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Parent Bulletin - 17th March 2023

Headteacher Update:

Dear Parents & Carers

It feels like only yesterday that I was wishing you a Happy Half Term. As we hurtle towards the Easter holidays I would like to take this opportunity to officially launch our weekly Parent Bulletin which will be sent out every Friday evening. The aim of this communication is for us to share important notices and messages with you, to celebrate events and good news and keep you informed of weekly upcoming events and any changes that might occur, we will develop this over time but if you have any ideas or suggestions as to what you would like included in the bulletin then please email info@greatwyrley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk with the details.

I would like to thank you for your support and patience this half term following the strike action which has taken place across the country. Whilst we appreciate that there has been disruption we have tried to ensure that all students were able to access their learning whether this be on a face to face or virtual basis. Snow has also provided us with additional challenges this term and the decision to close a school is never taken lightly and whilst I am confident that it is unlikely that we will need to deal with such severe weather this academic year please be assured that in any instance where a school closure is possible we will do so with the health and safety of our students and staff at the forefront of all decisions and again, I want to thank you for the support over those couple of days.

Shortly after the Easter holidays the Year 11 students will enter a real important time in their school career and the exam season will commence. We will shortly be releasing details of our 5 week, individual exam plan for students and we will communicate this with parents and students shortly. Details of the Easter revision sessions will also be released shortly.

I hope you find this bulletin useful

Mrs K Moore
Headteacher

School Events for this week:

Love2Dance Event - On Wednesday 16th March a number of students across all Year groups took part in a trust wide event at Walsall Arena. The event consisted of this in the drama and dance clubs at GWA performing a number of pieces alongside other schools within the trust.

We are incredibly proud of all of the students involved who displayed some of the real character virtues such as resilience and courage.

Dry Ski Slope Trip - On Wednesday 16th March those students who are taking part in the ski trip to Andorra over Easter went to the dry ski slope to test out their skills and get in some much needed practice beforehand. Students and staff had a fantastic time and are now ready for the trip.

Year 10 and 11 Theatre Production of An Inspector Calls- Key stage 4 students were treated to a live performance of An Inspector Calls which is one of their GCSE texts.

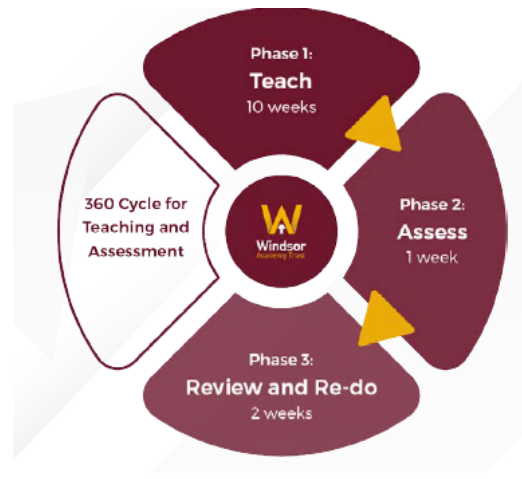
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Curriculum Updates for this week:

This week students in years 7, 8, 9 and 10 have started to complete their Key Assessment Tasks (KATs).

This will continue into next week as part of the 360 Cycle for Teaching and Assessment.

After completing the KATs students will move onto the Review and Re-Do stage of the cycle where they will go over knowledge that they have not yet fully mastered



For students in Year 11 and Year 13 we have shared on their year group google classroom the **Roadmap to exam success**.

This resource has also been sent out via parent mail.

Students can access the links within this document to aid in their preparation for the Summer examination series

Student Services Updates for this week:

Great Wyrley Academy students have received over 1000 aspire points this week. The top 3 character virtues and learner skills demonstrated this week are being **responsible**, **communicating clearly** and being **organised**. Well done to everyone who has received aspire points.



Responsible	203
Communicate clearly	164
Be organised	146
Self-quiz	127
Become unstuck	107
Creative	95
Resilient	75
Respectful	53
Be collaborative	33
Courageous	31
Compassionate	6
Total	1040