



20 December 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we come to the end of another successful school term, I am delighted to take a moment to reflect on the achievements and growth that our students have experienced over the past 4 months. It continues to be an exciting and rewarding journey for both our dedicated staff and our wonderful students.

Throughout this term, our students have demonstrated exceptional dedication to their studies, participated enthusiastically in various extracurricular activities, and showcased their talents in different aspects of school life. We have witnessed remarkable achievements in academics, sports, arts, and personal development, and we could not be prouder of the collective efforts that have made these accomplishments possible.

Our teachers have worked diligently to create a nurturing learning environment, and your support as parents/carers has played a crucial role in fostering a positive atmosphere for our students. The collaborative partnership between home and school is instrumental in the success of our students, and we appreciate your commitment to your child's education.

Successes

- In October we had a successful Ofsted in which we maintained our grading of 'Good'. - <https://northbirminghamacademy.e-act.org.uk/about-us/our-results/ofsted-reports/>
- In November, our year 11 students successfully completed their GCSE PPE exam series. There have been many celebrations and lots of actions put into place to ensure the same success is celebrated when they collect their GCSE results in August 2024.
- Football success - Jephthah Aminwaa (Y7) and Remell Pond-Parnell have been successfully talent identified at a year 8 football fixture by Wolverhampton Wanderers and have started their training with the academy.
- Our year 10 BTEC Food students tested their culinary skills in preparation for their assessment by cooking the Senior Leadership Team and Pastoral Team a beautiful Christmas meal. The talent across the whole cohort is exceptional and the evening was enjoyed by all.
- Approximately 80 students successfully performed in our end of term Christmas show, 'A Night at the Musicals'. This was another great evening in which our very talented students got to perform in front of a sell-out audience.
- Food hampers donations – It's thanks to our incredible students, staff, and wider community that we have been able to support our most vulnerable families with Christmas Food Hampers. Our Attendance Team have been busy packing up approximately 30 hampers and will be delivering these, with Mr Bolwell before the end of term. We will be offering this ongoing support throughout the academic year, and we continue to be grateful for any donations received.



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End of term arrangements

Gentle reminder that Friday 22nd December is our last day of term and it is a compulsory school day for all. Students will start to be dismissed from 12pm onwards. This will be a non-uniform day for all students for which students can donate £1 or a can/packet of food for our Food Bank. Students have been informed of the expectations about appropriate dress code e.g. no ripped jeans, short tops, etc. To cater for the earlier finish, there will be more food options at break time and a packed lunch option for students who are Free School Meal to collect and take home.

Return to school

All students will return to school on **Tuesday 9th January at 8.40am**. This term, the majority of students have engaged in our high expectations for uniform. However, if there has been issues with your child's uniform, we would appreciate you ensuring that this is rectified over the break to ensure a positive start to the term. If you require any support with this, please contact the relevant Head of Year in a timely manner.

Please note that students will have a new timetable in January. They will be issued with a paper copy of this on Friday, but they will also be able to access it on Class Charts from the 5th January 2024.

I wish you and your family a joyful and restful time together. May the upcoming break provide an opportunity for relaxation and rejuvenation, allowing our students to return for the next term with renewed energy and enthusiasm.

We look forward to building on the achievements of this term and working together to ensure a productive and fulfilling educational experience for all our students.

Once again, thank you for your continued support, and I wish you a joyful holiday season and a Happy New Year!

Yours sincerely,



Mrs J Paddock
HEADTEACHER