



‘Another week at Archie’

Week commencing February 6th

Thank you for the continued support as we navigate the IT systems following the Trust network issues.

EduLink is now up and running again. You should be able to access updates from the school regarding your child. If you find that you are not able to receive information please contact the school where we will support you with any issues.

The lunch cashless system is almost ready to allow students to use. Please continue to upload payments.

Student safeguarding

In school this week, both within collective worship, form time and PSHE we will be learning more about the two issues below. I have shared two links you may wish to read as parents to support the learning in school and to learn more how to support your child at home

Children’s mental health week 7th-13th February

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/childrens-mental-health/>

Safer Internet Day on 14th February 2023

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/talking-child-online-safety/>

Healthy choices

Thank you for the support in ensuring that your child does not bring in any fizzy canned, bottled drinks and/or any energy drinks into the academy. Neither of these types of drinks are allowed in the academy. We are particularly concerned about the latest craze of buying ‘Prime drinks’. The drink has been designed in a way that is not suitable for young people in school. There is a noticeable difference within the academy.

Road safety

I continue to remain very worried about the students walking to school on the main Preston Road

Please can you ask your child, as they arrive at school in the morning to come straight into school and not wait at the gates, as we know the main road is exceptionally busy and we need to ensure students do not congregate there. As the days continue to grow darker please can I ask you to speak to your child about road safety and walking to and from school this link provides <https://capt.org.uk/csw-road-safety/> useful advice.

As we continue to drive up expectations for our students please note that all students will now, after arriving at their usual gate (Y7 & Y11 Bilton Grove, Y8,Y9 & Y10 Preston Road), enter the building through the same entrance on a morning. At this entrance there will be numerous staff members there to ensure your child is in the correct uniform and ready to learn. For any students that are not wearing the correct uniform we will have items that can be borrowed from the school until such time in which the correct item can be purchased. Any student that refuses to engage with our high expectations will unfortunately be subject to an appropriate sanction.

Please can you support the school to ensure your child:

- Removes any false nails and/or nail varnish before school.
- No jewellery- except a pair of stud earrings
- Mobile phones are turned off and remain out of site all day
- No make up

Please can you ensure your child brings a school bag, with a pen and pencil ready to learn

Collective Worship w/c Monday February 6th

Please ask your child their thoughts and reflection on the collective worship which this week will be discussing:

Children's Mental Health Week 7-13th February includes Safer Internet Day on 14.2.23.

Matthew 10:16 <https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+10%3A16&version=NIVUK>

ASA Parent Council

We still have some places on the Parent Council for parents/carers of Y11 or Sixth-Form students. If you are interested then please email: l.clark@asa.hslt.academy. We would love for you to join us!

Extra -Curricular activities

Please share the calendar of extra-curricular activities listed at the end of the newsletter. These activities are on top of the provision already in place (Breakfast club, revision sessions, sporting clubs)

Good news to share

Miss Afford has told me how pleased she is with her Y9s, particularly Lewis, Oscar and Jessica who wrote some fabulous pieces of creative writing.

Miss Afford also planned a 'hot seating' activity with her Y8s and was very impressed with Bailey

Miss Holmes has shared with me how proud she is with Macey in Y11 who is given 100% to every aspect of school

Mr Riches is pleased with all the Y7 students who he teaches English. However, Tyler is making massive strides in both his progress and enjoyment of the subject.

7SHK are the winners of the big trophy -best overall achievement points

Three top achieving students in that tutor group were Bray, Evie & Finley.

7HJO were the 2nd place tutor group for this last week.

'The Poetry of A Hullensian'

I am proud of all ASA students but this week one student stood out. Jake (Y9) has published his second book!

<https://www.lulu.com/shop/jake-l-palmer/the-poetry-of-a-hullensian/paperback/product-2p6r7w.html?q=jake+l+palmer&page=1&pageSize=4>

Please take a look at the link and a perfect gift to buy!

