

TQEA WEEKLY NEWS

Friday 11th March 2022 Issue 21

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Tuesday it was wonderful to fling the academy doors open and welcome our Year 9 parents and carers to our Options afternoon. This is a crucial event in the options programme 2022 and parents and carers clearly agreed as the attendance was excellent. As Principal this has been one of the few occasions since 2020 that I have been able to meet parents and carers at an event such as this due to the pandemic. It was great to meet you and the buzz in the academy was excellent. We are offering 23 Ks4 options in 2022 and hope that you got the information you needed to make informed judgements. Please be reminded to access your link to choose on-line and please do not hesitate to contact Mr Armishaw if you need any further support.

As part of Careers week this week students have been focused on looking at careers pathways. It is important that this happens in Ks3 and our younger students had the opportunity to explore different post-16 options and connect them to potential careers. The aspiration that this creates in each child is vital in motivating them to work hard and achieve the very best they can. Our mission is for all students at TQEA to be able to compete nationally and globally in their chosen career and our Curriculum 2021 approach of developing oracy, writing, reading, reasoning and problem solving is key to providing those employability skills which are a feature of the OECD 2030 Future Careers paper.

Think Higher Coventry and Warwickshire led some superb presentations with our Year 9 students this week. The visitors from Warwick University talked to students about the benefits of university education and answered questions to challenge misconceptions about university education.

In the sporting field our Dodgeball team had success in coming 3rd out of 12 academies in the Regional Dodgeball final. Mr Morgan reported to me that the team played brilliantly and a hallmark of their performance was their sporting attitude and team work. Well done to all of our bronze medal winners! Our Year 7 football team played their first fixtures and won, drew and lost one game in a tournament against three teams. Year 8 were on display with their silky passing game and their 4-2-3-1 formation to lose 3-1 to Higham Lane, but to defeat Hartshill 5-0. Well done to all of our teams!

A reminder to parents and carers to check our after-school clubs and to encourage your child to try one of them. We would like every child at TQEA to try a club whether it is sporting, art, theatre, yoga or cooking among many others!

Wishing you a good weekend.



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Principal

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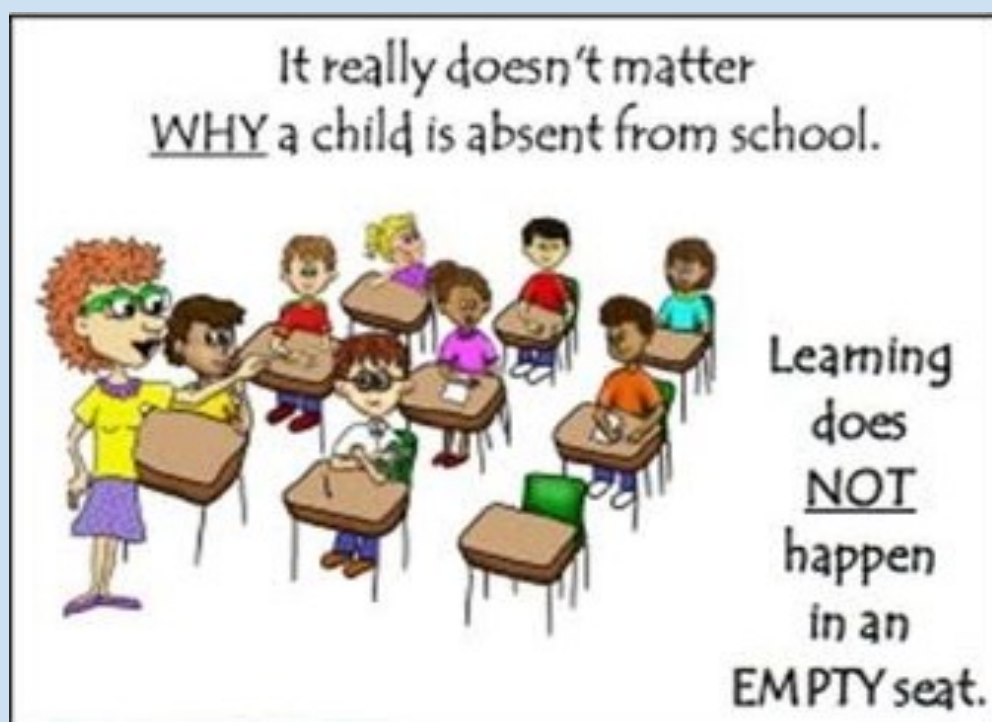
TQEA is committed to providing our young people with an extraordinary education in a safe environment.

