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Community High School



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Dear parent/carer,

I hope you are well and that you have had a good week.

We had a fantastic Open Evening last night with so many of our students volunteering to help out – we are so proud of them all. Our two head students, Estelle and Ben, spoke to year 6 parents/carers in the main hall and they were extremely impressive. We had over 240 families visit the school, which is significantly higher than we have ever had before and really shows how the improvements we are making as a school community are making a difference.

Our House events are well and truly up and running now, so far we have had Tug of War, Geographer of the year, Bake Sale and Pyjama appeal.

Our Cadet unit went on a fantastic residential trip this week to Inskip in Preston taking part in many activities

Today, our year 11 Geography students have gone to the River Wyre as part of their Geography GCSE course.

Next week we have:

Tuesday 4 October Whole School PSHE Drop down day

Wednesday 5 October Film Night

Thursday 6 October Year 11 Revision Launch

Thursday 6 October Birchwood College open evening

It is very important to let us know via class charts if your child is going to be late or absent for any reason. The instructions of how to this are attached.

We do not have many behaviour issues at all here at Birchwood, but for those who do make the wrong choices a time we are exploring ways that we can support students to improve their behaviour. So, as an alternative to issuing a Fixed Term Exclusion for breaches of our behaviour policy, secondary schools in Warrington have agreed the shared use of their internal isolation rooms so rather than formally exclude a pupil for a serious incident; provision has been made for them to be educated off-site at an alternative local secondary school for a period of time. We have partnerships with Sir Thomas Boteler High School, Padgate Academy and Culcheth High School. Should your child's behaviour breach our behaviour policy we may take the decision to use an off-site intervention at one of these schools, thus ensuring that instead of having time out of education, your child would be able to continue to access learning within an education setting.

Thank you as ever for your ongoing support.

Best wishes and take care,

Emma Mills