

Parent Bulletin

23rd September 2022

Dear Parents

This is the first opportunity we have had to welcome everyone back into school and to celebrate the amazing exam results we had this summer. Further in the bulletin there are more details about the results. Students have returned to school ready to learn and standards have been very high. As you are all aware, next week will be my last week as Headteacher at Cheslyn Hay and I will write a final letter to say goodbye properly next week. I am pleased to welcome Mr Macdonald, the new headteacher, who has been into the school for the day to familiarise himself with the school, ready for his start on 3rd October and will be in again next week, working closely with me to ensure a smooth transition.

Results

Year 11 and Year 13 students achieved our best results ever this year, with 75% of students achieving at least a grade 4 pass in English and mathematics and for 46% of students this was at least grade 5. Attainment across all subjects has increased to 49.86, from 44.19 in 2019, the last time we had examinations before the pandemic. 79% of grades were at grade 4 or above and 24% were at grade 7 or above. Some standout achievements include:

Nicole Ingles and Charlie Johnson who achieved 8s and 9s in all their GCSE subjects

Freddie Dyke, Lauren Hodson, Anthony Price and Paige Gregory whose grades were almost all 8 or 9

In the Sixth Form results were also excellent, with 32% of all grades A*/A and 62% graded A*-B. 82% of all grades were A*-C, and the pass rate was 99%. This high performance is also reflected in vocational results, with the average grade being Distinction Star.

Alongside the excellent overall results, there were numerous standout individual achievements:

James Dorricott will be studying medical physiology and therapeutics at the University of Nottingham, having achieved three A*'s in biology, chemistry and physics.

Cain Raby achieved an A* and two As.

Sophie Burns achieved an A*, A and Distinction*.

Thomas Steptoe achieved 3 As.

Brogan Pugh achieved Double Distinction* and A.

Triple Distinction* in Art - Lily Brookes-Payne, Carmen Connolly, Daisy Crowe, Emily Hall, Katherine Roberts and Harriet Tolley.

Triple Distinction* in Sport - Lily Simkin and Benjamin Simpson

The vast majority of students secured their first choice destination, either at university or apprenticeship, with examples including: Fine Art at Kingston University, English at Liverpool University and International Studies at Warwick University. One student will be starting their professional football career.

INSET Day

A reminder that Friday 30th September is an INSET Day and school is closed to all students.

School Photos

Professional school photos will be taken on Wednesday 28th September. Your child will be taken for their photo with their year group throughout the day. There is the opportunity for sibling group photos to be taken at lunchtime. Please note, this is only for siblings within Cheslyn Hay Academy.

Alumni

We would like to reach out to our former Sixth Form students in order to share the further education and career paths they have taken since leaving school. This not only encourages and inspires our current students, but is also something we are proud to share with the community. If you have any former Sixth Form students within your family, please advise them to contact Miss Dziegiel on forrester@cheslynhay.windsoracademytrust.org.uk

Open Evening

Our annual Open Evening for students currently in Years 5 and 6 will take place on Wednesday 5th October. More details will be shared next week.

Aspire / Character

This week the students have learnt about the importance of democracy in their Culture Vultures session. This has allowed them to see how responsibility can be demonstrated in wider society. Please also look out for a relaunch of our house competitions. This will give the students an opportunity to be courageous in taking on new challenges and winning some house points for their house. A number of students have expressed interest to help out in our upcoming open evening. Thank you in advance for their efforts and we know they will do an amazing job!

Super-curricular enrichment timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before school 7:45-8:15		Basketball (JBR) - Tie off, trainers on		Dodgeball (CBR) - Tie off, trainers on	
Lunch 12:45-1:15pm	Keyboard club N4 JBU All years Y7-9 Football (SRU/CBR) - Tie off, trainers on	Key Stage 3 Debate Club GFI Year 8 Reading Group NMA in E8 Y7/8 Basketball	Vocal Group N3 NOS All years Y9/10 Basketball (SMI/JBR) - Tie off,	Band N3 NOS All years Gothic Folklore/Fairy Tales LRO in E7 (sixth form) Y7-10	Y10/11 Football (SRU/CBR) - Tie off, trainers on Y7-9 Girls Basketball

	Y7-11 Badminton (KPA) - Tie off, trainers on KS4 Languages Club LBI in G7. Y10 BTEC Business Club LKH in U3	(SMI/JBR) - Tie off, trainers on Y10 GCSE Spanish Club FFR in G8 Y7 - 10 Maths MASTS Club - L1	trainers on Year 9 Reading Group TEV in E3	Dodgeball (CBR) - Tie off, trainers on Wellbeing Club, ABR, E6 KS4 Media club - ZMA P5 Y7 - 10 Maths MASTS Club - L1	(SMI/KPA) - Tie off, trainers on Art Club A4 - HHS
After school 3:10-4pm	Y7-11 Netball (NAR/KPA) Y7-11 Badminton (CWO) Y7-11 Rugby (CBR/JBR)	Y7-11 Girls Football (KPA/CBR) Y7-9 Basketball (SMI/JBR) Y12-13 A Level Maths support in L4/L5		Science club Y7-8 in S7 3-4pm Y7-11 Trampolining (KPA) Y10/11 Football (CBR) Y7 - 10 High Challenge Maths Club - L1 Y7 - 10 Maths MASTS Club - L5 Y7 - 10 Geometry in Art and Board Game Club - L2 Y12-13 A Level Maths Drop in - L4	HSM Rehearsal lecture theatre N3/N4/M1 All years(CHAMPS) AWI, JSM, NOS Y7-9 Football (SRU/JBR/CBR) Y10/11 Basketball (SMI)

Introduction from our new Attendance & Education Welfare Officer

If your child needs to attend an appointment during school time (which can't be made after school or in school holidays), we will require parents/carers to make contact in advance via ClassCharts with the date and time your child needs to leave and/or will be returning. We

will also require the evidence of the appointment so we can authorise and code it correctly; this can be in the form of text from the surgery/practice, letter, appointment card, etc.

