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Principals Update

I hope that the first newsletter of the new year finds you well and that you had a good Christmas break! It has been great to welcome students back to the academy this year and they have started the new term really positively.

In the Y11 assembly today we discussed how we will support students with their revision for their GCSE's. On the 25th January there will be a really useful evening for parents outlining this in more detail. More information will follow next week but the evening will take place at 5.30 in the main hall. The revision evening will be an excellent companion to the Progress Evening taking place next week. Please make sure if you haven't already that you sign up via Edulink.

On 18th January y9 students will have an important assembly setting out the process we use for helping them to choose their KS4 options. We will be sending home further information about the process and the courses on offer at the same time, but one extra tool students will have available this year is Unifrog (<u>www.unifrog.org</u>). This is a careers website they can use to see which jobs or university courses might link well with the subjects they are interested in taking. They should receive their login for Unifrog by Monday, and form tutors will show them how to navigate the site in due course, but please do feel free to explore it with your child independently.

Have a good weekend!



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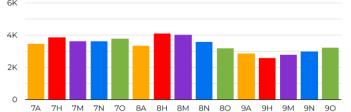
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Drama Update

Both events scheduled for March (*Shrek the Musical* and *The Government Inspector Workshop*) are now sold out. Parents who have signed up unsuccessfully have had their son/daughter added to the cancellations list and will contacted should any spaces become available.

Broadland on Broadway rehearsals for the full cast begin again on Wednesday 24th January. The cast were issued lyrics for the GREASE song "We Go Together" - please practice these lyrics and learn as much as possible for this date.

Marketing Manager (Annie M in Year 9) has been working hard on initial designs for our "Broadland on Broadway" posters and advertising materials, and we hope to have the final design professionally made ready to be released by the end of this half term.

There are currently 5 timetabled LAMDA slots available for new students. Lessons are priced at £10 per 30-minute lesson and students can opt to work towards Graded Examinations. For more information regarding this please contact Mr J Howard (Head of Drama)

PE department notices

Clubs that are starting this term after school 3-4pm

Netball fixtures will all be on Tuesdays- attend netball club to get more information

Day	Club	Lead teacher
Tuesday	7&8 Girls Basketball	Mr Tregale
Wednesday	Girls indoor cricket 7-10	Miss King
Wednesday	Netball all years	Mrs Keel
Thursday	Hoopstars	Hoopstars (Ken) Mr Shreeve

- Remember to **sign up for clubs** on Edulink (all are 'new' new clubs for 2024)

PE lessons

- Please remember your base layers
- Please also make sure you have trainers in school in case of any changes needed due to weather

EPTA UK Piano Competition Norfolk Region Saturday 10th February 2024



For more information, we are organising two short Q&A webinars for The Norfolk Piano Competition

Sunday 14th January 2024 - 4pm For Teachers, Parents and Candidates

The webinar will include: How do you submit your piano candidate? What repertoire/grade level can the candidate play? When and where is the competition? What happens on the day? What if my candidate wins or proceeds to the London final round?

> To subscribe please scan the following QR Code or visit the following link:





EPTA UK Regional Organisers for Norfolk: Benjamin Howell and Matthew Preston Contacts: info@benjaminhowell.com or matthewprestonmusic@gmail.com

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Tuesdays 6.10pm - 7.00pm at The Garage

Book your place here: https://www.thegarage.org.uk/classes/



Norfolk County Youth Choir is a choir for young people from across Norfolk. Open to young people from Year 6 upwards; there is no audition required, it is free to attend, and all you need to join is a love of singing and a desire to improve your skills.

This is a great way to reconnect with live singing; a relaxed and welcoming space to explore music, performance and share the fantastic benefits of singing together.

