

10th October 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

Five weeks into the term and already it feels like the pupils and staff have put so much effort into their work here at Budmouth. We believe that a focus on extra-curricular events provides young people with an outlet that reaches far beyond the classroom. Being part of a team or club provides children with a key sense of positive **Engagement** with the school community. Many of our societies and groups, like the School Leadership teams, the LBGT+ club and our Rights Respecting School Group also help to build a sense of **Self-Worth** for our students. We also believe we can help students build a sense of **Purpose** through the wide range of academic clubs and interventions that are related to learning. It is these three **Guiding Principles**, Self-Worth, Engagement and Purpose that help shape so much of what we do here at the Academy.

Our Head Students, Sports Captains and overall leadership teams have been selected and announced for the academic year ahead. These are as follows:

School	Attenborough	Hawking	Shelley	Turing
Head Students	Erin Newport Oliver Frowd	Lewis McNab Naira Mutagirova	Alfie Merton Isla Clark	James Payne Heidi Olson
Deputy Head Students	Rowan Graham Charlie Chambers	Lewis Allen Jamie Glen	Louie Ozaki-Barker Rae Smith	Florrie Bardell Finlay Bennett
Sports Captains	Sadie Robinson Ava Hines Maraia Ratulailai Daisy Howlett	William Harris Sophie Thomas Harrison Moss Freya Goodhew	Ffion Stone Elliot Pearson Millie Downton Jack Pearson Evie Dredge	Olivia Parry Freya Cartwright Lucas Summers Macey Macconnachie Jack Pattimore

These roles are vital to the school community and the necessary training on 'How to lead' took place with Mr David last week. These students are role-models for others in the school and I look forward to working with them during Academy Council meetings.

A good uniform policy helps grow our students' sense of **Belonging**, and it is great to see so many students smart and ready to learn. Can I please remind you that branded items, facial piercings, trainers, excess jewellery and short skirts are not permitted in school. Uniform is partly useful because it encourages students to see each other equally and enables pupils to focus on learning rather than on appearance or on the latest trends. It also helps us negate some of the negative impact of the media's (including social media) influence on young people.

Extra-curricular clubs and after school classes

We are delighted to be able to put on a huge number of after-school clubs, revision classes and intervention sessions and at the end of this letter you will find a full timetable with details of what we have on offer. Thanks go to all of our staff and students for putting in the time to make these events happen. Please encourage your son/daughter to join in. Perhaps they will say that nothing offered so far appeals to them and if this is the case, please encourage them to approach their tutor about ideas for setting up their own club. We will do our best to support any new ideas coming forward. A further copy of the extra-curricular details can be found on the website. This will be updated as and when more activities are being offered. Please click on the link below:

<https://www.budmouth-aspirations.org/parents-information/clubs-timetable/>

If you would like to know more about any of the clubs on offer, or wish to suggest a new one, please email the office and they will forward the email to the appropriate member of staff.

Upcoming dates and Events – Sixth Form Open Evening

There are a number of exciting and important events coming up soon at Budmouth Academy and these include the 6th Form Open Evening on the evening of 10th of November. During this time, we welcome all parents to come and look at what we have to offer our students during Post-16 education. Our results in 2022, both on the traditional A' Level courses and in the Applied vocational courses were excellent. In addition, all of our students receive a new Chromebook free of charge, to enable them to study independently and effectively. Last year 2 of our students went on to study at Oxford University, indicating that there is no limit to what students can achieve when they put their minds to it.

Halloween Party

On the 20th October the Halloween Party will represent an opportunity for students in Year 7 to have some social time as a group. The ticket price is £5.00 per child which can be purchased via the Pay360 app. Please ensure payment is made by Friday 14th October. All children attending the party need to be collected from the Academy by 8.00pm by a responsible adult. All the money raised from this event will go towards future events and additional rewards for our students. Should you have any queries regarding this event then please do not hesitate to contact Miss Collins on lcollins@budmouth-aspirations.org.

We Will Rock You - 6th- 8th December

Rehearsals have started and an initial performance of Radio Ga Ga at Open Evening last week indicated that this will be a great show. Despite the nerves of performing to an audience of over 1200 people over both nights, the students performed well, and learnt a lot about the demands of live performance. Tickets will be available soon for the three performances on the 6th, 7th and 8th of December.

Attendance

It is great to see so many students here with strong attendance. Last year the students with the best attendance achieved the best results at GCSE and this link has been proven nationally. Mrs Emms, our Vice-Principal in charge of attendance will be writing home soon to communicate just how important good attendance is for young people. Needless to say, we encourage students to get back to school quickly after less-serious illnesses and we do not authorise holidays during term time. While issuing fines is a last resort, the Local Authority, working in conjunction with all schools in Dorset, reserve the right to issue fixed penalty notices for those taking holidays during the academic year. The academy works closely with parents to encourage good attendance and should you have any concerns regarding attendance at school, please email Mrs Emms on semms@budmouth-aspirations.org or your child's Head of School. From Monday 31st October 2022 the school gates will be locked from **8:35am**. Please ensure that your child is punctual to school which starts at 8:30am. The school gates are locked for safeguarding purposes.

