

The Boswells School

Weekly Bulletin



Friday 16th September 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

It has been a very positive and purposeful start to the academic year. The learning atmosphere around the school has been fantastic and it is extremely pleasing to see how well the students have come back following the holidays and how quickly they have got back into good routines. It bodes well for another excellent year.

It has been fantastic to be able to invite parents onto our site this week for our first two information evenings.

On Monday, we held our Year 12 Parents' Information Evening led by Mrs Whitehead (Head of Sixth Form) and I, and on Thursday, we held our Year 11 Parents' Information evening. The focus of the evening was unsurprisingly on GCSE examinations, presented by Mr Jones (Deputy Headteacher – Teaching, Learning and Progress) and Mrs Burton (Head of Year 11). It was wonderful to see so many of you in attendance for these events. We hope it was a valuable insight into the current context and supplied you with the information you need to best support your child. If you were unable to attend the evening, you will be able to find the presentations on our school website by clicking [here](#).

We have a number of other Information Evenings taking place over the next few weeks:

Year 7 – Thursday 20th October

Year 8 – Monday 10th October

Year 9 – Thursday 29th September

Year 10 - Thursday 22nd September

Year 13 – Wednesday 28th September

Parents will receive a letter inviting them to the evening, which will include the start time and any other key arrangements. Please take the opportunity to come to these as they will be beneficial in supporting your child this academic year.


One of the fantastic resources that the school has is the library. Students are able to go there at the start of the day, at break, at lunch and after school. The library opens at 8am and closes at 4.30pm, so if you wish to drop your child off early or pick them up late, they can go somewhere that they will be supervised. As well as a huge number of books, there are computers too, so the students can do their homework if they wish.

This is also the time of the year where we invite prospective students and their parents to the school for our Open Week tours and Open Evening.

Our Open Week tours run from Monday 26th September to Friday 30th September. These are for parents with Year 6 children. We are asking parents to book a place on these tours in advance and information can be found by clicking [here](#).

Finally, a reminder that school will be closed on Monday 19th September due to the National Bank Holiday for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II State Funeral. School will re-open as usual on Tuesday 20th September 2022.

Have a great weekend.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Mansell', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Stephen Mansell
Headteacher

Information and Notices

Upcoming Events

- 🚫 Monday 19th September – Bank Holiday - Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II State Funeral.
- 🚫 Thursday 22nd September - 6.30pm - Year 10 Parents Information Evening
- 🚫 Saturday 24th September – 7pm - FOBs Bingo Night
- 🚫 Thursday 28th September - 6.30pm - Year 13 Parents Information Evening
- 🚫 Thursday 29th September - 6.30pm - Year 9 Parents Information Evening
- 🚫 Saturday 1st October – 10.00am - Year 11 Parents Study Skills Workshop
- 🚫 Wednesday 5th October - 5.30pm - 8pm – Open evening for Year 6 students
- 🚫 Monday 10th October – 6.30pm -Year 8 Parents Information Evening
- 🚫 Tuesday 11th October – 6-8pm - Careers Evening
- 🚫 Wednesday 12th October – 6pm – Parent Forum
- 🚫 Thursday 13th October – 4-7pm – Year 7 Tutor Evening
- 🚫 Thursday 20th October- 6.30pm - Year 7 Parents Information Evening
- 🚫 Friday 21st October – INSET Day

Road Safety



Please can we urge you to remind your child about the importance of road safety. On the busy roads in the local community, it is essential that on all occasions children remain vigilant to the hazards around them which include cars, bicycles and scooters. We strongly recommend that students cycling wear a helmet and for all students headphones are NOT worn when commuting to and from school. Please can we also ask if your child cycles they DO NOT give other students a lift by allowing them to sit on their handlebars or the back of their bike.

All Saints Church

All Saints' Church is open every day with a condolence book and a place to lay flowers outside. On Sunday a special children friendly service is taking place in the Church Centre Hall at 10.30am (the day before HRH Queen Elizabeth's funeral). At the same time a more traditional service will take place in the church. Both will appropriately commemorate the occasion and give thanks to God for her life and her example of Christian discipleship.



Chelmsford Food Bank

If anyone requires support with accessing foodbanks, we have been advised to inform parents/carers to contact them directly on 01245 205579.

Congratulations!



Congratulations to **Alize B (Yr 11), Sienna W (Yr 11) and Harriet C (Yr 12)** and a further 6 of our ex-students, who were given the opportunity to Dance **LIVE** on **Blue Peter**.

On Friday 2nd September they travelled up to Manchester where they rehearsed and worked alongside people from various areas of the TV industry and danced with The Architects Dance Company, as part of the opening of the show.

We think you'll agree this was an amazing opportunity for them all. To watch their fantastic performance on **BBC iPlayer** please click [here](#)



Keeping up to speed

As well as our website, you can keep up to speed with everything that is happening at the school by following us on Twitter (@BoswellsSchool) or on our Facebook page (The Boswells School Official). You can also sign up to receive our press and media releases direct to your email address. This service is free of charge and can be accessed by emailing boswellsnews@gmail.com and asking to be added to the distribution list.



