

12 December 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Autumn Term 2024

As we approach the latter part of the Autumn term, I would like to provide you with an update from the academy.

Christmas Closure

We will be maintaining our normal curriculum arrangements up to Thursday 19 December. **Friday 20 December will incorporate lessons and celebration assemblies.** It is also our Christmas dinner day and students can wear a Christmas jumper if they wish (under their blazer, with their usual uniform).

As previously notified with the Christmas Dinner information, Friday 20 December school will close early to students, at 1pm, school transport will arrive to collect students at 1pm **except for the following shared transport: 403 (Elsham, Worlaby, Bonby), 405 (Cadney, Howsham) 2Way 422S (Scawby) these buses will pick up at the usual time.** You are, of course, welcome to collect your child at 1pm, otherwise children remaining in school will be supervised until 3pm. **The academy will re-open 8.45am on Monday 06 January 2025.**

Enrichment

This term our students have been involved in a number of experiences out of the classroom including visits to:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Y8 The Borrowers Theatre visit • Year 7 Pantomime visit • Cyber North • Houses of Parliament, Supreme Court • Latin Conference • Manchester City football match • Othello – Stratford -upon-Avon • Science Mavericks • Lincoln University visit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abbey Village Care Home • Brigg Christmas lights • England Lionesses football match • Brigg Remembrance parade • Y7 and Y8 Dallowgill field trips • Numerous Sporting Fixtures – including badminton, golf, ten-pin bowling, cross country, cricket, netball and football
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We would like to encourage as many students as possible to take part in our enrichment activities in 2025.

Oliver Jr! Performance and Christmas Concert

'**Oliver Jr!**' we hope you enjoyed the production this week and thank you to everyone who supported them but most of all, thank you to the students who have worked so hard rehearsing for their Christmas performance.

The **Christmas concert is on 18 December. Tickets are still available to buy via MCAS.**

Huge thanks to Mrs Carmichael and Mrs Stapley for all their time and effort in producing these events.

Student Reports

Student reports for both KS3 and KS4 will be issued via My Child at School at the end of January. The reports for Year 7, 8 and 9 will be based on the results of the assessments that students have been sitting recently.

Road safety

To ensure that students/school buses are able to leave site safely, please can we remind you that parking/waiting in the bus circle from 2pm -3:30pm is not permitted. Also, please be patient when driving near the crossing as we have had a few occasions when cars are driven too quickly putting staff and students at risk. It is always our aim to prioritise student safety and we give them priority using the crossing.

We have also been asked, by those on the industrial units (opposite Brigg Primary) to remind parents that they are not permitted to park on their premises as it poses a safety risk. Thank you for your support, patience and consideration.

Winter Weather

As we head into the winter months, we always expect to remain open. In the event of severe weather conditions (snow) you will appreciate this isn't always possible. Where this is the case we will communicate any school closures via the following lines of communication.

- My child at school app. We will text parents using the app.
- Academy Website - all the latest news and events are held on our academy website and we will ensure any closure is featured as soon as possible.
- X (formerly known as Twitter) and Facebook - we have an active X account @TVAbriigg and Facebook account where we will post news and updates from the academy to compliment the information already available.

Where no updates have been provided parents should assume that the academy is open.

Uniform and equipment

Can I please request that parents/carers continue to support us in ensuring students adhere to the uniform expectations shown below.

Academy uniform expectations:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Blazer - Academy blazer• Trousers - Plain style, black tailored trousers• Skirt – pleated black knee length skirt• Shirt - Plain style, white shirt buttoned to the neck• Jumper - v-necked plain black knit (Optional - to be worn under blazer)• Shoes - Plain style, black polishable shoes. No embellishments. Boots are not permitted.• Socks - Plain style black. Tights - Plain style black• Academy tie to be always worn	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Plain black belt, with standard buckle only• Delta PE kit should be brought in on the appropriate days• No Jewellery/earrings/Apple watch or equivalent• No make-up/false eyelashes/false nails/nail polish• No fizzy drinks permitted• Planner• Black pen/green pen/pencil/ruler/calculator in a pencil case
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Please, over the Christmas break, **could you check that your child has the basic essential equipment for all lessons** including; pencils, pens, rubbers, sharpeners and crayons. We strive for students to be independent learners and would like them to come back in January equipped and ready to learn. Thank you.

Unfortunately, this term we will be saying farewell to Mrs Deans (Exams Officer), she has done a phenomenal job over the last three years. Mrs Burger will be taking the reigns from January. We wish Mrs Deans a very happy retirement.

Moving forward to the end of another busy and successful term, all that remains is for me to wish you a peaceful Christmas and a Happy New Year, on behalf of everyone at the academy.

Yours faithfully



Dr S Stokes
Principal