

Wath Academy Newsletter

Issue 1

Principal's Update

07 January 2022

Dear Parent / Carer,



I'd like to start by wishing you all a Happy New Year, I also hope you all had a good break over the festive period.

Success Stories

This year we would like to celebrate the successes of our students. We have therefore created an email address: achievement@wathacademy.com for parents/carers to send in information about their child's success.

Recently Ruthie Jones-South achieved IDTA Level 1 Award in Graded Examination in Dance: Grade 2 in Contemporary Modern Jazz, which she passed with Distinction. She also took part in her first show for two and a half years due to the pandemic and did amazingly well.

Well done Ruthie, we are very proud of you and we are pleased to hear that you are back enjoying what you love!



INSET Day

On Tuesday staff took part in a number of sessions during INSET day to prepare them for the term ahead. The sessions included a Culture and Vision session led by myself and then a teaching and learning CPD session focusing on baselining (a strategy used to find individual starting points at the beginning of the lesson) led by our Whole School Lead Practitioner.

Finally staff also took part in department specific Teaching & Learning CPD in which subject leaders led a session based on the teaching and learning needs of the department.

Covid-19 Testing

Whilst the staff sessions were taking place we also completed the pre-return Covid-19 test LFD tests. We are pleased to say this process went very well ensuring that students who tested positive could isolate before returning to the academy and potentially spreading the virus.

Trials

This term will be a busy term for Year 10, 11 and 13 as each year group will be taking part in a round of trial exams. The information gathered from these trials will be invaluable for students and teachers to ensure that that each student gets the support they need to prepare them for their final exams. We wish them the vey best of luck over the coming weeks.

As always, thank you for your on going support.

Yours sincerely

Mr Ransome **Principal**

Meet our new staff members

We are delighted to announce two of our new members of staff who started with us on 4 January.

Miss Smith – ICT Key Stage 3 Co Ordinator Mr Gardiner – Teacher of English



'Meliora Spectare' – 'Look to Better Things'

Sixth Form

UCAS Deadline - Wednesday 26 January 2022

If students have not paid and sent their applications they will need to make an appointment to see Mrs Potts.

Sixth Form interviews – Interviews will be taking place on Wednesday 2 February and Thursday 3 February.

Trial Exams

Year 13 - Started this week and will finish Friday 14 January.

Year 10 – Monday 17 January – Friday 28 January.

Year 11 – Thursday 27 January – Friday 11 February.

Upcoming Parents' Evening

Year 7 - Tuesday 22 March 2022

Year 8 – Tuesday 11 January 2022

Year 11 - Tuesday 8 March 2022

Year 13 – Tuesday 29 February 2022

Fundraising

Each year at the academy, staff who do not wish to send Christmas cards put donations together and then donate the money to charity. This year the chosen charity was Bluebell Wood. In addition to this there was also a collection at the Christmas Music Concert and the overall figure raised was £993.45!!! We can't thank our staff and those who donated enough, this will make such a difference to the charity and the families they support!!

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House Events

Each week in this section we will update you on the winners from the previous week and what there is to look forward to for the coming week.













Friday 14 January – Hoop Challenge. Hoops there it is.

Box Challenges

Box 1 - New Years resolution Challenge

Box 2 - Winter Selfie Challenge

Box 3 - House Anthem Challenge

Online Quiz - More information in next weeks issue!

Football Scholarship

Upcoming fixtures

Next week is the start of the new years fixtures. The teams cannot wait to get back out on the pitch!

Monday 10 January

Boys 2nd XI – Brook House Col (A)

Wednesday 12 January

Girls - Bolton Wanderers (H)

Boys 3rd XI – High Stors (A)

Boys 3rd XI - Sheffield Wednesday (A)

Boys 2nd XI - Wolfreden (H)



Sports Hall Athletics

We are competing in the Y7 and Y8 Sports Hall Athletics competition's this half term.

Y7 Boys and Girls – Wednesday 12 January

Y8 Boys and Girls – Tuesday 18 January

Both will take place at Clifton School, 3:45pm - 6:00pm