Changes to the entrance to the school building

We are always looking to improve the site's safety to keep our students safe. We have tightened security on the gates to the school. We have now added an intercom to the front gates leading to the main entrance. We are requesting that all visits to the site during the school day 8:40am to 3:00pm are by appointment only. If you wish to make an appointment to the school please ring: 01482 781912

Phone lines

I have listened to many parents describe their frustration in making contact with the school via the telephone. To try and reduce the time it takes to speak to a member of staff at the school we have introduced the following telephone options

Safeguarding	Press 1
Attendance	Press 2
Student Services	Press 3
For Year 7	Press 4
For Year 8	Press 5
For Year 9	Press 6
For Year 10	Press 7
For Year 11	Press 8
Reception	Press 9

A Note from the Principal

Please email hello@asa.hslt.academy to nominate your child for a 'Postcard from the Principal' for achievements outside of school you would like to share.

'Tea with the Principal' continues every Friday at 2:30pm. Year Leaders from Y7, Y8, Y9 and Y10 are invited to nominate 2 students from their year group who have achieved above and beyond in an area of school life. This is a wonderful opportunity to talk to the students and also gain their views on how we can improve the school further. The students who achieve the invite are also celebrated on the academy's Facebook page. Please check out the photos, the pride from the students' beams through!

This term I will be introducing Work of Wonder at the school or WOW@ASA. Each week I will be showcasing students' work that has made their teacher 'WOW'

Random Act of Kindness

Thanks for the many nominations that were emailed through last week. Please continue to nominate members of staff who have made a difference to your child.

Please email the name and reason to randomactofkindness@asa.hslt.academy

Y9 Options evening

The options evening is Thursday 23rd February. Further details will be sent to parents later this week. Please can you start to talk to your child about what they would like to choose and of course why they wish to choose a particular subject.

The link below gives great advice for parents:

<https://www.careerpilot.org.uk/parent-zone/all-questions/how-can-i-help-my-child-make-their-option-choices-in-year-9-some-schools-make-option-choices-in-y8>

Y10 GCSE support

We have widened the opportunity afforded to Y11 students to the Y10 students

GCSEPod has now been rolled out to all Y10s:

- GCSE Pod is an online revision tool
- Designed to make learning stick by watching revision Pods
- Check and challenge activities allow students to test their knowledge
- Website: www.gcsepod.com
- Email K.Stephenson@asa.hslt.academy for further guidance

Breakfast revision 08:00am to 08.40am everyday

We would like to invite Y10 to breakfast revision sessions from 8am every morning. Y10 are welcome to come to school, have breakfast and complete independent work on their preparation for exams. This will be supervised by Y10 intervention staff who are on hand to support

Y11 Revision opportunities

Passport to the Prom

There were some parental concerns raised on social media about the attendance target of 95%, please can I make clear, as we did to the Y11 students and parents who attended the Passport to the Prom Evening in December. All genuine medical absences will be taken into account.

'Passport to the Prom'. Y11s must take responsibility for keeping their passport safe and it will be updated weekly in tutor time to allow them to track their progress.

The criteria for Prom is as follows:

- 95% Attendance between January and May 15th (date of 1st core GCSE exam)
- Minimum of 500 reward points
- 300 GCSE Pods viewed
- 50 breakfast or after school revision sessions attended (this works out to roughly 3 per week)

ASA staff are so supportive of the Y11 progress and are offering many opportunities. If your child is in Y11 please encourage their attendance

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After school revision

Please look for a letter from Mrs Riley with the update SPS schedule and return the consent forms asap

February Half Term we will also be offering revision sessions for Y11

Dates for your diary

Thursday February 23rd	Year 9 Options Evening 4pm to 7:30pm
Monday March 3rd	Year 11 PPEs commence
Thursday March 6th	Post 16 PPEs commence

How to get in touch

Telephone:	01482 781912
Email:	hello@asa.hslt.academy
Random Act of Kindness:	randomactofkindness@asa.hslt.academy

Any feedback on what other information you would like me to include in the weekly letter, please email the school **hello@asa.hslt.academy**

Yours sincerely.



Sarah Holmes-Carne
Principal | Archbishop Sentamu Academy

Extra- curricular activities

Day / Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School (8:00-8:30a m)			School Magazine (Half-Termly) Mrs Hill		
After School (3:00-4:00p m)	Homework Club Mrs Tate	Homework Club Mrs Tate	Homework Club Mrs Tate		Fitness Club Mr Stead
	School Production Mrs Riley	Rock Band Club Mr Quinn	Sports Stars Club Mr Brown-Garcia		School Production Mrs Riley
	School Musical Mrs Shepherd		Book Club V Mainprize		School Musical Mrs Shepherd

*** If you are interested in taking part in one of these clubs then please speak to the member of staff listed**