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THE BULWELL ACADEMY
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Dear Parent / Carer

Ring in the Changes for Year 11! Full Name (Reg)

I have very much enjoyed getting to know our staff, students and their parents since my arrival in September. I now have a clear understanding of how the Academy operates and the New Year is the right time to "ring in the changes".

I have attached a special Bulletin that has been written to explain about some of the changes that have taken place in recent weeks. I have also used it as an opportunity to explain how we approach student behaviour management to create a really positive climate for learning.

As parents ourselves, we also know how often our children try to persuade us that something isn't really a rule. I hope that the back page of our Bulletin gives you the clarity you need so you can discuss hoodies, trainers and fizzy drinks etc in the knowledge that you are being a supportive parent. We have not mentioned mobile phones but, equally, we do not expect to see them or hear them whilst on the Academy site – this is a basic expectation of all students for which we have no tolerance.

You may wish to view your child's behaviour record to review achievements and discuss any negatives. You can do this by accessing your parent ClassCharts account. Your unique personal code is given on the front page of the Bulletin.

This is such a critical time for our Year 11 students. Every day in learning is a step further to exam success. We expect that every student will attend every day, on time.

To help students to organise their revision for the final exams which will begin in only a few months from now, we are organising a special 'Revision Ready' evening. You will be able to meet teachers and, along with your child, discuss progress in lessons and develop plans for really productive revision activities. This event will take place on **Wednesday 27 February, commencing 4.30 pm** and run alongside our annual Jobs & Careers Fair where employers, apprenticeship providers and Further Education colleges will be on hand to advise you and your child to enable him/her to make informed choices for future study and employment.



Your child may remember the extreme snow and ice of last winter. If snow falls, we closely monitor weather reports and the Academy site. We focus on keeping the Academy open however bad the weather is. If I need to close the site for safety reasons, we will always advise you first and post regular updates on our website and Facebook page.

We thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs M Strong Principal