We recommend that your child attends school before and after the appointment, and that if they are leaving school that a parent/carer or family member collects them from reception.

Please be aware that non-urgent doctors, dentist appointments and check-ups should be made outside school time. If an appointment must be set in school time, then it will only be authorised with evidence and for a reasonable margin of time (not half a day for a local GP/Dentist). We understand orthodontic treatments, hospital clinic appointments, etc. may take longer but please try to minimise time out of school where possible.

Louise Evans

Sports News

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before school (07:45 - 08:15) Tie off, trainers on		Basketball (JBR)		Dodgeball (CBR)	
Lunch time (12:45 - 13:15) Tie off, trainers on	Football (SRU/CBR) Badminton (KPA)	Basketball (SMI/JBR)	Basketball (SMI/JBR)	Dodgeball (CBR) Netball Shooting (KPA)	Football (SRU/CBR) Girls Basketball (SMI/KPA)
After school (15:10 - 16:00) Full kit	Y7-11 Netball (NAR/KPA) Y7-11 Badminton (CWO) Y7-11 Rugby (CBR/JBR)	Y7-11 Girls Football (KPA/CBR) Y7-9 Basketball (SMI/JBR)		Y7-11 Trampolining (KPA) Y7/8 Football (CBR/JBR)	Y9-11 Football (SRU/JBR/CBR) Y10/11 Basketball (SMI)

If your child would like to take part in the district athletics meetings, can you complete the google form on the link below. Transport will be provided by the school to take students to the event and to bring them back to school. Parents can watch and therefore take them

home from the venue if they wish.

The form can be accessed on the following [link](#).

Upcoming Fixtures

Y10 Boys Football (Home) v Cardinal Griffin - Wednesday 28th September.

Y10/11 Girls Football (Away) v Friary - Wednesday 28th September.

All Years Cross Country @ Cardinal Griffin - Monday 3rd October.

Y10/11 Girls Football (Home) v Codsall High - Wednesday 5th October.

All Years Cross Country @ Chase Terrace - Monday 10th October.

All Years Cross Country @ King Edwards - Monday 17th October.

Can we take this opportunity to thank the students for the way they have started the academic year. PE kit has been of a very high standard and attendance to both lunch time and afterschool clubs has exceeded expectations.

There are a few reminders below:

All jewellery must be removed before taking part in a PE lesson.

Students should not have their mobile phones during a lesson. Mobiles can be handed into the PE teacher for safety.

Boys in Year 7 and 8 will have rugby during the year and for health and safety reasons, will be required to have a gum shield.

Safeguarding Update

If you have any concerns about your child's wellbeing including issues with other students within the school please contact your child's Head of House to bring this to their attention so that this can be resolved as swiftly as possible. If the concern is related to safeguarding then please contact a member of the safeguarding team. See contact details below:



Cheslyn Hay Academy

Chat to us

Safeguarding at Cheslyn Hay Academy

If you don't feel safe, or if you are concerned for the safety of another student then we are here to help.

Our focus is to ensure the wellbeing of all students within our care.

Miss Podmore (Designated Safeguarding Lead)

Mrs Saunders (Deputy DSL)

Mrs Spooner (Deputy DSL)

Mr Bourne (Deputy DSL)

Ms Crookshank (Deputy DSL)

Mr Wigg (Deputy DSL)

Mrs Cooke (Deputy DSL)

Miss Bonser (Deputy DSL)

Mr Baker (Deputy DSL)

cha-sgt@cheslynhay.windsoracademytrust.org.uk

Useful Information

[WAT student and parent website](#)

[Adverse Weather policy](#)

[Class Charts Parents' Information Guide](#)

[Cheslyn Hay Academy Website](#)

Remote Education

If you have any questions about remote education please contact Mr. Hood at

info@cheslynhay.windsoracademytrust.org.uk

Keeping up to date

Letters and parent bulletins can be found on Parents or Publications pages of the school website. Follow us on social media:

<https://www.facebook.com/CheslynHayAcademy> and <https://twitter.com/CHAcademyTweets>

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

Help with Google Classroom

The Student and Parent site has guidance and help with any questions on how to use Google classroom

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
- Ms N Crookshank
- Mr D Wigg
- Mrs S Saunders
- Mrs K Spooner
- Mr M Bourne
- Mrs J Bonser
- Mr C Baker

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](#)

Term Dates 22/23

Inset Days (school closed to students):

Monday 5th September
Friday 30th September
Friday 2nd December
Monday 26th June

Monday 24th July
Tuesday 25th July

Autumn Term 2022

Inset day: Monday 5 September
Term starts: Tuesday 6 September
Inset day: Friday 30th September
Holiday: Monday 24 October – Friday 28 October
Inset day: Friday 2nd December
Term ends: Friday 16 December
Holiday: Monday 19 December – Monday 2 January

Spring Term 2023

Term starts: Tuesday 3 January
Holiday: Monday 20 February – Friday 24 February
Term ends: Friday 31 March
Holiday: Monday 3 April – Friday 14 April
Easter Sunday: Sunday 9 April

Summer Term 2023

Term starts: Monday 17 April
May Day: Monday 1 May
Holiday: Monday 29 May – Friday 2 June
Inset day: Monday 26th June
Term ends: Friday 21 July
Inset day: 24th July and 25th July
Holiday: Wednesday 26 July – Friday 1 September