
The Elms Academy

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Date 15th September 2023

Message from the Principal



It has been a wonderful start to term at The Elms Academy and I would like to extend a very warm welcome to our new Year 7 and Year 12 pupils, along with any other new pupils that have joined in different year groups. A new school year is always a great opportunity to re-establish routines and high expectations after the summer break. In my welcome back assemblies to all year groups, I talked about the fact that we are a 100% school. I discussed the importance of 100% attendance and punctuality; always coming to academy with the correct uniform and correct equipment; working hard in all lessons and completing all homework set to the best of their ability. We know that these simple steps will lead to success for all of our students.

It has been a pleasure to see our students live each day according to our three values of Integrity, Ambition, and Determination. There is so much potential contained within every pupil in the academy, and I am so excited to watch our pupils thrive and flourish as they move through their academy journey. Certainly, my daily interactions with our students whether it be in the canteen, classroom or outside is the highlight of my day.

We have some really exciting opportunities coming up for our students including the sign up for the Monday enrichment clubs opening next week for all of our students in Years 7–9 and further opportunities to follow. I also want to take this opportunity to remind you that my door is always open. It has been lovely to meet some of you at the academy gate, and you are always very welcome to pop in. We are here to make sure we resolve any issues quickly and positively and any feedback is gratefully received. We are an academy that is striving for continuous improvement, to give your children the best possible education experience and I know that if we work together, students, families, and staff that we can ensure the best deal for your children.

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Year 7 Prep

This week Year 7 continued with their prep after school. The students are learning how to be successful at The Elms Academy by practicing important routines, developing their independent learning and bonding as a year group. They have had an excellent first full week at the Academy!



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Year 11 Masterclass

Our Year 11s have hit the ground running and started their Masterclass programme where they receive targeted academic tuition in Maths, English, Science and RE. All students have shown impressive ambition and determination throughout all their sessions this week and we are proud of their positive attitude to their learning.



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Year 10 and 11 Into University Workshops

Some of our students in Year 10 and 11 had the opportunity to work with the fantastic team at Into University on Tuesday. Our Year 10 students were focusing on Entrepreneurship whilst our Year 11s were learning about employability skills, in particular, communication in the workplace. Well done to Telvin for acing his mock-interview!



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Getting to Know You

Name: Ms Hanley

Job: Maths Teacher

House: Szabo

Currently Reading: The Miniaturist by Jessie Burton

A favourite film: Harry Potter and the Half-blood Prince.

Interesting fact about me: I love traveling to new places.

What I like about working at The Elms Academy: The friendly, welcoming atmosphere.



Key Dates for Your Diary

Event	Date	Time
Year 11 Geography Field trip to Eastbourne	18 th September 2023	7.45am – 5pm
Year 11 Final Push Evening	4 th October 2023	4.30pm
Grammar Stream Evening	5 th October 2023	4.30pm
Year 7 and Year 8 enrichment begins	Monday 2 nd October 2023 MONDAY'S ONLY	3.30pm – 4.30pm
Welcome to GCSE Evening	12 th October 2023	4.30pm – 6.30pm
Welcome to KST 3 Evening – Year 7, 8 & 9	19 th October 2023	4.30pm
October Half Term	23 rd – 27 th October 2023	All week
Inset Day	30 th October 2023	All day