

# BARCLAY ACADEMY

## NEWSLETTER

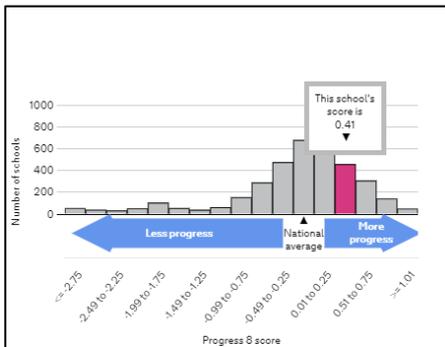
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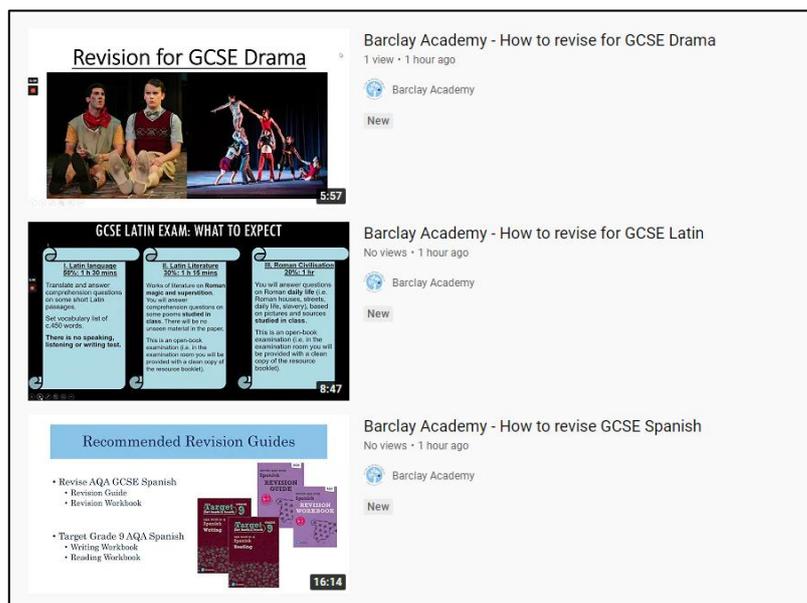
Dear Parents and Guardians,

I am not sure where the time has gone? This half-term has gone by extremely quickly.

Yesterday morning, the Department for Education published the GCSE results for all secondary schools on the government website. Our progress 8 score of +0.41 was excellent and puts us in the top third of all the schools in Hertfordshire. Our grade 5 and above in both English and Maths results were superb and the 67% we achieved was well above both the national and Hertfordshire averages. We are very proud of these results and, with your continued support, we can go on to ensure that future year groups also achieve strong GCSE and A-level grades.



# YEAR 11 REVISION VIDEOS



The screenshot shows three video thumbnails from the channel 'Barclay Academy':

- Revision for GCSE Drama** (5:57): A video showing students in a drama rehearsal.
- GCSE LATIN EXAM: WHAT TO EXPECT** (8:47): A video with text overlays explaining exam expectations for Latin language, literature, and oration.
- Recommended Revision Guides** (16:14): A video listing revision resources for AQA GCSE Spanish and Target Grade 9 AQA Spanish.

To aid the year 11 students in revising effectively in each subject, each department has created a video explaining the exam, the content involved and effective revision strategies or revision materials. This can be accessed via the Barclay Academy YouTube channel.

A direct link has also been put onto the noticeboard for year 11 on Satchel one.



<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCyIlg2IcLLDCNrxI7a2h2rqQ>

## SPORTS

On Wednesday, the year 7 girls took to the football pitch for their very first time. The first game saw us draw 2-2 against a very tough opponent in Hitchin Girls School. For our second game we came away with a 5-1 win against JHN. It was a great afternoon and well played to all that were involved. Players of the match go to Olivia Dobbs for excellent goalkeeping and Brooke Booth for a number of spectacular goals.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November – Half Term Holidays**

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November – Return to School**

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November – Y11 Mocks**

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November – Y10 WhatCareerLive @ London Olympia**

# GRIMM TALES

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This week, the Drama department have put on a production of Grimm Tales a packed audience over two nights. Grimm tales tells the tale of traditional fairy tales but with a twist. It was wonderful to see students from Year 7-13 working together to put on such a fantastic play. We would like to thank Mrs Calvert and Dr Mawford for all their hard work in directing the show and Ms Davies for her wonderful set design. There will be more photos to follow after half term.



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## BARCLAY ACADEMY PTA

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***Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm in the Library***

Please come along to our first meeting of the year. We are keen for as many possible to attend; share your thoughts over a cup of tea, coffee and a biscuit, and help us to support the school in raising much needed funds.



We are still in need of a treasurer and a secretary, so if this is something that you think you may be able to help with, please contact the school.

If you would like to help with the PTA, but are unable to attend this meeting, please contact [k.hackett@barclay.futureacademies.org](mailto:k.hackett@barclay.futureacademies.org) so we can add you to the group.



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