Mock Exams

The GCSE mock exams are a month away for our Year 11 students and they start on the **7th of November**. These are important exams because they help us identify where the gaps are in the children's understanding. This is why we ask all of Year 11 to revise and prepare for these important exams. They also give students confidence going into the final exams in the summer, especially if students have worked hard and have been successful. It is worth reminding students that if they revise for the mock examinations; for example, by producing a set of revision cards, then they will have less preparation to complete for the real exams next year. Students will also know more before they start their final revision sessions if they are well prepared now. Year 11 teachers are now hosting a wide range of after-school intervention classes where students and teachers work in small, targeted groups. They help our students achieve the best grades possible and are a vital part of school for every member of Year 11.

Finally, don't forget to join our Facebook page on <https://www.facebook.com/BudmouthAcademy/> if you would like to see more of what the pupils have been up to at Budmouth, and I wish you a very pleasant week ahead.

Yours sincerely,



Michael Hoffmann
Principal

Day	Department	Club or Activity	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12	Year 13	Time	Location
M,T,W,T,F	Resources Centre	Homework Club	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	2.50-4pm	Resources Centre
Monday week 1	Performing Arts	Keyboard Club			Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Lunch	E21
Monday (Nov to May)	Ten Tors Training				Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	3pm - 4pm	F02
Mondays	PE	Cross Country/Running Club All Years	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	2.50-3.50pm	Meet Sports Hall/ Field
Monday lunch	Textiles	Year 11 GCSE COURSEWORK					Y			Lunch	D10
Tuesdays	PE	Girls Football Yr 7 & 8	Y	Y						2.50-3.50pm	Outdoor change/ 3G
Tuesdays	PE	Boys Football Yr 8		Y						2.50-3.50pm	Outdoor change/ Field
Tuesdays	PE	Girls Get Active Yr 8		Y						2.50-3.50pm	Meet Sports Hall
Tuesdays	PE	Rugby Yr 9 & 10			Y	Y				2.50-3.50pm	Outdoor change/ Field
Tuesdays	PE	Netball Yr 9 & 10			Y	Y				2.50-3.50pm	Indoor change/Courts
Tuesdays	PE	Basketball Open Shooting Only KS3-4	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			2.50-3.50pm	Sports Hall
Tuesdays	DT Miniature Railway	DT Miniature Railway	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	3.00-5.00pm	Near 3G Pitch
Tuesdays	Technology	Girls who Code	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	3-4pm	D07
Tuesdays	Technology	Engineering Club	Y	Y	Y					3-4pm	D05
Tuesday Lunch	Pastoral	LGBTQ+ Club			Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Lunch	DoR
Tuesdays	Sociology	Sociology Film Club	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Lunch	C026
Tuesdays	Humanities (Soc)	Amnesty International UK	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	3-4pm	C026
Tuesdays	Resources Centre	Chess club	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Lunch	Resources Centre
Tuesday	Performing Arts	GCSE Dance Catch-Up Theory & Practical					Y			Lunch	E14
Tuesday	Performing Arts	GCSE Music Intervention				Y	Y	Y		Lunch	E21
Tuesday	Performing Arts	We Will Rock You Rehearsals (Until Dec 2022)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	3-4PM	E21/E14/E16
Tuesday	English	Blue Planet Society	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	3-4pm	F31
Tuesdays	MFL	Languages Around the World	Y	Y						Lunch	F10
Tuesday Week 1	English	Autograph club	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	2.50pm- 3.30pm	F32
Tuesday Week 2	English	Book club	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	2.50pm- 3.30pm	F32
Tuesday W1 (F34) + Thur W2 (F05)	English/History	Gaming Club	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Lunch	F34
Tuesday	Art		Y	Y	Y					3-4pm	E26/28
Tuesday	Textiles	Textiles catchup					Y			3-4	D10
Tuesday lunch	Textiles	Year 11 GCSE COURSEWORK					Y			Lunch	D10
Tue	Technology	Ks4 & Ks5 Engineering Intervention/Support				Y	Y	Y	Y	2.50 - 4.30	D11
Tue/wed/thur	Art and photography	Interventions and boosters				Y	Y	Y		3-4.30 pm	E26/28/29/30
Wednesdays	DoFE Bronze	(March to July) Silver (Sept to Oct) Gold (Jan to July)			Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	3pm - 4pm	F02
Wednesdays	PE	Hockey Yr 7, 8 & 9 (Boys and Girls)	Y	Y	Y					2.50-3.50pm	Indoor change/3G
Wednesdays	PE	Boys Football Yr 7	Y							2.50-3.50pm	Outdoor change/Field
Wednesdays	PE	Girls Rugby Y7-11	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			2.50-3.50pm	Outdoor change/Field
Wednesdays	PE	Girls Football Yr 9/10/11			Y	Y	Y			2.50-3.50pm	Outdoor change/Field
Wednesdays	PE	Boys Football Yr 9			Y					2.50-3.50pm	Outdoor change/Field
Wednesdays	PE	Boys Football Yr 10				Y				2.50-3.50pm	Outdoor change/Field
Wednesdays	PE	Badminton All years	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	2.50-3.50pm	Sports Hall
Wednesdays	PE	Girls Fitness All Years	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	2.50-3.50pm	Fitness Suite
Wednesday	PE	6th Form Girls Football						Y	Y	P5	Field/3G
Wednesdays	Technology	Y7&8 STEM club	Y	Y	Y					3-4pm	D07
Wednesday	Art and Design	KS4/5 Art Club				Y	Y	Y	Y	3-4pm	E31
Wednesday	Performing Arts	We Will Rock You Rehearsals (Until Dec 2022)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	3-4PM	E21/E14/E17
Wednesday	Performing Arts	KS3 Singing Group	Y	Y						Lunch	E21
Wednesday	Performing Arts	Singing Group	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	2.50-4	E21

