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#### **Dear Parent**

### Autumn Term - Principal's Roundup - 1

This week all year groups returned to full time learning. We have noticed how incredibly smart, well equipped, and ready to learn our young people have been. As a parent I know this comes with support and organisation from home, therefore, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for this.

Our new Year 7's are settling in well, and it has been fantastic to see students in other year groups offering assistance and guidance around the academy.

Please see this week's highlights from attendance and rewards below:

A special well done to our best attending form groups so far:

First place – 9RMA (100%) Second place – 10LAM (100%) Third place – 11 SMA (99%)

And to the form groups with the highest rewards this week:

First place – 9RHA Second place – 10ALU Third place – 11BAT

# Reminders for next week and beyond:

- Thursday 11 September Senior Year Raising Achievement Evening and Careers Evening.
   To book your place please click <u>here</u>
- Thursday 18 September Open Evening 2025
- Thursday 23 October Tutor Evening (all years)
- Friday 24 October Tutor Day (all years).

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## **CET Community Support**

Our Community Hub Leader, Joleen Azevedo, will be available on the following dates and times below:

Date	Time	Venue
Wednesday 24 September	9.00am-11.00am	Caister Academy
Wednesday 1 October	11.30am-1.30pm	Great Yarmouth Library, @ The Place
Wednesday 22 October	9.00am-11.00am	Caister Academy
Wednesday 5 November	11.30am-1.30pm	Great Yarmouth Library, @ The Place
Wednesday 26 November	9.00am-11.00am	Caister Academy
Wednesday 3 December	11.30am-1.30pm	Great Yarmouth Library, @ The Place
Wednesday 17 December	9.00am-11.00am	Caister Academy

Joleen is currently working on a number of development opportunities, including:

- Community events
- Skills sharing sessions
- · Life skills, such as cooking and money management
- Volunteering
- School uniform campaign.

For further information, please do not hesitate to contact Joleen via email Joleen. Azevedo@woodlandsprimaryacademy.org.uk.

## **Student Leadership Team**

We are excited to announce that students have been invited to join our student leadership team this week. Invites have been sent to students via email, along with a forms link to apply. If your child/children would like to be part of this amazing team, please encourage them to complete the online application form by 3.10pm on Wednesday 10 September. Students will then be invited to interview on either the Friday 12 September (Prefects) or the Monday 15 September (School Council).

## **Senior Year Electives**

Senior Year Electives will commence on Monday 15 September. All students must report to the dining hall after period 5 to register with Mr Osben.

#### **Electives**

Electives for Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 will be starting on Monday 22 September. Registration forms will be emailed home next week for completion.



#### Attendance

It has been a pleasure to welcome students back into the academy this week ready to embark on another school year. I'd like to remind you of the importance of attendance and how when a student is absent, several lessons are missed. Students must attend daily to ensure that they are on top of their studies and do not miss out on vital powerful knowledge. This half term, the year group with the highest attendance will receive additional Caister Coins in their pot. The competition has commenced!

The attendance team can be contacted via telephone, 01493 720542, or email attendance@caisteracademy.org.uk.

### Friday 24 October - Tutor Day

Following the success of tutor day last year, we are delighted to announce that this will take place on the last day of term. The purpose of tutor day is to:

- Enable you as parents, the tutor and your child/children to discuss wellbeing, and their first report
- Offer the opportunity for Senior Year students to seek support with career applications
- Offer support and advice to parents on Academy systems, such as Arbor
- Enable you as parents and your child/children to ask questions, seek re-assurance and raise any concerns.

To enable tutors and key staff to hold these extended 20-minute sessions, students will learn remotely from home and come into the academy with parents for their appointment. For parents that cannot attend a day appointment, evening appointments will be available on Thursday 23 October. Tutor day is in addition to parents evening. We will write to you with more information later in the term on how to book.

### **Barley**

Barley has had a lovely summer and is now much bigger. He was so excited (possibly too excited!) to see students arrive on Wednesday and Thursday and even took part in assemblies and form group photos.

For the next stage of his training, we will recruit some 'student handlers' who will be trained to walk Barley and support with his care. I have asked students who would like to be involved to let me know. I'd like to thank the school community including parents for supporting him to feel safe and loved.

Thank you for your continued support, I look forward to writing to you again next week.

Yours faithfully

Helen Seath Principal