



# BIDDICK PARENT WEEKLY BULLETIN

Week starting 27<sup>th</sup> June 2022

## Year 7 Parents' Evening

- We will shortly be sending out the information you need to book appointments on SchoolCloud with your child's teachers for Year 7 Parents' Evening on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July from 4.00pm to 6.15pm.
- We look forward to seeing you there.

## Biddick to Broadway

- We are delighted to announce that this fantastic production by our Performing Art students will be held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July.
- See the second page of this bulletin for further details!

## Important date to remember

- As previously advised, our last day of term will be **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022**.
- This is because the bank holiday to celebrate the Queen's platinum jubilee was in May half-term, and schools had been directed by the government to allocate another day in lieu of the bank holiday.
- We have allocated this extra day as **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022**, therefore the last day of the summer term will be **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022**.

## Modern Foreign Languages (MFL)

- Nǐ hǎo! Konichiwa!
- All of Year 8 benefited from some Chinese or Japanese language taster sessions this week during their MFL lessons.
- Student ambassadors from Newcastle University delivered sessions via Zoom, where students learnt about Chinese or Japanese culture and practised some of the language!
- Students participated wonderfully and really enjoyed trying out their skills.

## Letter from Rt Hon Nadhim Zahawi MP - Secretary of State for Education

- We have been asked to share a letter with you from the Secretary of State
- Please see pages 3 and 4 of this bulletin to read the letter

## Transition Days

- We are very excited to bring our new Year 7 (current Year 6) cohort together next week to meet each other at Biddick Academy.
- During this three-day transition experience, students will attend a variety of curriculum lessons, engage with team building activities and learn about 'The Biddick Way'.
- Students will also meet their Form Tutor and have a tour of the Academy as well as ask any questions that they might have.

Biddick Academy Performing  
Arts Presents...

From **BIDDICK**  
To **BROADWAY**

You are invited to a **celebration** of  
**musical theatre** through the years featuring  
music from...

- . **The Greatest Showman** . Six the Musical .
- . Les Miserables . **Wicked** .

And **many more!**

£2

THURSDAY JULY 14th 6-8pm

Refreshments available

£2

All proceeds going to **Cancer**

**Research**



**Biddick**  
Academy



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**Rt Hon Nadhim Zahawi MP**  
Secretary of State

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### **T Levels: Information for Students and Parents**

I am writing to give you information about new T Level qualifications and why they might be right for you or, if you are a parent, for your child.

T Levels are high quality new qualifications that follow on from GCSEs and enable 16–19 year olds to move onto a job, a higher apprenticeship or further study at university.

From September 2022 the following T Level subjects will be available:

- Digital production, design and development
- Digital business services
- Digital support and services
- Education and childcare
- Design and development for engineering and manufacturing
- Engineering, manufacturing, processing and control
- Maintenance, installation and repair for engineering and manufacturing
- Building services engineering for construction
- Design, surveying and planning for construction
- Onsite construction
- Health
- Science
- Healthcare science
- Management and administration
- Finance
- Accounting

T Levels have been designed with over 250 leading employers, so students can be confident that they will get the skills and knowledge that employers really want - and will be able to progress in their chosen career. All T Level students will complete a 45-day industry placement so they will spend 20% of the course getting on-the-job experience with a real employer.

T Levels also attract UCAS tariff points in line with three A levels. 125 higher education providers have so far said that they will accept them, including 84 universities, of which 12 are members of the Russell Group.

We know that young people and parents want information on all of the options available and how they compare. Clear and helpful information about all post-16 choices including T Levels can be found at [gov.uk/get-the-jump](https://www.gov.uk/get-the-jump).

There is also more detailed information on T Levels available at [tlevels.gov.uk/students](https://www.tlevels.gov.uk/students), including a search function where you can use your postcode to search for T Levels available in your area.

I hope that you will find this information useful, and that you will use the resources linked above to explore all the options available to you or to your child.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N. Zahawi', written in a cursive style.

**Rt Hon Nadhim Zahawi MP**  
**Secretary of State for Education**