

# Academy News

15th December 2023



Dear Parents/Carers,

As we quickly move ever closer to the end of an eventful term it is helpful to take stock of all the positive events that have happened this term. In one term, we have:-

- Taken students to the West End to watch The Lion King
- Hosted Destiny Africa
- Held a magical musical performance evening from our Year 11 music students
- Taken Geographers to Southwold
- Planned a trip to Madrid next year
- Raised more money for our group going to Tanzania
- Launched ClassCharts and our online reward store
- Held auditions and rehearsals for the upcoming Beauty and the Beast Show
- Appointed our new Headteacher, Mrs Claire Elliott, for September 2024
- Taken eligible KS4 students to Norwich for a reward trip
- Participated in sports fixtures across the county in a broad range of competitions
- Hosted a Year 7 Parents' Evening
- Hosted a Year 9 Information Evening
- Held a Year 10 Information and Work Experience Evening
- Hosted a Year 11 Pathways Evening
- Co-hosted a Careers event with Ipswich High School
- Welcomed families to a very successful Open Evening for new Year 7 students
- Held mock exams for all Year 11 students
- Joined our local communities on Remembrance Day
- Donated toys and games for refugees from Afghanistan
- Rewarded students for good attendance through the '20 Day Challenge' and whole form groups
- Issued 162,729 positive points...

## Calendar / Upcoming Events

19th December - Year 10/11  
Norwich Reward trip

20th December - end of term

3rd January - Students  
return (Week 2)

5th January - Year 7,8,9  
Cineworld Reward trip

When we look back at all the things that we have achieved, it is mind-boggling to think we have done this in 14 weeks.

I would like to thank our staff for all that they have done and continue to do. I would also like to thank parents/carers for their support of the changes we have made and wish you a peaceful festive season when it arrives next week. Our last day of this term is Wednesday, just in case you have forgotten.

George Anstee-Parry  
Acting Headteacher



### **Safeguarding Information**

During school hours, please contact Miss Crabtree (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead) or ask to speak to a member of the Safeguarding team - 01473 328317

At all other times, please contact Customer First : 0808 800 4005 or

If you believe there is an emergency and a child is at risk of **immediate harm** please call the Police on **999**.

### **Useful Information**

Links to support services:-

**Childline:** 0800 1111

**The Wellbeing Hub 'Teen Tips'** Log in information was provided to parents/carers on 26th May. Please contact the office if you would like the information sent to you directly.

**Online bullying** [www.thinkuknow.co.uk/](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/)

**Kooth** - Online counselling service and peer to peer support for young people aged 11-25: [www.kooth.com](http://www.kooth.com)

**Emotional Wellbeing Gateway website (Suffolk Infolink Directory)** – Information, advice and guidance on common mental health issues. Access to mental health services like the Emotional Wellbeing Hub [www.emotionalwellbeinggateway.org.uk](http://www.emotionalwellbeinggateway.org.uk)

**The Source website for young people** – Sources of information and advice important to young people in Suffolk, including emotional wellbeing support: [www.thesource.me.uk/wellbeing](http://www.thesource.me.uk/wellbeing)

**Mental Health Crisis** – Call 111, option 2

**Sexual Assault:** Call NSPCC 0800 136 663 or [help@nspcc.org.uk](mailto:help@nspcc.org.uk)