Could parents and carers please note that the academy day starts at 8:45am. Students arriving after the academy bell will receive an R30 at the end of the academy day unless they have evidence of a medical reason or appointment for being late.

Punctuality and attendance habits are a crucial aspect of your child's education and preparation for work. College and employment references unfailingly expect us to report the attendance and punctuality of your child.

Please support us by ensuring that your child is in the academy before 8:45am in order for them to be on time and prepared for a day of learning.

Your support in this matter is much appreciated.



We would like to thank all our parents for their continued support in making sure children are in school on time for the start of every school day. It really does make a difference just five minutes lost each day means they lose 3 days of learning.



Class Charts is an application where you will be able to see important information about your child's behaviour (rewards and sanctions) and attendance. Through the Class Charts app, you will also receive email notifications if your child receives a same day detention for 30 or 60 minutes. It

is important that you download this app in order to receive this information. If you have any issues with this or have not yet accessed your account, please do not hesitate in contacting your child's Head of Year. ***** CLASS CHARTS NOW HAS THE FUNCTION TO REPORT AN ABSENCE, PLEASE USE THIS FROM NOW ON. MY ED HAS NOW BEING CLOSED AND WE MAY NOT RECEIVE YOUR MESSAGE*****



Special Recognition

Congratulations Year 11 for working hard to improve our positive achievement points! Here are the top students from their tutor groups during the last week.

11DK— Tamzin Douglas & James Read

11KXS— Samuel Cooper

11LD— Calum Abram & Jessica-Mai Bickley

11MRB— Sophie Caddy

11SDS— Bobby Bendle, Lewis Douglas & Lacey-Anne Turner

Keep up the Good Work!

Principals Pick's of the Week

Here are this weeks worthy winners.



Fantastic physicality demonstrated in Drama lessons—especially with his performance as an elderly gentleman



Excellent extended writing in computer science



Outstanding effort and achievement in English



Maintaining their 100% score on the Educake Science homework set throughout the academic year. Exceptionally knowledge of Sociology units and maturity in presenting the knowledge



Fantastic piece of extended writing demonstrating pride.



Student Achievements for week 14th February to 27th February

Top Year 7 Students

Jack Croshaw— 7NMT 38 Points
 Kayleigh Walpole—7NMT—38 points
 Elliott Deakin—7NMT 35 points
 Sadie Lloyd—7NMT 33 points



Top Year 8 Students

George Coyle—8dJD 34 points
 Joshua Haywood—8DJJ 30 points
 Lexi-Mai Brotherhood—8DJJ 29 points
 Bode Wattis—8DJJ 29 points

Top Year 9 Students

Holly Beale—9JXP 26 points
 Freya Douglas—9RM 25 points
 Kaicy Marsh—9JXP 22 points
 Trinity Millington-York—9RZC 21 points



Top Year 10 Students

Harry Wilson—10JYS 18 points
 Harry Albrighton—10KJW 17 points
 Taylor Gore—10RJG 17 points
 Cameron Lewandowski—10JYS 5 points

Top Year 11 Students

Kacey Summers—11LD 15 points	Bethany Dicken—11KXS 10 points
Calum Abram—11LD 10 points	Elizabeth Porter—11MRB 10 points
Jack Brickley—11Dk 10 points	Aleighsha Read—11DK 10 points
Ethan Cowburn—11MRB 10 points	Gracie-Mae Smith—11MRB 10 points
A'Shadiieyah Yasin—11MRB 10 points	

Top 3 Tutor Groups of the Week

8DJJ 552 points
 7NMT—498 points
 7RRC—485 points

Top 3 Tutor Groups of the Year to date

Year 9—949 points
 Year 8—1372
 Year 7 1673



KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK!!

Year 9 Careers Week Activities



This week has been career week and it has been great to have visitors in the academy to talk to the students about Career Pathways, we had visits from NWSLC and St Thomas More. We also welcomed KE6 Nuneaton to our options fair and Think Higher who has delivered sessions from Warwick Uni to reveal the benefits of attending university.



