

THE WEEK AT WOOL

FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2024

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Dear All

Thank you for your support over the past week.

The countdown to Christmas in any school is busy and we have been busier than busy making sure our Year 11 pupils have the chance to complete their PSA assessments in their option subjects, staff have been feeding back on mock exam results and we have had a very productive parent engagement evening (academy priority 4 - Achieve Excellent Outcomes).

Our Year 8's have been focusing on their final First Give presentations which will be judged on 16th December - this is part of their RSHE curriculum and focuses on charity and fundraising (this is part of our academy development plan - priority 6 Culture & Character).

We are looking forward to our Reading Graduation ceremony next week (11/12) - it is wonderful to see how many of our pupils are growing in confidence and making progress in their reading (academy priority 2 - Strengthening Reading).

Two important notices regarding attendance:

1. Our morning registration opens at 8.45am and closes at 9.15am. If your child arrives after this time they will receive a U code which affects their overall attendance. Please let us know if you need any support with this.
2. The time of our afternoon registration is now 2.15pm. It is essential that if booking any medical appointments for your child, that they take place after this time so that we can maximise their learning opportunities and time in school.

Please contact the academy directly if you have any questions or queries about this.

Finally, as we enter the last 2 weeks of term we really want to see as many pupils in school, on time and learning - we have some fabulous treats and activities planned and we want everyone to enjoy them! Thank you in advance of your continued support.

ATTEND TO ACHIEVE

Top attending Tutor groups for the week are...

7DWA 95.5%

8JBI 93.3%

9SKN 92.5%

10GCH 93.5%

11JPL 97.5%

Spot Prize Winners!

A family Christmas Tree, decorations and a hamper of goodies goes to...

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Countdown to Christmas!

Year 9 are the most improved attenders' week on week and will collect their treat during the wheel of wonder today.

Only 10 days to go on our Christmas countdown!

Be in school, on time, every day for a chance to win a shopping voucher in time for Christmas!

You have to be in it to win it! [#attendtoachieve](#)

HOMEWORK HIGHLIGHTS

SPARX MATHS

576,833 questions answered correctly so far this year!
Well done to our wonderful Mathletes!

Weekly Leaderboard Monday to Sunday		
1	Roshine (Roshine the Protégé)	4,722 XP
2	Callum (Callum the Saviour)	4,658 XP
3	Braydon A (Braydon the Builder)	2,441 XP

- 5363 Hours of learning so far this year!
- 8A1 have the highest completion rate
- Biggest improvement for completion this week: 7A1 maths
- Highest average XP per student is 10 Succeed!
- 325 students have already improved their timetables.

HOUSE POINT LEADERBOARD



1st place - Brontë - 25614
2nd Place - Austen - 25588
3rd place - Dickens - 24872
4th Place - Shakespeare – 24012




Well done to:
7ROR, 8RPH, 9AWA, 10ARO and 11JPL the top house point scorers in their year group!

RAISING ACHIEVEMENT


Well done to all of Year 11 that received their mock exam results last Thursday. We are proud of what you have achieved so far and we hope you enjoyed your Hot Chocolate and Cookies as a small reward for your hard work.

All BTEC students have been working hard to meet their PSA deadlines this week. Well done!

Session 6 next week will be Week 1 – Monday maths!



**Y11 Session 6
Timetable
Half Term 2 2024**



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	Maths	English Language	PE Extra-Curricular	Humanities	Free choice Friday
Week 2	Science	Modern and Ancient Foreign Languages	English Literature	Vocational and Music GCSE	Free choice Friday

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Our attendance advent countdown to Christmas Continues. Attend every day, on time, for a chance to win a shopping voucher for the family!
- **Tuesday 17th December** – Year 7 Pantomime Visit
- **Friday 20th December** – end of term. Academy closes at 3pm.

We are finalising our dates for 2025 – we will keep you updated once these are in place.

WE CARE – USEFUL INFORMATION

1. Only talk to people you know on line
2. Only organise to meet people in safe places
3. Walk each other home – don't stay out too late!
4. If you see anything that concerns you – don't forget to run, hide, tell!

If you have a concern during the holidays please contact:

Police – 999 (emergency) 101 (non-emergency)

NSPCC – 0808 800 5000 (Text 88858)

Sandwell Children's Services team – 0121 569 3100

For support, please contact:

ChildLine – 0800 1111

Samaritans – 116 123