

# BODMIN COLLEGE

# PARENT BULLETIN

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*Striving for excellence by putting the learner first*

## Message from the Principal

Following the receipt of validated data from the DfE, we are very pleased to report that our Progress 8 score increased a little more as did the percentages of student's achieving Grade 4 and Grade 5 in English and mathematics. This is supported by validated data revealing that our Post 16 results were confirmed as being the best achieved by students at Bodmin College over the last four years.

With the new block (Beacon) nearing completion we are looking forward to phasing subject areas and students into the new facilities and completing, where required, those moves over the summer holidays.

The new system for booking appointments at parents' evenings has been well received by parents and, with the exception of some 'teething' concerns, worked well operationally.

As Year 11 and 13 move towards their summer examinations, so Year 6 start their preparations for transition. Initial numbers applying are the highest on record so please ensure, if you have children of this age, that applications are complete and returned in good time. Individual tours with members of our Senior Leadership Team are available on request from main reception. In addition to this, I should note that our Sixth Form interviews have been completed and the second round of

Open Tours are approaching (29th January - 2nd February). Should you wish a personalised tour and conversation with our Sixth Form team, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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## Cashless Catering System

There have been occasions recently where students have collected their lunch from the canteen and not been able to pay as there has been no money in their account.

Please be aware that the cashless catering system requires student accounts to be credited by parents / carers using the parent pay system online. Alternatively, students can use the machines in the canteens to deposit cash which is then credited to their account.

It is important that there are sufficient funds in the student accounts to enable them to purchase items from the school canteen.

## Year 11 English Revision Sessions

Year 11 English revision sessions continue after school on Mondays and Tuesdays from 3.45-4.45pm. Mondays will focus on revising English Literature poetry, whereas Tuesdays are for general English revision. All Year 11 students welcome.

## Y11 Career Pathways Facebook Group

We have set up a closed Facebook group for all Year 11 students and their parents with a range of opportunities linked with career pathways.

Search "Emerging William Cliff" and request to join.

This is similar to the one that we have in the Sixth Form but that one has many more opportunities on offer.



Jayne Smith  
Aspirations Coordinator

## College Magazine

Don't forget, that our magazine is produced at the end of each term showing some of the great things that have been going on at the College. You can view the magazine on our website under the 'Parent/Student' tab and scroll down.



## Christmas Jumper Day

Bodmin College Interact Club would like to thank you for supporting the Christmas Jumper Day, which raised £290.23 for Treliske Critical Care Unit and the Year 7 Film Screening, which raised £64.51 for Cornwall Hospice.

Thank you  
Miss Fassenfelt (Interact advisory teacher)

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## Dates to Remember

1 Feb	Year 8 Options evening
8 Feb	LAST DAY OF TERM (Thurs)
9 Feb	Staff Training Day
12-16 Feb	HALF TERM
19 Feb	First day of new half term
22 Feb	Paris Trip Parents' meeting

**Safeguarding:** Bodmin College has a duty of care over each one of its pupils and will deal with issues sensitively and in accordance with statutory requirements. Designated Safeguarding Leads: Ms L Carter and Mrs S Gilbert

**Young Carers:** We would appreciate knowing if any of our students are actively engaged as 'carers' in order that any support available may be accessed.

**Free School Meals:** Are you eligible? Follow this link, or contact Mr Greagsby at the College, for more information: <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/default.aspx?page=20132>