



# **PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE**

10 February 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

#### **Success Stories**

A huge congratulations to Josh Bastow in Year 13 for securing a place at the prestigious London Theatre School 'D&B Academy of Performing Arts'. He will undertake professional training in Musical Theatre in September. We are very proud of you Josh! Well done!

# **KEY DATES:**

Tuesday 21 February -Year 12 Parent's Evening

> **Y11 Trial Exams** wks com 20,27 Feb

**2022/23 TERM DATES** Our term dates and INSET days for this academic year can be found on the academy website by clicking the following link

If you would like to share your success stories with us, please email us via the following address: achievement@wathacademy.com.

## Staffing Update

Over the last week we have added another Student Support Worker to the staff body. We are looking forward to Miss Spencer joining us in the coming weeks to further support our most vulnerable students.











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## Torch Magazine

The latest edition of Torch has been published. It includes many articles about events within school and beyond, including the recent ski trip. You can find the latest addition via the following link:

https://www.wathacademy.com/torch



# Vaping

Earlier this week I wrote to parents/carers regarding vaping and some concerns on the local community. The letter can be seen via the link below if you have not already seen it.

https://www.wathacademy.com/page/?title=Whole+School+Letters&pid=345



#### Academy Awards

Following the hugely successful Academy Awards event hosted last year at the Sheffield City Hall, we have again secured the historic venue for this year's event which will be held on Wednesday 19 July 2023.

On the evening we will be rewarding a number of students with a range of awards as well as watching the Academy's best musicians, dancers and actors. Last year Mark Labbett (best known as 'The Beast' from ITVs The Chase) presented awards. We will be looking to secure a celebrity once again to make the event special for our students.

We will be giving out over 2000 free tickets to students, parents/carers and the community for what promises to be an exceptional night.

We would like to provide local businesses with an opportunity to be involved in the event by sponsoring a page in the programme or even a prestigious award. In addition to advertising the business, we would also provide two VIP tickets which include reserved seating and drinks on arrival.



All money raised through sponsorship will be put directly in to making the event even more special. If you would like to sponsor the event in any way, please get in touch with us at <u>academyawards@wathacademy.com</u>.

This week brings a close to the third half term and marks the halfway point of the academic year. As always it has been a very busy half term for staff and students. We hope that everyone manages to get a good rest over the half term period and enjoys spending time with family and friends. We look forward to welcoming students back on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February at the normal time.

Yours sincerely

Mr Ransome

Principal



## HOUSE COMPETITION WINNERS

Hula Hoop Challenge- Carthage Box Tax Chinese New Year – Carthage Online Challenge Champions – Troy Sixth Form Challenge – Head of House Last Read Quiz – Troy







Building teamwork, confidence and community through competition