

# Newsletter October 2019

We are only 7 weeks into the term, but it seems as if much has happened in this short period of time. I am absolutely delighted that the school has finally been awarded a 'Good' grade for our overall effectiveness as a school. The inspectors were very thorough and we were thrilled that they recognised outstanding practice within our personal development programme. I would like to thank all parents, students, governors and staff for their support as it has been an exceptional team effort to achieve this grade. Our objective now is to continue our progress to ensure our students' continued success in an increasingly purposeful environment.

We need to look at the areas to improve from the inspection report. Our intention is to further develop our curriculum to encourage both academic progress and ambitions within our students. The GCSE results of 2019 were excellent and our progress and attainment continue to be above National Average. Ofsted acknowledged the high expectations we have for our students. Our provision within the curriculum and extra-curricular both supports and challenges students, encouraging them to achieve their very best.

Over the past two years our student role has increased to nearly 800 students. The safety of our students is of paramount importance. Could parents/carers please consider this when picking up and dropping off students. Please stick to the speed limits and ensure you **do not park on the double yellow lines**. There have been occasions where staff and visitors have been unable to leave the site due to being blocked in. It is a pleasure to see so many students cycling to school, please remind your child not to cycle through the school car park, but to head straight to New Road.

As a school we understand the benefits of social media, with this in mind we have a Social Media Policy on our website. If parents/carers have concerns about alleged incidents in school please email <a href="mailto:info@boldonschool.org.uk">info@boldonschool.org.uk</a> or contact the pastoral team **in the first instance.** We always strive to ensure young people are making the right decisions and comply with our school policies. It is preferable for the school to find out first hand of any issues, without inaccurate or misleading information being posted on social media.

We will be posting information on our school website with regard to events leading up to the winter break. As usual we will be focussing on attendance rewards; rewarding good and improved attendance,

rehearsals for our school show and a focus on Anti-Bullying week.

Mr I Noble Head Teacher

# Road Safety awareness to and from school

We have increasing concerns about the safety and conduct of our students travelling to and from the school site. Concerns have been raised by the public, parents and bus companies.

Please remind your child that New Road is always busy, therefore silly/immature behaviour could be fatal. At bus stops students should not be pushing and shoving each other, we have too many reports from drivers who are concerned about potential accidents with our students. Students must conduct themselves in exactly the same way on their way to and from school as they do on the school premises; being respectful of all adults and their peers.

More recently we have had numerous concerns about conduct on the scholars and the X34 bus. We have duty staff supervising the scholars boarding the bus every day to ensure a calm start to the journey home. The scholars can and will be removed if students are not respectful. Bus companies can also stop students from using the public service. Please remind your child that there is CCTV on the bus and consequences for any misbehaviour or damage.

Thank you to the vast majority of our students who always get this right. Thankfully the main stream of our students are safe and considerate of others; they are a credit to the school. We encourage our students to be take responsibility for each other and take care of each other on their school journey.

We must ensure we are all safe at all times.

Mrs L Pippin
Assistant Head Teacher for Behaviour and Safeguarding



**Road Safety** 

# **Art, Music and Technology**

### 'Aladdin' - Tuesday 11 and Wednesday 12 February 2020

It has been a busy year for the Art, Music and Technology Faculty beginning with our auditions for our next production 'Aladdin'. Students are busy rehearsing for what will be a spectacular, magical experience!



#### **Singing Lessons**

To support our budding singers Boldon School are making use of the County vocal teacher Kirsty Forster, these students are making excellent progress. Well done.



Dakota Winter, Ellise Cutts, Danielle McNally, Katie Harrison

#### **Food Lessons**

Many students have been preparing a variety of sumptuous dishes this term. Here are a few examples.....









# **Activities Week 2020**

# 15 June - 19 June 2020

All Year 7 to 9 students have received their Activities Week Brochure for 2020.

Details of each activity are outlined in the booklet, deadline for return of the booklet was Wednesday 23 October 2019.



# **Dates for your diary**

# January 2020

Monday 6 Inset Day

Tuesday 14 Year 11 Parents' Evening 4pm - 6pm

February 2020

Tuesday 11 School Production Aladdin

Wednesday 12 School Production Aladdin

**March 2020** 

Tuesday 10 Year 10 Parents' Evening 4pm - 6pm

Tuesday 31 Year 11 2nd Parents' Evening 4pm - 6pm

**April 2020** 

Tuesday 21 Year 8 Parents' Evening 4pm - 6pm

**June 2020** 

Tuesday 2 Year 6 Welcome Evening 6pm - 7pm

Tuesday 23 Year 9 Parents' Evening 4pm - 6pm

Mon 15 - Fri 19 Year 7 - Year 9 Activities Week

Mon 15 - Fri 19 Year 10 Work Experience

**July 2020** 

Tuesday 7 Year 7 Parents' Evening 4pm - 6pm

# **Macmillan Cancer Support**

Staff and students raised £269.37 for Macmillan Cancer Support on Friday 27 September. A massive thank you to all who took part by either bringing or buying goods to support this excellent cause. The morning was very successful.



# **Donation Station**

Following on from our success last year raising more than £5000 for Cancer Research UK we have decided to continue our support by taking part in TK Maxx's Give Up Clothes for Good Campaign which sees your preloved clothes turned into cash for the charity. We were made aware of the scheme by a former student and cancer survivor, Lily Slater, who was successfully treated for a brain tumour when she was only three-years-old. Lily has now made it her mission to help cure cancer for good. You can help us by donating your unwanted clothing, accessories and homeware at our 'Donation Station' located in the PE department. We are also collecting food and toiletries for our local food bank. Any donations will be gratefully received. Thank you





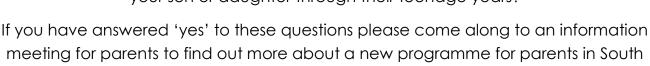
# **Teen Life**

Do you have a child with a diagnosis of Autism?

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Are they aged between 10 and 16 years?

Would you like to find out more about autism and supporting your son or daughter through their teenage years?



Topics covered include:												
Spending time with others  Self esteem  Presentation in women & girls	Understanding behaviour Stress and anxiety	Understanding intense interests  ests  Understanding your diagnosis	Independence skills Puberty	Education	Planning for the future							

Tyneside called Teen Life.

**What?** Parent Information Meeting

When? 11.00 – 12.00, Tuesday 19 November 2019 9.30-10.30pm, Tuesday 11 February 2020 9.30-10.30pm, Tuesday 2 June 2020

Where? At Primrose Children Centre, Lambton Terrace, Jarrow, Tyne and Wear, NE32 5QY

No need to book a place, just come along, have a coffee and find out more. Please contact Maria Wilson or Claire Camsey on 0191 424 6030 for further information.







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# **TERM TIME DATES 2019 – 2020**

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