



# BIDDICK PARENT WEEKLY BULLETIN

## Week starting 11<sup>th</sup> September 2023

### A Message from our Headteacher Miss Morris

I hope you have all had a lovely summer and have been able to spend some relaxing time with your children.

I'm delighted to welcome back all our parents, carers, staff and pupils to what will be an exciting academic year. I would like to give a warm welcome in particular, to our Year 7 pupils and family. We are so happy you are here and we look forward to working with you.

### Dates for your diary

Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Parents Reading Workshop
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Year 7 Setting in Evening
Thursday 12 October 2023	Year 11 Readiness Evening
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Last day of half term
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2023	Year 8 Looking Ahead Evening
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Year 9 Options Evening
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Year 10 Readiness for Mocks

### New Staff

I am also delighted to welcome our newly appointed staff, all of whom are highly skilled and will be an excellent addition to Biddick Academy.

Mr P Gowland	Teacher of Maths
Miss A Davies	Teacher of Geography
Miss N Ramshaw	Teacher of Geography and History
Miss J Walsh	Teacher of Science
Mr J Westgate	Teacher of PE
Mrs M Stockman	History Faculty Leader
Mrs K Sewell	Teacher of Geography
Mr P Mills	Teacher of Maths
Mrs A Gray	Teacher of English
Mrs N Leigh	Teacher of Science
Mrs J Roberts	Teacher of History
Mrs C Simpson	Teacher of Computing and Business
Miss L Mooney	Attendance Manager
Mr C Coates	Cover Supervisor
Mrs C Flanagan	Student Support Assistant
Mrs J Trueman	Student Support Assistant
Mr K Bi Student	Support Assistant
Mr M Wilson	SEND Administrator

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions, feedback or concerns on 0191 5111600 or email [info@biddickacademy.com](mailto:info@biddickacademy.com)

Yours faithfully,

Miss K. Morris  
Headteacher

## Year 11 Key Dates

- Mock exams 1 - Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November – 17<sup>th</sup> November (2 weeks)
- Reports 1 - 4<sup>th</sup> December
- Parents' evening 1 (on site) - 14<sup>th</sup> December
- Mock exams 2 – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February (2 weeks)
- Reports 2 - 11<sup>th</sup> March
- Parents' evening 2 (online) - 21<sup>st</sup> March
- GCSE exams begin – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May
- Prom – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June
- Provisional data of last exam -Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June

## Year 11 Reward Scheme

- Please see below the reward scheme for Year 11 pupils.

### Prom Criteria



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#### Attendance

100% attendance – Free ticket  
90% attendance - Minimum requirement to attend

#### Rewards

Each full ASL stamp card – Entered into prize draw for a free ticket (and chocolate treat!)

#### Behaviour

Significant disruption to learning - *Students will be given 2 warnings and then not allowed to attend (3 strikes model)*

All of the above are at the discretion of the Headteacher, Assistant Headteacher and the Head of Year who will have the final

### Hoodie Criteria

Order in February Half term and wear from Easter (instead of blazer)

#### Attendance

95% attendance

#### Behaviour

Excellent behaviour record

### Class of 2024 Champion

Staff can vote via 'Class of 2024 Champion' ClassCharts button

Weekly prize draw – Chocolate / Sweet treats

Half termly prize draw - £50 gift voucher

20 votes = £2 off Prom ticket

## Year 10 Key Dates

- Assessment Week – Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January
- Reports 1 – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February
- Parents' evening 1 (on site) – Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February
- Reports 2 – Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May
- Parents' evening 2 (online) – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June
- Mock exams – Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April (2 weeks)