

Parent Bulletin

21st October 2023



Dear Parents & Carers,

Well we seem to have weathered Storm Babet reasonably well - on Friday we braced ourselves for a very wet day but the rain abated at lunchtime a little and gave our students the opportunity to get some fresh air before the afternoon. When wet weather strikes in an open school like ours, we do have contingency plans in place but will always seek to keep as much of the site open as possible. Unfortunately we do not have enough indoor 'social' areas as we might like, and moving around the site inevitably means our students need to go outside so please make sure that your child brings a raincoat to school when the weather is poor so that they don't get caught out in the rain! Fortunately next week looks milder, but the weather will start feeling a little colder now and a proper weatherproof coat is important.

Psychology Club

Mrs Moseley is starting a Psychology research club for years 9, 10 and 11 each Friday lunchtime. This is a great opportunity for students to find out a little more about the inner workings of the mind and get a taste of one of the most popular A Level subjects in our school and across the country - we'd love to see your son or daughter there - see the ad below!

Poppy Appeal

As we approach remembrance day, we will of course be making poppies and other accessories available for those who wish to show their support for the armed services and Royal British Legion. Please do encourage your child to donate to support this important charity and show their support for our brave service personnel.

Halloween Disco

Some of our Year 11 students are raising money for our Charitable Peru '25 expedition and have given up their time to arrange a Halloween disco for students in years 7 and 8 this Thursday, 26th October. The party is from 6 - 8pm and will be supervised by staff volunteers alongside our Year 11 expedition members!

On the night there will be a disco; refreshments will be available (can students please bring a small amount of cash for these); and a fancy dress competition (those wishing to take part are should come in Halloween costumes!). Tickets are £5 and will be available to purchase on ParentPay, these must be booked in advance as tickets will **not** be available to purchase on the door.

All the proceeds of the event will go towards the 2025 Peru community project expedition: some of our pupils will be visiting underprivileged communities there in order to take part in construction and environmental projects for the benefit of the local community. The students will also have the incredible opportunity to visit Machu Picchu and have an incredible, one in a lifetime experience!

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We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

Staffordshire residents' survey

We have been asked by our Local Authority to publicise an important residents survey for all those living in Staffordshire. This is a great opportunity to share your views on our community and community services. Please follow this QR code to take part.



Scan here to
access survey

One last week before a well earned break: whilst I know students are tired at the end of a long half term, please do all you can to make sure your children attend every possible day through the week!

Have a great weekend!

Tom Macdonald

Headteacher



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Notices

Calendar

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Next Week (23rd - 27th October) | | | | Year 7 & 8 Halloween Disco 6pm - 8pm | School Day finishes at 3.00pm for the half term holiday |
| Week After (30th October - 3rd November) Half Term Break | Half Term Break | | | | |
| Future Events | School resumes Monday 6th November GCSE Resits start week beginning 6th November | | | | |

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Useful Info

[WAT student and parent website](#)
[Class Charts Parents' Information Guide](#)
[Cheslyn Hay Academy Website](#)
[Revision Guide for Parents](#)

Remote Education

If you have any questions about remote education please contact Mr. Hood at
info@cheslynhay.windsoracademytrust.org.uk

Student illness

Please let us know if your child is ill by reporting the absence through the Class Charts App or website. If your child is too ill to access the work via their Google Classrooms, please add this detail to the dialogue box. Please let us know how long you think they will be unable to complete the work and if the illness is suspected coronavirus

Questions or queries

General questions or concerns about your child, the work set or other issues please email
CHA-HoH@cheslynhay.windsoracademytrust.org.uk

Updates and messages

The Student and Parent site is regularly updated with messages and guidance [Student and Parent / Carer Remote Working Guidance website](#).

iPad for Learning Scheme

If you are a Key Stage 3 parent and would like to know more about our exciting new scheme, please email ghood@cheslynhay.windsoracademytrust.org.uk

Technical Support for Google Classroom

For technical support, such as password resets, please use the technical help request on the Student and Parent site [Tech Help](#)

Safeguarding

The Cheslyn Hay Academy Safeguarding Team members are

Ms L Podmore
Mr D Wigg
Mrs S Saunders
Mrs K Spooner

Mrs J Bonser
Mr M Bourne

Please email cha-sgt@cheslynhay.windsoracademytrust.org.uk if you have any concerns.

However, if you have a safeguarding concern about a child please call First Response on **0300 111 8007** outside of the school's hours. If there is an urgent response needed please phone 999 or 111

For anything else please email headteacher@cheslynhay.windsoracademytrust.org.uk or use the contact us page on our website [Contact](#)



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Term Dates 23/24

Autumn Term 2023

Half Term: Monday 30 October - Friday 3 November
Inset Day: Monday 27 November
Inset Day: Friday 8 December
Term Ends: Friday 22 December
Holiday: Monday 25 December - Friday 5 January

Spring Term 2024

Term Starts: Monday 8 January
Half Term: Monday 12 February - Friday 16 February
Term Ends: Friday 22 March
Holiday: Monday 25 March - Friday 5 April

Summer Term 2024

Term Starts: Monday April
Half Term: Monday 27 May - Friday 31 May
Inset Day: Friday 21 June
Term Ends: Friday 19 July
Inset Day: Monday 22 July
Holidays: Tuesday 23 July - Friday 30 August

