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Dear Parent/ Carer,

I hope this newsletter finds you well after what has been a busy half term. I would like to take this opportunity to update you on some aspects of academy life.

### **Covid19 Update**

We are incredibly thankful that students are once again moving around school and having access to different specialist teaching rooms each lesson. This has been a welcomed change and it is fantastic to see the school busy and bustling again after what has been a difficult two years.

In order to keep cases in school to a minimum within school we still require all students to complete two lateral flow tests each week and report these via the Covid19 tracker. Thank you for your ongoing support with this.

It has been reported in the news this week, that Covid19 vaccines for secondary school children will come into schools after October half term. More information will be sent out to parents / carers of this once the Academy has received it from the government.

### **Staffing**

The Academy is growing and we have welcomed nearly 200 Year 7s in September 2021. As a result, we have recruited a number of new members of staff to the Brayton Academy Team. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome those.

Miss Cruddace – English & SENCO

Miss Claringbold – Head of French

Mrs Bainbridge – Inclusion Support Worker - SEND

Mr White – History

Mr Potter – Design Technology

Miss Gowthorpe – Art - Maternity Cover for Mrs Jepson

Mrs Thompson – Science

Mr Nodder – Physical Education

Ms Holtby – Positive Discipline Administrator

Mr Wainwright – Cover Supervisor

We have welcomed Mr Parish to the Senior Leadership Team as an Assistant Head Teacher and Ms Kinsley has taken on the role as Head of Science. Miss Addison has also changed position and is now the Principal's personal assistant and we will welcome Mr Oakes-Hepplestone in October as a Pastoral Support Worker.

The pastoral staffing structure at Brayton has also developed and grown. Please see below for the members of staff with responsibility for the different year groups.

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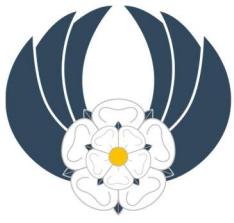
| Key Stage 3  |                               |                             | Key Stage 4  |
|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Mrs Pirie – Director of Key Stage 3  |                               |                             | Mrs Graham (formally Davis) – Assistant Head Teacher |
| Mrs Jordan<br>Head of Year 7   | Mr Beaumont<br>Head of Year 8 | Miss Eden<br>Head of Year 9 | Responsibility for Year 10 and Year 11               |
| Mrs Wright – Attendance Welfare Officer<br>Mr Oakes-Hepplestone – Pastoral Support Worker<br>Ms Holtby – Positive Discipline Administrator |                               |                             |  |

### **Extra-Curricular Activities**

With Academy life returning to ‘pre-covid’ times, we are also now able to offer extra-curricular clubs and activities again. Please see below the clubs that are currently being offered and the times that they take place.

| Day       | Activity   |
|-----------|--|
| Monday    | Y7 Netball Club – 2.30pm -3.30pm<br>Y9 Netball Club – 2.30pm -3.30pm<br>Y7 Rugby Club – 2.30pm -3.30pm<br>Y9 Rugby Club – 2.30pm -3.30pm   |
| Tuesday   | KS3 Homework Club – 2.30pm -3.30pm<br>KS4 Prep Room – 2.30pm -4.30pm   |
| Wednesday | KS3 Basketball Club – 2.30pm -3.30pm<br>Y8 Rugby Club – 2.30pm -3.30pm<br>Y8 Netball Club – 2.30pm -3.30pm<br>Y10 Netball Club – 2.30pm -3.30pm<br>KS3 Drama Club - 2.30pm -3.30pm<br>Gardening Club – 2.30pm – 3.30pm |
| Thursday  | KS3 & KS4 Girls Rugby – 2.30pm -3.30pm<br>KS3 & KS4 Football Club – 2.30pm -3.30pm<br>KS4 Fitness Suite – 2.30pm -3.30pm   |

\*Science extra-curricular also runs half termly with fun and interactive experiments in the last week of each half term.



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### **Brayton Sports**

Brayton academy students are also being given the opportunity to take part in a sports leaders qualification. The Netball and Rugby Academy are also carrying out a sports leader award alongside the academy this is an amazing opportunity for the students. The Brayton Academy sports leader award is a bespoke award that will provide the students of Year 8 and 9 with the opportunity to grow further as a leader in a sporting background and in all round life. The programme itself is a fun, engaging and active programme that will allow the students to experience the different roles that are involved in sport both on and off the field. The rugby and netball academy have made a great start to the sports Leader programme with so many of them showcasing fantastic leadership skills and have begun delivering sessions to each other. We hope that this can be offered to other young sportspeople in the upcoming months who are not part of the rugby and netball academy.

### **Applied Resilience**

The new academic year also welcomes back Applied Resilience for Years 8 and 9. Due to the school growing, the course is now split across two afternoons, with Year 9 taking part in Applied Resilience for three hours on a Wednesday afternoon and Year 8 on a Friday.

