

Newsletter

Date: 20th December 2024

Excellence | Kindness | Respectful

Key Dates

Whole School
End of Term
20 December 2024

Whole School
Start of Term
6 January 2025

Year 11
Revision Evening
15 January 2025

Year 9
Photo Day
15 January 2025

Year 8
Parents' Evening
15 January 2025

Year 11
Mock Results Day
16 January 2025

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Message from Mrs Hingley

On the last day of the Autumn Term, I would like to thank you for your support over the last four months. It has certainly been a long term, but so much has been achieved, which was the theme of our celebration assembly today.

We wish all our families a restful Christmas, filled with joy and memory-making. In the end of term assembly today, we have reminded students of the need to demonstrate kindness over the festive period, and to think of those who are less fortunate, or those who are alone – and we've asked our students to do what they can to make a difference.

We look forward to welcoming our students back to school on Monday 6th January for the start of the Spring Term.

Have a fabulous Christmas break.

Celebration Slips / House Points

Wedgewood House 860 points	Moorcroft House 925 points	Duchess House 1075 points
3rd	2nd	1st

Values in Action



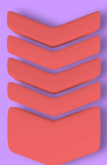
Excellence

Our school values of Kindness, Excellence and Respectful also link closely to the WAT Aspire Mountain. Our Year 9 art students recently went to visit Wedgwood and saw Ferdinand the Bull. The story is an extended metaphor for courage, compassion and kindness. The pupils had an amazing time, demonstrating not only the qualities above but also Excellence in the way they conducted themselves.

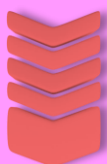
Attendance



Year 7
97.8%



Year 8
94.7%



Year 9
93.8%



Year 10
92.8%



Year 11
90.5%

Whole school
93.6%

[Attendance info-Click here](#)

Personal Potential

We would like to extend our thanks to all our musicians, singers, staff and audience members for making this year's Christmas Concert the best yet. Our event was a really exciting showcase of all the talented performers here at Boughey. Supporting this year's event, the food students made a beautiful selection of Christmas nibbles, and we were also able to enjoy an art exhibition of GCSE pupil's work. Well done to all involved.

Year Group Update

Year 7

Year 7 have continued to set the standards in term of attendance, just as they have throughout the year. Wednesday saw Year 7 complete their first Aspire day where once again they were exemplary in ensuring they got the most out of the day. Today (Friday) they had their first experience of the traditional Boughey Christmas assembly.

Year 8

A real well done to Year 8 for maintaining such high attendance as we move towards the Christmas holiday. It is really pleasing that they continue to see the importance of good attendance throughout the entire year. Wednesday saw Year 8 take part in their first Aspire day with so many pupils commenting on the positive experiences they gained from the day.

Year 9

As we move towards the end of term, it has been really pleasing to see Year 9 maintaining the high standards they have been setting themselves all year. Year 9 certainly made good use of this week's Aspire day with so many staff commenting on how maturely they approached the day and the amount they got out of it.

Year 10

To keep on theme, the Aspire day showed the best of our Year 10s and it was great to hear such positive feedback. It is great to hear Year 10 starting to discuss future plans and careers. If anyone in Year 10 has any questions about next steps, careers and college, please speak to Mr Kerr or Mr Porter.

Year 11

The valuable experiences and information shared at the Aspire day will continue to support Year 11 over the coming weeks. Next term, we will be staging a Mock Interview Event for students to practise their skills of preparing for a formal interview.

Student Leadership

Our Civic Leaders were delighted to welcome Phil from Staffordshire County Council into school to help publicise the Longest Night campaign run in conjunction with The Samaritans. It is important as this time of year that people have somewhere to turn to if they feel things are getting overwhelming. Please share this information if you know of anyone who might find it helpful.



Safeguarding and welfare

As we approach the festive season, it's a great time to relax and spend quality time together. However, it's also important to stay mindful of your teenager's safety, especially with new electronic devices, social activities, and increased online engagement. Stay involved by setting up parental controls and discussing responsible device use. Know who your child is meeting, where they are going, and encourage regular check-ins. Promote healthy online behaviour by reminding them to be cautious about sharing personal information or images. During the holiday break, school staff will not be responding to emails. If your query relates to safeguarding, please contact our team at safeguarding.alerts@stb.academy. For urgent concerns, contact Staffordshire Safeguarding Team 0300 111 8007 (Mon-Thurs 8:30 a.m-5:00 p.m., Fri 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.). Outside these hours, call the Emergency Duty Team at 0345 604 2886. We wish you a safe and enjoyable Christmas break!