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Wed	Technology	Scalextric Club	Y	Y	Y					2.50 - 4.30	D12
Thur	Technology	Ks4 Resistant Materials Intervention/Support				Y	Y			2.50 - 4.30	D12
Thursdays	CCF	CCF			Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	3pm-5pm	On parade square by D&T
Thursdays	Heath and Social Care	Year 13 coursework improvement support							Y	3-4pm	E20
Thursdays	Technology	KS4 Support- Creative iMedia				Y	Y			3-4pm	D07
Thursdays	PE	Rugby Yr 7 & 8	Y	Y						2.50-3.50pm	Outdoor change/Field
Thursdays	PE	Netball Yr 7 & 8 Yr11 & 6th Form	Y	Y			Y	Y	Y	2.50-3.50pm	Indoor change/Courts
Thursdays	PE	Football Yr11					Y			2.50-3.50pm	Outdoor change/Field
Thursdays	PE	Trampoline All Years	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	2.50-3.50pm	Sports Hall
Thursdays	PE	Table Tennis All Years	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	2.50-3.50pm	Right Hand Gym
Thursdays	PE	Boys Fitness All Years	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	2.50-3.50pm	Fitness Suite
Thursday lunch	Textiles	Year 11 GCSE COURSEWORK					Y			Lunch	D10
Thursdays	Technology	KS4 Support- Food & Nutrition				Y	Y			3-4pm	D07
Thursdays Week 1	Technology	KS4 Support- Engineering					Y			3-4pm	D05/D06
Thursdays Week 2	Technology	KS4 Support- Engineering					Y			3-4pm	D05/D06
Thursdays Week 1	Technology	KS4/5 Support - Computer Science	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	3-4pm	D05/D06
Thursdays	Resources Centre	Film Club	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	3-5pm	Resources Centre
Thursday	English	Film Society				Y	Y	Y	Y	3-4pm	F29
Thursday	Performing Arts	GCSE Dance intervention					Y			2.50 - 4pm	E20
Thursday	Performing Arts	We Will Rock You Rehearsals (Until Dec 2022)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	3-4PM	E21/E14/E18
Thursday	Performing Arts	Elevate Dance Company	Y	Y						Lunch	E14
Thursday	Performing Arts	Musical Theatre Club (From Jan 2023)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	2.50 - 4pm	E14
Thursday	Performing Arts	Keyboard Club	Y	Y						Lunch	E21
Thursday	English	Creative Writing	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	3-4pm	F33
Friday lunch	Textiles	Year 11 GCSE COURSEWORK					Y			Lunch	D10
Fridays	Technology	STEM club			Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	3-4pm	D07
Fridays	Technology / Science	Hellfire RPG Club	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	3-5pm	G01
Fridays	Andrew Simpson Sailing	Sailing	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	4.30 - 7PM	WPNSA
Fri	Technology	CAD Club	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	2.50 - 4.30	D12
Fridays	Dof E Support	Bronze - start Oct, Silver - Sept, Gold - Sept			Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	3pm - 4pm	F02
Fridays	MFL	German Exchange Pen Pal Club			Y	Y				Lunch	F26
		Table Tennis	y	y	y	y	y	y	y	3-3.45PM	RHG
28th of May - 1st of June 2023	MFL (Spanish)	Spain trip to Cantabria/Santander		y	y	y					
Beginning of Summer Term	History	Making History Club - Cooking Historical Recipes	Y	Y							
Spring Term	History	Archaeological 'Big Dig' on the school field	Y	Y							
KS4 lunch (TBC)	Geography and Languages	Botany and the Environment			Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Lunch	The Greenhouse