

21st July 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

It has been another fantastic year for Fareham Academy, with students and staff achieving so much. Sadly, we have had to face disruption once again with the school swapping Covid closures for Teacher Strikes. However, I am pleased to say we have done our best to overcome these challenges once again and we are pleased to see so many of the events that make life at Fareham Academy unique go from strength to strength.

School events

This year we have been pleased to see a return of more cultural enrichment through trips and afterschool activities. Students have had the opportunity to attend trips to Paris, Belgium, Berlin and Skiing in Austria. In addition, groups have participated in trips to the theatres, local colleges, universities, zoos and theme parks to name just a few.

In addition to trips, we have been proud that so many of our students have involved themselves in extracurricular clubs and activities. This year more students have completed the Bronze award in the Duke of Edinburgh scheme as well as our first students completing their Silver award. Elsewhere our students work has been recognised in achieving the Silver level requirements for the school to be recognised as a UNICEF Rights Respecting School – Silver Award.

This year saw our second BSL Factor, a concert performed fully in British Sign Language. The concert was in celebration of Deaf Awareness Week and included incredible performances performed in BSL, an insight into Deaf history and members of the Deaf community joining us.

With the departure of one Year group comes the excitement of welcoming the next. This month we invited our new Year 6 students to the Academy for their transition week. The students experienced a full timetable including enrichment activities such as karate and table tennis and left feeling far more prepared for their start in September. Even in our last week we have managed to maximise the time we have left with students participating in Sports day, all students representing the new House system, cheering on their given house and celebrating their successes.

Personal Development

This year our Personal Development learning offer has continued to go from strength to strength with our RAK days focused around our three core values “Resilience, Aspiration and Kindness”. This year we have seen outside speakers work with the students on areas as diverse as careers, personal care and safety, relationship education, mental health and entrepreneurial skills.

Next year this area of the Academy will be showcased to all local schools, as we lead the first of Hampshire’s Personal Development Conferences for School Leaders.

Staffing update

I am especially proud of the team work demonstrated by our fantastic group of staff to support each other throughout the challenges of the year. This year we saw the school achieve the best GCSE result in the Academy’s history shooting up the Hampshire league tables.

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Sadly, at this time of year staffing changes are always inevitable and especially due to our commitment to staff development and providing opportunities to progress their career. At the end of this year we say goodbye to Miss Butler who is moving to a promoted post, Mr Stubs and Miss Smith who are taking up positions in other schools and Miss Wiltshire who is returning to study at University. We would also like to say a sad goodbye to Mr Patel who after many years of service to the Academy is taking his next step in leadership.

We wish all leavers the very best on the next step of their journey and thank them for all they have done to support the students of Fareham Academy during their time with us.

I would like to thank everyone, staff, students, trustees, parents and the wider community for the support and goodwill that has been given over the year. I hope that you and your family have a very wonderful summer break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Tuesday 5th September 2023.

Yours faithfully

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