We are delighted that our Key Stage Three students are able to access a variety of activities during these periods such as Horse Riding, Rugby and Netball Academy, Drama, Duke of Edinburgh and Podcasting. Many of the students have already been out on trips to support these courses and we hope to bring you more news of the exciting tasks and tips that have been completed in the next newsletter.

### **Key Stage 4 Academic Intervention**

Summer 2022 will see the return of GCSE examinations. To ensure the students are prepared and given the best possible opportunity to excel, whatever their academic ability, period 7 and period 8 academic intervention has returned. This provides the students with the opportunity to have small group intervention with a subject

specialist to improve their knowledge and help them to progress. Students will be notified by their subject teacher in advance if there are required to attend the P7 or P8 intervention.

Please see the timetables below for the next half terms intervention in the lead up to mock examinations. Please be aware that students who receive school transport can book a place on the school minibus to get home.

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## Year 11

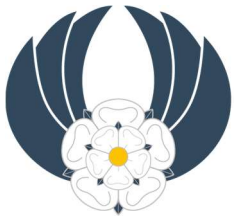
| Intervention Timetable Oct - Dec |            |    |                   |         |              |              |              |                        |  |
|----------------------------------|------------|----|-------------------|---------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------------------|--|
| Half Term                        | W/B        |    | Monday            | Tuesday | Wednesday    | Thursday     | Friday       | Additional Information |  |
| HT2                              | 01.11.2021 | P7 | French / T&T      | x       | Options      | Maths        | English      |                        |  |
|                                  |            | P8 | x                 | x       | Science      | Geog / Hist  | x            |                        |  |
|                                  | 08.11.2021 | P7 | Options           | x       | Maths        | English      | Science      |                        |  |
|                                  |            | P8 | x                 | x       | Geog / Hist  | French / T&T | x            |                        |  |
|                                  | 15.11.2021 | P7 | Maths             | x       | English      | Science      | Geog / Hist  |                        |  |
|                                  |            | P8 | x                 | x       | French / T&T | Options      | x            |                        |  |
|                                  | 22.11.2021 | P7 | English           | x       | Science      | Geog / Hist  | French / T&T |                        |  |
|                                  |            | P8 | x                 | x       | Options      | Maths        | x            |                        |  |
|                                  | 29.11.2021 | P7 | Science           | x       | Geog / Hist  | French / T&T | Options      |                        |  |
|                                  |            | P8 | x                 | x       | Maths        | English      | x            |                        |  |
|                                  | 06.12.2021 | P7 | Geog / Hist       | x       | French / T&T | Options      | Maths        |                        |  |
|                                  |            | P8 | x                 | x       | English      | Science      | x            |                        |  |
|                                  | 13.12.2021 | P7 | Mock Examinations |         |              |              |              |                        |  |
|                                  |            | P8 | Mock Examinations |         |              |              |              |                        |  |
| Christmas Holiday                |            |    |                   |         |              |              |              |                        |  |

## Year 10

| Intervention Timetable Oct - Dec |            |    |                   |         |           |          |         |                        |  |
|----------------------------------|------------|----|-------------------|---------|-----------|----------|---------|------------------------|--|
| Half Term                        | W/B        |    | Monday            | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday  | Additional Information |  |
| HT2                              | 01.11.2021 | P7 |                   | x       | Options   |          |         |                        |  |
|                                  |            | P8 |                   | x       |           |          |         |                        |  |
|                                  | 08.11.2021 | P7 | Options           | x       |           |          |         |                        |  |
|                                  |            | P8 |                   | x       |           |          |         |                        |  |
|                                  | 15.11.2021 | P7 |                   | x       |           |          |         |                        |  |
|                                  |            | P8 |                   | x       |           | Options  |         |                        |  |
|                                  | 22.11.2021 | P7 |                   | x       |           |          |         |                        |  |
|                                  |            | P8 |                   | x       | Options   |          |         |                        |  |
|                                  | 29.11.2021 | P7 |                   | x       |           |          |         | Options                |  |
|                                  |            | P8 |                   | x       |           |          |         |                        |  |
|                                  | 06.12.2021 | P7 |                   | x       |           |          | Options |                        |  |
|                                  |            | P8 |                   | x       |           |          |         |                        |  |
|                                  | 13.12.2021 | P7 | Mock Examinations |         |           |          |         |                        |  |
|                                  |            | P8 | Mock Examinations |         |           |          |         |                        |  |
| Christmas Holiday                |            |    |                   |         |           |          |         |                        |  |

## School Refurbishment

Over the summer holidays more work has been done to improve the infrastructure around the school. We have brand new refurbished English teaching rooms, new interactive whiteboards and ICT suites across the school and four science labs are due to be refurbished in the very near future. This comes just in time for welcoming our biggest year group in the last five years and will support and help the students of Brayton Academy in all year groups and in all subject areas.



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Finally, I would like to say a big thankyou to our fantastic student ambassadors who gave up a Saturday morning to support with the Year 6 Open Morning. This was a great success and we are very proud of the students and the school community.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact [info@braytonacademy.org.uk](mailto:info@braytonacademy.org.uk).

Yours Sincerely,

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