

# BARCLAY ACADEMY

## NEWSLETTER

Friday 12th January 2024



Dear Parents / Carers

Happy New Year! I hope that you had an enjoyable Christmas holiday. It seems a distant memory already!



We have had a big clamp down on uniform this week because I want to start the new year as we mean to go on. We must have high standards in everything we do and uniform is no exception. Students must all be wearing proper school shoes every day, they must tuck their shirts in and they must bring their blazer. There should also not be any nose piercings. These are the school rules and we expect full compliance. On a positive note, I was very pleased to see more school coats this week because the weather has been much colder.

We have also been clamping down on lateness to school. Too many students were arriving after the white gates close at 8.25am and some have been doing this to avoid line up in the playground. Anyone arriving after the white gates close will be issued with a 30 minute detention. I am pleased to say that punctuality has already improved!

Attendance is so important. Some statistics that have been released by the government this week show that only 36% of children with poor school attendance go on to pass their GCSEs whereas 84% of children with good attendance achieve the higher grades. Attendance is linked to how well you do at school. Please make sure that your child has excellent attendance.

Have a lovely weekend!

Best wishes,

**Dr Matthew Laban**  
Executive Principal

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK

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Congratulations to the following students for being invited to Feast Friday with Dr Laban. The students were chosen at random from the Feast Friday weekly raffle. All students who have received a Student of the Week award are entered into the raffle.

Pixie D 7APO2, Scarlett F 7 ZEU1, Liana O 8ATH2, Isabelle P 8ATH2, Tiiana C 9ATH, Alfie F 9ATH, Andrei G 10HER, Ella G 10ATH, Nisha H 11APO and Vishnu P 11APO.

## PRE – LOVED UNIFORM SHOP

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

Please email [admin@barclay.futureacademies.org](mailto:admin@barclay.futureacademies.org) to check stock levels with the size, requirements and arrange an appointment, which will be on Wednesday between 1.30-3pm to collect. Anyone that would like to donate old reusable uniform please hand into Reception.

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January** – Year 13 Parents' Evening

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January** - Year 9 GCSE Options Evening

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February** – Year 9 Parents' Evening

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February** – Year 8 Parents' Evening

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March** – PGL Adventurous Activities Trip Year 7

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March** – Malaga Spain Trip Year 9 and Year 10

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March** – Year 12 Parents' Evening

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March** – Year 12 Work Experience Week

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March** – Year 10 Parents' Evening

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** - Year 10 Work Experience Week

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March** – Year 7 Parents' Evening

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March** - Y7 PGL Adventurous Activities Residential

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March** - Y9/Y10 Malaga, Spain Residential

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** - Y11 Revision Retreat Residential