

Wednesday 6th September 2023

Dear all,

RE: Year 11 (Class of 2024)

I hope you have all had a brilliant summer break, and that students are refreshed and prepared to embark on the next chapter of their school journey, Year 11.

Starting Year 11 marks a significant milestone in your child's educational journey and we are excited to support them during this pivotal phase. The staff are committed to supporting each student reach their full potential in their GCSE's at the end of this year.

I am very much looking forward to working with you to get the very best from students individually as this is always a collaborative effort. I would like to thank you in advance for your support with this.

Attendance

As we embark on this new academic year, I would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone of the impact of attendance that will contribute to your child's success. Every student in year 11 must give themselves the very best opportunity to succeed in their final year, which will mean they need to be in school, on time, every single day.

The link between attendance and attainment is very clear. Students with attendance Academic data from the DfE shows that 84% of students with 100% attendance achieved grade 4-9 in both English and Maths.

To give themselves the very best chance they must strive to have attendance over 98% for the year. This will be my target and expectation for each of them.

Important Dates for the Academic Year

- Year 11 Mock Exams: Starting from Monday 20 November, these exams will provide valuable practice and feedback to students as they prepare for their final examinations. It is essential that students take these mock exams seriously, as they will help identify areas for improvement and build confidence ahead of their final assessments.

- Parents' Evening: On Wednesday 1 Novermber, we will be hosting a Parents' Evening, providing an excellent opportunity for you to meet with your child's teachers, discuss their progress, and address any concerns or queries you may have. Your active involvement in your child's education is instrumental in their success, and we encourage all parents to attend. Information about these events will be sent out later in the term.

In addition to these dates, we will also be organizing various workshops, revision sessions, and support programs to ensure our students receive the guidance they need to perform at their best.

At The Bourne Academy, we believe in fostering a collaborative partnership between the school, parents, and students. Together, we can create an environment that empowers our young learners and prepares them for a bright and prosperous future.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me on my email address below. I very much look forward to seeing everyone in school tomorrow.

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