some interesting anecdotes during tutor time.

We still have to work at the tutor time challenges as we have yet to win one - much to the chagrin of the form. Here's looking forward to after Easter some can give the other tutor groups a run for their money.

HPH

My tutor group have had a fantastic half term - attendance up, reward points up and consequences down - well done to everyone for their contribution to this! One highlight of the last 6 weeks was the tutor challenge on identifying which bookshelf belonged to which teacher - nobody correctly identified my own bookshelf at home, despite the obvious clues in the maths books. Congratulations to the REACH winners for being nominated for their Respect, Enthusiasm, Achievement, Community and Hard Work across school. Enjoy your Easter break and we look forward to you returning for the final summer term, with things to look forward to including Sports Day and rewards activity. Mr. Phillips.

HHO/JRO

Term 4 has been another successful one for 8HHO/JRO. Our tutor group have applied themselves in all areas around the academy, picking up lots of reward points throughout. Our pupils have worked hard to focus on three things; increasing their attendance, improving our behaviour, and staying at the top of the tutor challenge table... all three have been successful! Many of our students have also represented the academy across sports fixtures. Charlie B has captained the year 8 football team, with Liam R and Oscar P also playing for the team. Elsewhere, Abbey H, Jasmine W, Ava C and Maisie W have continued to show their talent for the girls' football team, as well as Abbey H, Jasmine W and Isabelle H also showing their diversity playing for the girls' netball team as well! A very sporty tutor group who are looking forward to summer sports and eventually sports day!

Final shout out goes to this term's REACH winners and tutee of the term.

Respect - Isabella B

Enthusiasm – Brooklyn CS

Achievement - Abbey H

Community - Oscar P

Hard Work - Gracie P

Tutee of the Term – Logan B

Well done to everyone this term, it was tough to pick just 6 of you for awards! Let's continue to set a high standard for ourselves and improve even more after Easter. We hope you all enjoy a lovely break and look forward to seeing you after half term (4)

Year 8 Desk Tidy project with a phone holder is new to the academy with cutting, shaping and forming wood and plastics, using machinery such as Pillar Drills and the Laser Cutter, and building up marking out and accuracy skills.



Amazing STEM projects this Spring.





Careers Fair!



Netballers spring into Action



Amazing Illuminate Concert

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Fabulous Easter Variety Showcase!

A wonderful performance on Thursday the 30th of March written and directed by the wonderful Mrs. Rush. We are immensely proud of our year 8 students who have participated in the Easter Showcase. The students performed a variety of performances for our Oasis students following an evening performance for the community. Carris beautifully showed off her singing abilities with numerous performances including a piece based off the hit TV show 'Wednesday'. Carris thrilled audiences with her comical number following a heartfelt ballad to finalise the show. We also had talented Tyler showing off his piano skills with a lovely melody sung by our very own pop star Jake. Our year 8 students shone so bright on stage we couldn't be prouder of them, and all other participating Oasis students.





Talented Artists

DGR

It's been a pleasure to spend another term with such a great group. Top of the leaderboard for attendance since September which is a massive achievement! Well done to everyone who has been given awards. Looking forward to spending another term with the group and keeping that top spot in attendance.

<u>IWH</u>

This term has been a triumph for attendance as far as 8IWH, well up on previous terms and significantly higher than 90%. Tutor challenges have proved a challenge - general trivia and music knowledge alluded many of us but we tried our best. We've also seen a massive drop in the number of negative points being given out which is great news and something we hope to continue after Easter. I have big hopes that we won't be in last place for behaviour in the rewards assembly. Fingers crossed!



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