Community Coffee Morning

TQEA Community Coffee Morning

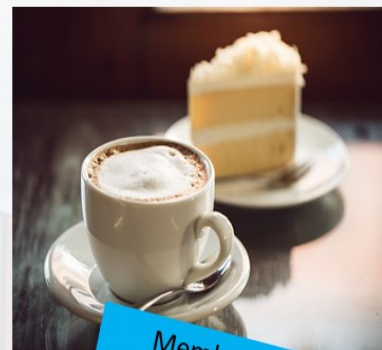
Friday 25th March 2022

9am to 11am - Drop in and chat with us.

It has been a long time since we have seen some of you. Come and reconnect with us and your school. Meet and Talk to key individuals about:

- How you have been affected by COVID at home and in your community.
- How your child has been in the last couple of years
- How we can support you and your child further
- What you would like to see in your community.

Further information from the school office on:
01827 712477 or info@tqea.org.uk



We know some of you have not been into our school building for over 2 years (if ever for our year 7 and 8 parents)

Members of our Pastoral Team (Heads of Year) staff, Senior Leadership Team, Attendance and SEN teams will all be on hand throughout the morning

Come and join us, talk with us and each other. This is your school in your community, your voice is important to us

Information & Advise



For the latest news and advice from Warwickshire SEND please use this link.

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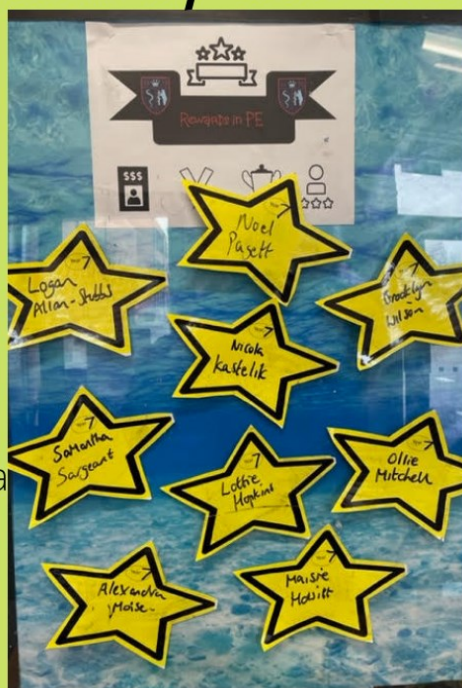
Whats happening in PE?



Massive congratulations to our year 7 dodgeball team who competed at North Solihull sports centre for the county finals which is the finals for the whole of Coventry, Solihull and Warwickshire. Competing against top schools over the county! Eventually securing 3RD PLACE overall! All collecting BRONZE medals! This is a massive achievement and we should all be very proud! so please congratulate the year 7 students when you see them!

Stars of the week

Next week in our diary of sports competitions we have year 7/8 trampolining competition and we have a number of football fixtures in the next couple of weeks! Clubs and teams open to all students to attend. Speak to a member of PE staff if you are unsure when clubs are on.



All clubs to resume from Tuesday 15th March as year 11 mock exams will be finished. Below is the timetable for all our clubs

Time/Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Football Club	No Club	Who: All years What: Football Lead: Mr Toms	Who: All years What: Football Lead: Mr Toms	Who: All years What: Football Lead: Mr Toms	Who: All years What: Football Lead: Mr Toms
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3.10-4.10	Leadership Award School Games net 3.10-4.05	Who: All years What: Trampoline Lead: Mr Webb	Who: All years What: Trampoline Lead: Mr Webb	Who: All years What: Trampoline Lead: Mr Webb	Who: All years What: Trampoline Lead: Mr Webb
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Trainers needed at breakfast and lunch clubs - full kit needed for after school



Well done to our year 7 football team who competed at Higham Lane on Wednesday afternoon.

Won 1-0 against Higham Lane
 Drew 1-1 with Hartshill
 Lost 3-1 to Nicholas Chamberlaine



Well done to our year 8 football team who competed at Hartshill on Thursday afternoon.

