BARCLAY ACADEMY

NEWSLETTER

Friday 23rd June 2023



Dear Parents / Carers,

This week has been a particularly busy one with the end of the examination season and both the Year 11 and Year 13 leavers' assemblies. I want to thank all the staff who have supported Year 11 and Year 13 for everything they have done this year and I want to wish our students all the very best for their exam results and for the future.



We have had a number of trips this week. On Tuesday, a group of Year 9 students went to the University of Hertfordshire. On Wednesday, Dr. Mawford took her Year 10 Classical Civilisations class to the British Museum and a group of Year 8 students went to London to see a performance of Wicked.

Please can I remind you to ensure that your children bring a water bottle to school now that we are experiencing warmer weather. We are having an additional water fountain installed on the playground to increase capacity because I know that this has been a problem.

As you know, if I am able to take calls from parents then I will but I am not always available. There are some days when I have to attend meetings in London or in other parts of Hertfordshire which means that I am off site. If the matter is urgent then please speak to one of the Vice Principals or the Assistant Principal or leave a message with my PA, Miss Wadeson.

Students should not be coming to school in trainers unless they have medical evidence from a doctor. We still have a month left of school and it is important that everyone adheres to the school rules. We have very high expectations at Barclay Academy and we expect to have the full support of parents. We can offer support to anyone who is experiencing financial difficulties. Please contact your child's Head of Year if this is a problem.

You might have seen in the news that there is more teacher strike action planned for the beginning of July. These dates are Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th July. We will inform you nearer the time what the plans are for these days. Can I also remind you that there is an INSET day on Monday 3rd July.

Have a lovely weekend! Best Wishes

Dr Matthew Laban

Principal

SPORTS

On Monday, the Year 7 and Year 8 teams joined together to take part in a Rounders Tournament. It was the first time the two teams had merged together, we had a bit of a slow start but eventually they started to work together. We had two loses

against Priory and Barnwell and were able to draw against King James and Highfield.

Well done to all the girls involved, the player of the tournament was Leah D in Year 8, as she played a number of different positions to help the team out.

YEAR 8 WICKED THEATRE TRIP



On Wednesday 21st June 81 Year 8 students went to see Wicked at The Apollo Victoria Theatre in London. For some students this was their first time going to a theatre in London and all students very much enjoyed seeing the show. We look forward to taking more students to the theatre over the next academic year.

YEAR 10 BRITISH MUSEUM TRIP









On Wednesday, Barclay's Year 10 Classical Civilisation students visited the British Museum and experienced an interactive session on the Parthenon Gallery led by an expert member of the Museum's staff. They also had the chance to explore the Museum's collections and see the remains of these impressive ancient civilisations first-hand, and even take on a treasure hunt for some of the Greek and Roman gods and monsters!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thu 29 June

Y9 HPV2

Y6 Picnic 3.30pm-5.00pm

PRE - LOVED UNIFORM SHOP

Barclay Academy's Second Hand Uniform Shop opening time is Wednesday 1.30pm - 3pm

Please email <u>admin@barclay.futureacademies.org</u> to check stock levels with the size, requirements and arrange an appointment which will be on Wednesday between 1.30-3pm to collect.

Please can I remind all parents these are 2nd hand items and we depend on donations so we may not have what you need.

Anyone that would like to donate old reusable uniform please hand into Reception.





Greetings,

As the academic year winds to a close here at North Hertfordshire College, we're getting in touch with a couple of exciting updates for your school. This includes information for parents/carers about new career opportunities at the College, as well as details about our last open events of the 22/23 academic year.

Join the NHC Family

NHC are holding a recruitment event to promote a number of roles within our organisation. As there are roles which may suit parents and which are flexible with school hours, could you please share the below information with your students' families.

Our Supported Studies team is growing – come and join us! Tuesday 4th July, 4 - 7pm – Stevenage Campus, Monkswood Way (SG1 1LA)

North Hertfordshire College is always looking for the best talent to join our team. As our provision continues to grow, we're looking to bring some new faces on board to help make a difference to young people's lives. This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in a career in supporting individuals to develop their skills, knowledge, and confidence for independence and success as they prepare for adulthood.

We're not only committed to seeing our students achieve their goals – we're here to help our staff achieve theirs, too! Our Supported Studies and Springboard team members regularly have the opportunity to upskill and unlock new qualifications that help them take their careers to the next level.

Interested in working with NHC in another department?

We'll be showcasing some of our other amazing job opportunities during our Recruitment Event, so please do come along and discover what we have to offer.