ACADEMY UPDATE

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Friday, January 10, 2025



Happy New Year!

We hope you had a restful and enjoyable holiday season. It has been wonderful to welcome all our students back this week as we begin Term 3. In assemblies this week, I spoke about reflecting on 2024, looking forward to 2025, making positive changes and how this can lead to positive outcomes in our lives.

Year 9 Parents Evening: Wednesday 15 January, 4-7pm

Year 11 Exam Support: Thursday, 23 January, 6-7pm, Please confirm your attendance <u>here</u>

Year 8 Parents Evening: Wednesday 29 January, 4-7pm

I spoke about 'higher level qualities and values' and how these bring us closer to happiness, fulfillment and purpose. I specifically spoke about how gratitude, truthfulness, absence of anger and restraint from fault finding lead us to live a better, clearer, more positive life. I spoke about how the 'lower level values and qualities' such as greed, ego and envy need to be managed and controlled. I have suggested that all students reflect on this assembly on how they can use the advice to better their own lives. Please so take a moment to ask your child about the assembly and their thoughts on it.





How You Can Support Us:

- Encourage Reading: Please support your child by encouraging daily reading.
 Discuss what they are learning and explore their interests.
- Ask Questions: Talk to your child about their goals for the term. Reflecting on successes and areas for growth can be a powerful motivator.

As always, your support is invaluable.

Together, we can ensure that all our students continue to thrive and succeed.

With best wishes for a successful term ahead.





Polite Notice

A reminder to please let us know if your child is coming into school unwell.

If a child becomes too unwell to stay in school we will contact you.

Did you know? If your child is absent, you can notify us by sending us a message via Edulink or calling 01424 730722, option 1 and leaving a voicemail.

Some Pictures from our Christmas Concert (December 2024)









We are thrilled to announce that Bexhill Academy has been entered into the prestigious Butler Cup for Chess in the Under-14 division. This is a fantastic opportunity for our students to showcase their strategic thinking and teamwork on a competitive stage.

We will be competing against:

- Lancing College
- St Andrew's Eastbourne
- Brighton College

We are incredibly proud of our chess team and wish them the best of luck as they prepare for the matches.

Year 11 Update

For our Year 11 students, this term is crucial as they prepare for their upcoming exams:

- 5 school weeks remain until Mock 2 Exams (starting Wednesday, 26 February).
- 13 school weeks remain until the written GCSE exams commence in June.

Please encourage your child to use their time wisely, seek support where needed, and remain focused on their revision goals.

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MESSAGES





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Request for donations please: We will be running a tombola at our Year 10 parents evening to raise money for Bexhill Foodbank. If you have any donations of unwanted Christmas gifts, bottles, chocolates, toiletries etc please can you kindly bring them in to school for us to use as prizes.

Thanks in advance, Jo Deeprose and the Year 10 team

Summer Reward Trips

In term 6 we will be running our annual reward trips for years 7 – 10. Students with good attendance and behaviour will be invited to attend their respective trip. Below is information regarding the venue for each year group's trip and an approximate cost.

Year 7 – Legoland, Windsor – £38

Year 8 – Chessington World of Adventures - £44

Year 9 - Thorpe Park - £44

Year 10 – Port Lympne Safari Park – £42



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Year 7's - New Year, New Term

It's been wonderful welcoming the Year 7's in to a positive start for 2025. With January being long and dark we have noticed the children being especially tired and feeling the blues a little. Always reassure your children that this is a normal feeling following Christmas and coming back to school. Please also get in touch if your child is not 100% but coming in to try because then we can let Medical know, we always appreciate them trying to access school.

We have had lots of positivity around scholarships, Congratulations to our new scholars

Nicola Humphries

Uniform Donations Welcome!

Do you have old uniforms you no longer need? Your donations are greatly appreciated and help support our school community. Please drop them off at reception—thank you for your generosity!

Absences

We kindly ask parents not to rely solely on emailing pastoral managers to report absences, especially in the mornings. If the pastoral manager is unavailable, the school may not receive the message in time. Please ensure all absence notifications are directed to the administrator for your young persons year to ensure they are properly recorded. Thank you for your cooperation.



SPORT





Year 11 Boys Football vs Buckswood – 1 – 0 up at half time but cancelled due to heavy snow!

W/C Monday 13th:

Monday – Year 9 Boys Rugby vs Lewes Priory Thursday – Year 8 & 9 Girls Football vs St Richards

As always, thank you for supporting our students as they represent the Academy.

Ben Petty Director of Physical Education



SAVE THE DATE





Coming Up

Spring Soiree – Thursday 1st May 2025

Shrek the Musical – Tuesday 15th – Friday 18th July 2025

Tickets available here: www.ticketsource.co.uk/bexhill-academy



DATES



Term 3 - Dates for your Diary

- Monday 6th January Start of Term 3
- Wednesday 8th January Year 5 Science Masterclass
- Wednesday 15th January Year 9 Parents' Evening
- Wednesday 22nd January Y5 Music Masterclass
- Wednesday 22nd January Blood Brothers Workshop
- Thursday 23rd January Y11 Exam Support Event
- Wednesday 26th January Year 5 Drama Masterclass
- Wednesday 29 January Y8 Parents Evening
- Wednesday 12th February Y10 Parents' Evening

Term 4 - Dates for your Diary

- Wednesday 26th February Friday 7th March Yll Mock Exams
- Wednesday 12th March Y9 Options Evening
- Thursday 20 March Y9 Option Form return
- Wednesday 26th March Yll Parents' Evening
- Friday 28th March Yll Geology trip
- Tuesday 1st April Y9 Vaccinations
- Thursday 3rd April Y10 Paris trip

Term Dates

- Monday 6th January Start of Term 3
- Friday 14th February End of Term 3
- Monday 24th February Start of Term 4
- Friday 4th April 12.30pm finish End of Term 4
- Tuesday 22nd April Start of Term 5
- Monday 5th May Bank Holiday The Academy is closed
- Friday 23rd May End of Term 5
- Monday 2nd June Start of Term 6
- Tuesday 22nd July 12.30pm finish End of Term 6.