lost to Higham Lane 3-1
 Won 5-0 against Hartshill



Dates for the Diary

Coffee Morning—25th March

Year 11 Parents Evening—31st March

Easter Half term 8th April

Time/Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Breakfast Club 8.00-8.30 Only Trainers needed	No Clubs 	Who: All years What: Futsal Lead: Mr Slinn 	Who: Year All years What: Basketball Lead: Mrs Gibson 	Who: All years What: Trampolining Lead: Mr Webb 	Who: All years What: Dodgeball Lead: Mr Morgan
Lunch time club 1.35-2.00 Only Trainers needed	No Clubs 	Who: All years What: Basketball Lead: Mr Webb 	Who: All years What: Trampolining Lead: Mr Slinn 	Who: All years What: Girls Football Lead: Mr Morgan GCSE PE- MR Webb Table Tennis- Drama studio 	Who: All years What: Futsal Lead: Mr Morgan
After School club 3.10-4.10 Full PE Kit needed	 Leadership Award- School Games run 3.05-4.05 Mr Webb- GCSE Tech Revision/PEP issues 1-5	Who: All Years What: Netball- sports hall Football- Astro Turf Lead: Netball- Mr Webb Football- Mr Morgan 	Who: All Years What: Trampolining Lead: Mr Webb 	Who: All years What: Badminton Lead: Mr Morgan 	No Clubs Staff training Early Finish

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HOLIDAYS



Is your child eligible?



The Queen Elizabeth
Academy

One of the effects of the COVID 19 Pandemic is the changes to our home and financial situations.

If your financial situation has changed and you receive of any of the following your child may be able to get free school meals;

Income Support

Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance

Income-related Employment and Support Allowance

Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

The guaranteed element of Pension Credit

Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)

Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)



If your child is in any of the following categories, the school can apply for extra funding through the Pupil Premium programme which will enable us to provide additional support and resources to benefit your child's education at TQEA:

In receipt of Free School Meals

A looked after child

A previously looked after child

A child with a parent currently serving in HM Armed Forces.

A child with a parent who is retired with a pension from Ministry of Defence.

A child who has been adopted



If any of the above situations applies to your family due to a change in circumstances and we are not already aware, please contact the school and we can assist you further.

Families who are already in receipt of Free school meals and Pupil Premium funding will shortly be receiving a survey from TQEA to assist with our support package this year. We would be grateful if you could complete the survey and return to the school.



Attendance Matters

REPORTING AN ABSENCE IS REQUIRED AND EASY!

• NOTIFY THE OFFICE VIA

EMAIL : attendance@tqea.org.uk

CALL: 01827 737714

CLASS CHARTS : Notify using the app under Attendance—Report an absence.



Doctor's Notes

Heading to a medical appointment during the school day?
Please ask for a note for your student on the way out and
send a copy to the office : Take a photo and email us!



LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME UPDATED INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

The Supreme court recently reached a decision in the case of Platt vs Isle of Wight Council which has clarified the law on unauthorised leave, including holidays during term time. The parents of children of compulsory school age are required to ensure that they attend school on a regular basis. The supreme Court has made it clear that attending school 'regularly' means that the children must attend school on every day that they are required to do so. As such, the parents of any child who is absent from school without authorisation for any length of time are likely to be considered committing an offence under s444 of the Education Act 1996.

Head Teachers retain the ability to authorise leave in accordance with the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006. When considering such requests for a leave of absence, the school are obliged to act within the law. Head Teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application. If the leave is granted, head teachers are able to determine the number of school days a child can be absent for.

It is the Head Teacher to decide what is 'exceptional' and it is at their discretion if the circumstances warrant the leave to be granted. The school can only consider Leave of Absence requests which are made by the resident parent.

Each application for a leave of absence will be considered on a case by case basis and on its own merits.

Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child will be required to be in school on the dates set out in the application. If the child is absent during that period, it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence, which may result in legal action being taken against the parent(s), by way of a Fixed Penalty Notice.

Failure to make an application for leave in advance can also result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued to the parent(s).

All matters of unauthorised absence relating to a Leave of Absence will be referred to the Warwickshire Attendance Service, part of Warwickshire County Council.

It is important to note, Fixed Penalty Notices are issued to each parent of each absent child, (for example 2 children and 2 parents, means each parent will receive 2 invoices in the amount of £120 each, totalling £240 for both children, this is reduced to £60 per child if paid within 21 days).

Where a Fixed Penalty Notice is not paid within the required timeframe as set out on the notice, the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider instigating criminal proceedings under S444 Education Act 1996.

Fixed Penalty Notices are issued in accordance with Warwickshire Councils Code of Conduct for Penalty Notices.

Warwickshire School pupils recorded 31,196 half day sessions of absence due to holiday in the Autumn term 2019.