

# BODMIN COLLEGE

## PARENT BULLETIN

September 2018

*Striving for excellence by putting the learner first*

### Message from the Principal

Dear Parents

On Monday of this week I informed staff of my intention to step down from my current role. From January 2019, I will continue in a more executive role supporting a new Principal in making a successful transition into the position.

I thank you all for your support over the years and whilst my connection with the College will remain strong in a three day a week role, it will be different.

Brett Elliott  
Principal

### Student Assessment Reports

This year the college will be sending all student assessment reports home via email.

Please ensure that your email address is up to date to ensure prompt receipt of your child's reports.

### Parent Pay / Online Shop

We are pleased to launch our school shop where revision guides and other subject specific items can now be purchased online.

To ensure we identify students quickly, it is vital their full name and tutor group is

entered when purchasing items. Please follow the link below to access the shop:

<https://www.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Uniform/Default.aspx?shopid=777>

The individual Parent Pay log in is not required to purchase items from this shop but will be required to pay for trips. If you have not yet activated your account please email [finance@bodmincollege.co.uk](mailto:finance@bodmincollege.co.uk) for a copy of the letter or for any other Parent Pay queries.

### News from the English department

GCSE English Language and Literature revision sessions are running after school on Mondays and Tuesdays (3.45-4.45) and are open to all students from Year 10 to 13, who are taking GCSEs this year.

A range of GCSE Language and Literature revision guides are also now available to purchase through the school online shop using Parent Pay.

Finally, all parents and students are invited to follow the @bodminenglish Twitter account for updates, news and events in the English department.

### Advice/Guidance sessions with a Targeted Youth Support Worker

Family life can be difficult at any time. Targeted Youth Support workers from

Cornwall Council will be in College to offer practical, emotional and friendly help to parents/carers.

All support is confidential and non-judgemental. No decisions will be made without prior discussion with the young person and the school.

The Support Workers will listen carefully to your needs and adapt a support package suitable to meet these.

Targeted Youth Support Worker sessions are by appointment only, with a youth worker offering support and guidance to young people aged 13 – 18yrs around the following:-

- Advocacy
- Relationships
- Identity
- Sexual Health
- Emotional Resilience
- Signposting to other services

Sessions will be held on Wednesdays from 1.00pm-3.00pm on the following dates:

- 19 September
- 3, 17, 31st October
- 14, 28 November
- 12 December

To Book an appointment, Please contact the College's Pastoral Team.

### Clubs and Activities

Click on the link below to see the clubs and activities that are available for students this term:

<https://www.bodmincollege.co.uk/parentstudentarea/>

**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>

### Dates to Remember

4 October	Prospective Year 7 Open Evening
18 October	Prospective Sixth Form Open Evening
22-26 October	HALF TERM
1 November	Year 7 Settling-in Evening

### Breakfast Club

A breakfast club for students is available in the Robartes Canteen from 8.00am to 8.30am.

Items available include bacon/sausages, hash browns, toast, cereal, fruit pots and 'build your own yoghurt breakfast' with granola toppings, oats and fresh fruit.

Items are individually priced and students should use their parent pay accounts.

### Lunchtime Menus

Please see attached new menus from our caterers, Aspens.



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