

14 September 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Principal's newsletter – 14th September 2022

I would like to begin my first newsletter of the academic year by extending a warm welcome to all parents and carers of new students at the Academy. We are delighted your child has joined us for their Key Stage 4 or Post-16 education. As I mentioned to students during my start-of-year assemblies, your child will have the very best of experiences at BOA and I look forward to getting to know him/her/them in due course.

I am also delighted to see all returning students who have moved through to Year 11 and Year 13, as well as those moving from last year's Year 11 into Year 12. This is an incredibly important year, particularly for students in Years 11 and 13, and I wish all learners the very best as they prepare for their Key Stage 4 and Post-16 examinations. As always, members of staff at BOA are here to support and guide and ensure success for all students.

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

It was with great sadness that we learned of the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, who died peacefully at Balmoral Castle on Thursday 8th September. Over her 70-year reign, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II was the epitome of duty and devotion: to her country, to her subjects, to her loved ones. Her Majesty was also a great patron of the Arts and a life-long champion of children, through numerous charities and trusts.

May you rest in peace, your Majesty, and long live King Charles III.

Closure on Monday 19th September

I am writing to notify you that BOA will be closed on Monday 19th September 2022 to coincide with arrangements for the funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. As this date has been announced as an official bank holiday, we will not arrange any online learning or virtual classrooms. BOA will open as usual on Tuesday 20th September, when our normal timetable arrangements will resume.

I will write again next week. Until then, I hope you all remain safe and well.

Kind regards



Alistair Chattaway

Principal

On behalf of BOA Creative, Digital & Performing Arts Academy