

Monday 11th July 2016

Dear Parents and Carers

The end of the school year is fast approaching. All school years are busy but this one seems to have been busier than ever and is continuing right up to the end of term. It has also been a hugely successful year and we are delighted that so many Year 13 students have gained places at such prestigious vocational schools and universities.

The exam season is well and truly over for another year and we now await the results in August. Year 11 students can collect their exam results between 10am-12pm on Thursday 25th August.

I am very proud of the number of activities and all the opportunities we are able to give our students. Please read my blog which gives you a more detailed description of the activities students have been involved in. The final blog of this academic year will be posted on the BOA website before the end of term (<http://tinyurl.com/Principalblog2>).

During the week beginning Monday 15th August you will receive this year's information pack. Please ensure all the details are completed and returned to BOA. It is vital we have up to date home and mobile phone numbers as well as email addresses. Next academic year we are moving to sending newsletters and grade cards electronically. If you would like to still receive hard copies please request these at the beginning of the year.

I am delighted to say that Alliance in Partnership have been appointed as the new catering company. We look forward to the exciting new menus and having hot food on the menu again. Students will be able to pay by cash and card. A sample of the new menus will be in the information pack. Thank you to EDM Catering for stepping in at short notice to provide the canteen service this last term.

It's the time of year when we say goodbye to staff, thank them for all their hard work and wish them the very best in their new ventures.

Staff Leaving:

Georgina Aldridge	Teacher of English
Amy Ferguson	Teacher of Musical Theatre
Barbara Moore	Administrative Assistant
Sobia Naseem	Teacher of Computer Science
Sarah Spicer	Teacher of Acting
Chris Watson	Teacher of Acting

We welcome the following staff for a 1st September start:

Alexander O’Nions	IT Technician (placement)
Simon Reid	Curriculum Leader for Computer Science
Neil Lawton	Director of Humanities
Matthew Gardner	Musical Director
Stacy Hancock	Teacher of Acting
Alice Scott	Teacher of Acting
Chelsea Wright	Teacher of Acting
Jenny Gotheridge-Davies	Teacher of Art
Amy Coughlan	Teacher of Dance
Sophie Hubble	Teacher of Dance
Georgina Meller	Teacher of Dance
Gemma Mills	Teacher of Dance
Kate Mason	Teacher of English
Jordan Howell	Teacher of English
Raheem Adigun	Teacher of Maths
Michael Judd	Teacher of Music
Beth Liley	Teacher of Music and Music Technology

Important Dates

The Academy will finish at 12.15pm on Thursday 21st July 2016.

Year 11 results day - Thursday 25th August 10am-12pm.

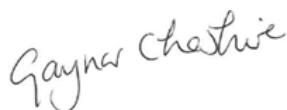
Current Year 10s return as Year 11s on Wednesday 7th September at 9am at BOA.

Current Year 12s return as Year 13s on Thursday 8th September at 11.30am at the Old Rep Theatre for a full assembly.

May I take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to all the staff who have worked so hard over the year and obviously to you as parents. BOA is far from a normal school and it requires a time commitment from parents as the students work exceptionally long days. I realise many of you provide the ‘taxi service’!

Have a happy, restful holiday and I look forward to seeing you in September.

Yours sincerely



Gaynor Cheshire
Principal