

# Parent Bulletin

## 8th September 2023



**Dear Parents & Carers,**

I hope you're all doing well and had a wonderful Summer. We've just wrapped up our first week of the new term, and I'm delighted to say it's been a great start. I wanted to take a moment to share some highlights and important reminders with you.

Our school has been buzzing with energy and excitement, despite the incredible heatwave, and it's heartening to see our students settling back into their routines and to meet our new year 7 and year 12 students. Your support has played a significant role in making this possible, and we're very grateful for it.

One crucial aspect I'd like to emphasize is attendance. Regular attendance is key to your child's progress and contributes to the positive atmosphere here at Cheslyn Hay Academy. Every day at school presents opportunities for growth, learning, and connection. Please help us by ensuring your child attends school every day that they can - we cover almost quarter of a GCSE's worth of content each week so every extra day a child comes into school makes a big difference to their academic achievement.

Another important matter is our school uniform. A neat and proper uniform not only represents our school well but also fosters discipline and a sense of belonging among our students. Whilst we have made some minor tweaks to the uniform approach, and offered some more detailed [guidance](#), there are no substantial changes for this year. We are keen, however, to establish and maintain high standards and so please do re-familiarise yourself with the guidance as we are keen to avoid conflict in school. Helping your child to meet our standards each morning will help them to have a focussed, comfortable day in school without challenge. **Please note, as we expect the temperature to return to more typical levels next week, students will be required to wear their blazers each day.**

At this time of year we prepare for our Open Evening on the 28th September and you child may well be invited to support the evening. Please keep an eye out for permission slips and consent forms to take part in this important event in our school's calendar: not only is this valuable to our future students but it is a great opportunity for many of our current students to represent their school and show off their amazing civic and leadership skills.

As we journey through this academic year, I'm filled with hope for what's to come. Together, as a strong school community, we can achieve remarkable things. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to our dedicated staff.

Thank you for entrusting us with your child's education and well-being. Let's work together to make this year a successful and memorable one for all!

Warm regards,

**Tom Macdonald**

Headteacher

Cheslyn Hay Academy



## Notices

### **ASPIRE Sixth form Tutor/Parent Consultation Evenings**

Our **Year 13 tutor/parent consultation evening** will take place on Thursday 14th September 2023. During this evening we will discuss the importance of the coming year to include Expectations, Mock exams, UCAS timeline, Open Days, Apprenticeships and Prom. Please sign up for this event on the google form linked here:

#### **[Year 13 tutor/parent consultation evening](#)**

Our **Year 12 tutor/parent consultation evening** that will take place on Thursday 21st September 2023. During this evening we will discuss the importance of the coming year to include Expectations, Mock exams, Briefly discuss future destinations, Work Experience and Active Learning Week. Please sign up for this event on the google form linked here:

#### **[Year 12 tutor/parent consultation evening](#)**

### **Open Evening Comments and Quotes**

As part of our open evening and marketing campaign for future students, we like to share the thoughts and comment of parents in the school. If you have a comment in support of the school that you would like to share with our future students and parents, please click the link below to complete the short google form to support our school:

#### **[Open Evening Comments and Quotes](#)**

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## Calendar

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Next Week (11th -15th September)</b>				Year 13 Tutor/Parent Consultation Evening	
<b>Week After (18th - 22nd September)</b>				Year 12 Tutor/Parent Consultation Evening	
<b>Upcoming Events</b>	Open Evening - Thursday 28th September INSET Day - Friday 29th September				

## Useful Information

[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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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

Mr C Baker  
Mrs J Bonser  
Mr M Bourne

Please email [cha-sgt@cheslynhay.windsoracademytrust.org.uk](mailto: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](mailto:headteacher@cheslynhay.windsoracademytrust.org.uk) or use the contact us page on our website [Contact](#)

## Term Dates

### Term Dates 23/24

#### Autumn Term 2023

Inset Day: Monday 4 September  
Term Starts: Tuesday 5 September  
Inset Day: Friday 29 September  
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