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Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome back. I have had the pleasure of leading the assemblies this week for all Year groups. We focussed on our mantra of 'High Expectations, High Aspirations, High Standards – You will succeed'. The student's behaviour, attitudes and engagement were exemplary.

Standards

Uniform has been very good so far this week. Just a reminder that leggings are banned in school. If a young person has an issue with a skirt or it is broken then they must wear school trousers.

Please ensure all students have the correct footwear and have the correct equipment. They can buy equipment from the 'trolley' on entry to school if this helps. Our equipment is also incredibly reasonable.

Strike Action

Many thanks for all your kind messages regarding the Strike action. As you will be aware, the next two planned days for strike action are Thursday 27th April 2023 and Tuesday 2nd May 2023.

The decision on the previous Strike day to close the school to three Year groups was definitely the right one, due to the number of teachers I had available. I am preparing for the Strike on the 27th April 2023 and 2nd May 2023 in a similar way. The plans, as you can imagine, are very comprehensive and if we have more staff available on the Strike days, the plans are also flexible to accommodate this.

We have an added complication that Year 7 are on their residential on the 27th April 2023. Therefore, to ensure that they are not at a disadvantage and that the trip can go ahead I will only be able to open the school to Year 11, the DP and our vulnerable students on the 27th April 2023.

On the 2nd May 2023 I will be open again for two year groups as I have been previously on Strike days. I have prioritised Year 10 as they are nearing their mock exams.

Thursday 27th April 2023

**School will be open for Year 11, DP and our vulnerable students
Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 work from home**

Tuesday 2nd May 2023

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The above groups will be set project-based work on Oak National Academy website which is a resource that aligns to our curriculum. The work will also be sent via email and will also be available on the website. If there are any problems with the content, then please contact Mr Kinsey kinsey@boteler.org.uk who is in charge of the Quality of Education.

If you have a technical problem, please contact my Business Manager Mr Frodsham mfrodsham@boteler.org.uk

What to wear and what to bring to school on the 27th April and 2nd May

- Full uniform is required
- Non-uniform items are not permitted.
- Please bring your PE kit if you have PE
- All students must pack their bag as if they were following their normal timetable on that day.
- All students need their bag, full equipment including their calculator and ISP.
- Year 11 students need to bring their CGP Knowledge Organisers and Knowledge Retrieval books with them as well as independent revision.
- All students are to bring a reading book.
- There will be no Period 0 or Period 6 for Year 11 on the 27th April 2023 or 2nd May 2023.

The vulnerable students who are coming in who work in the Progress Hub will need to line up outside in their KS3/KS4 spaces at 08.25 and then they will be met via the relevant staff. These students need to bring all their work for their timetabled day. We will then place these students with key staff, once we know how many are coming in to school.

The DP students are to go straight to the DP on arrival and will follow a bespoke timetable. All other Students are to line up outside at 08.25. Year 11 will be brought into the Hall for a briefing and when Year 10 are in they will go to the Dining Room.

The Dining Room will be open for food at break and lunchtime as normal for those students who are in school.

If your child is in receipt of FSM (and is not in school) they are welcome to pick up a lunch package. If this is the case then please can you let us know as soon as possible by emailing fsm@boteler.org.uk The ordered lunch packages will be available at 12 noon from the Foyer on the 27th April 2023 and the 2nd May 2023.

Please may I take this opportunity to thank you for your patience and understanding regarding the changes we are having to make. Your support is very much appreciated and really does have a positive impact on the smooth running of the day.

If you have any questions then please email me directly bscott-herron@boteler.org.uk

School Council's donation to Ukrainian Orphans

Towards the end of last term our School Council organised the donations of clothes, toys and books for children affected by the war in Ukraine. School Council were able to collect, pack and send off 26 big boxes and would like to thank all the staff and students who donated and helped sort through items.

Over the Easter break, a group of volunteers from Cheshire travelled to Poland with 3 large vans filled with items, including our 26 boxes, for an orphanage in Poland currently housing 750 children who have lost their parents due to the ongoing war in Ukraine. They were incredibly grateful for the donations given and have assured us that all items will be put to use as they cater to children up to the age of 17.



Year 10 Post 16

On Tuesday 25th April Year 10 students will be taking part in mock interviews with local employers and colleges. Their CV needs to be completed and brought with them to their interview.

Please join us next Thursday 27th April at 5:30 pm for the Post 16 Information Evening. Our local colleges will be joining us. If you would like to attend please confirm on the following link:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=9iuQMzETyE6qHvCKCvXUMfBPxUkk12xBnZ_A4Y0CUF9UNjBTMkRKSks5UFdSTVJTVjNFQzFIWUQxNy4u

Have a great weekend!

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Beverley Scott-Herron'.

Beverley Scott-Herron
Headteacher

Youth in Mind

at Warrington Youth Zone

Youth In Mind is a free and discrete drop-in service for young people aged 7-19 (up to 25 with additional needs) who are experiencing problems relating to their emotional wellbeing.

No appointment or referral is necessary.

Opening Hours

Mon-Fri, 3pm – 7pm
Sat & Sun, 11am – 3pm

Open 7 Days
a Week



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