Data Collection - SIMS

If you need to check or change any of your child's information please use the Data Collection option in the SIMS Parent App. More details are available in the Data Collection help guide on our website https://www.boswells-school.com/ugc-1/1/68/0/sims_parent_-_data_collection.pdf. If you have any problems with the app, please e-mail simsparent@boswells-school.com

Useful Guides

SatchelOne have excellent help guides for all aspects of the system including troubleshooting <https://help.satchelone.com/en/>

We have guides on our website, including SIMS Parent, Office 365, ParentPay, Access E-Mails, and SatchelOne <https://www.boswells-school.com/students-staff/user-guides.htm>

Contacting Us

Main Reception is open from 8.00am to 4.00pm. Staff contact details can be found on our website – [Our Staff](#)

If you wish to contact us, you can call on 01245 264451 between the hours above, but in most cases the best way to contact us is via the school email account (admin@boswells-school.com). You should expect to receive a response within 2 school days, but if your queries are urgent, we will endeavour to deal with them as soon as practicable.

NOTE: Please ensure the email address 8815416@sims-communications.co.uk is added to your “safe-senders” list to be sure that you receive our updates, but ***please do not use*** this address to contact us – it is for our outgoing e-mails ***only***.

Please remind your child that there are multiple forms of support accessible to them at school. If they have a concern with a subject, they should communicate with the subject teacher directly or additional help can be sought from the subject Head of Department. Their tutor who they see daily is the best person to inform about any concerns or ask any questions which are not related to a subject. They may also wish to access support in their relevant student services – year 7 and 8 is located in the C block corridor near the front office and Year 9,10 and 11 is based in B Block by the staffroom. Here students will find their Head of Year and members of the Pastoral team. They may also wish to report any safeguarding and wellbeing concerns through the email address letusknow@boswells-school.com. Miss Noble (Deputy Headteacher) is the safeguarding lead and students are welcome to see her to access support. Her office is in B block on route to the Drama and Music departments. There are lots of support and information websites and helplines accessible on the Safeguarding page of the website following the link below:

<https://www.boswells-school.com/safeguarding.htm>

As a school we aim to respond to communication from parents within 48 hours. To ensure you get the best support please ensure you direct your communication to the most relevant member of staff. Subject queries should in the first instance go to the subject teacher and then the Head of Department of Faculty. Pastoral concerns should go via tutors and then the Head of year. A list of staff details can be found on the link below:

<https://www.boswells-school.com/about-us/our-staff.htm>

The Boswells School Current Vacancies



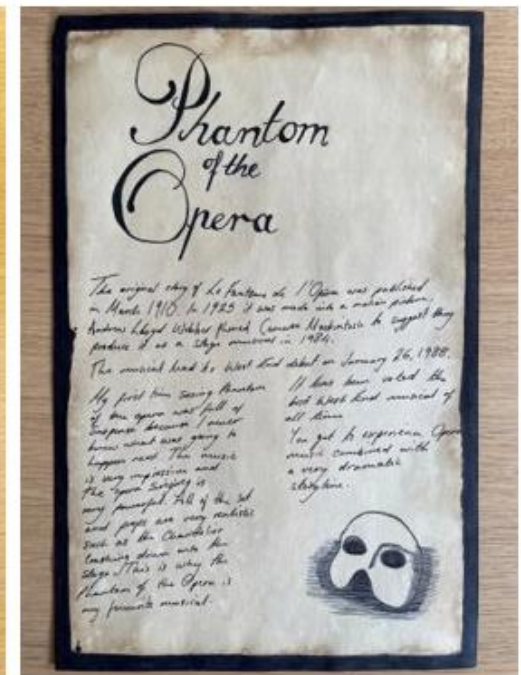
Please click [here](#) to view current Staff Vacancies









For CLP Vacancies please click [here](#)

Celebrating Success

BTEC Musical Theatre Year 10 homework this week was to create a piece of work about their favorite musical – and see how creative they were!



House Tables

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|  | 20 Points |
|  | 10 Points |
|  | 30 Points |
|  | 50 Points |
|  | 40 Points |
|  | 60 Points |

Congrats!



Overall

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|  | 20 Points |
|  | 10 Points |
|  | 30 Points |
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Last Week



FRIENDS OF BOSWELLS

BINGO NIGHT!

SATURDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER @ 7.00
RAFFLE, PRIZES AND CASH TO BE WON

THE BOSWELLS SCHOOL

£5 PER PERSON

To book a table or for more info please contact Claire
Rooney 07900 340150 or Miranda Drew 07540
915506 or fobsboswells@gmail.com

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

BRING FAMILY, FRIENDS, DRINKS & SNACKS
KEEP CALM & BINGO