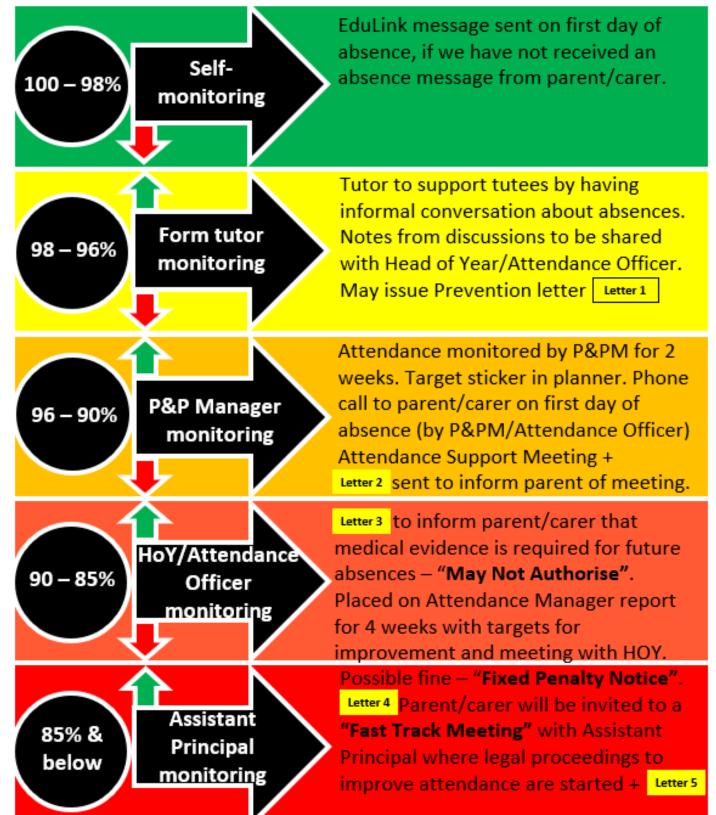
The Choir is free to attend but booking is required.

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How our academy will support you with achieving excellent attendance!



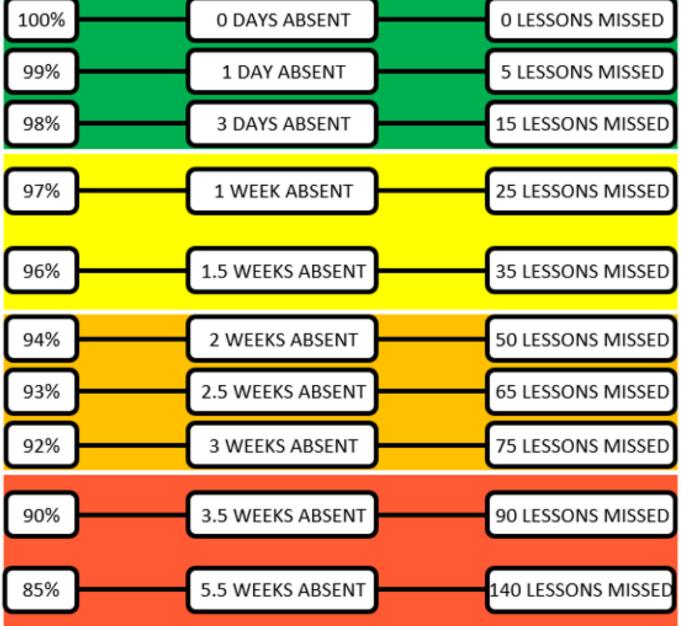


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Excellent attendance matters!





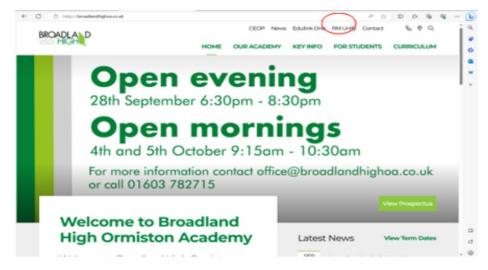
Be the best you..... ATTEND EVERY LESSON, EVERY DAY ON TIME.

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Accessing School Accounts From Home

How to access Teams, Office 365 and Outlook from home:

- 1. Go to the Broadland website.
- 2. Click the RM Unify button at the top of the page.



3. Sign in using student username and password:

Username: 23 followed by first letter of first name, then last name (Example: 23aking)

Password: The same password students use to log onto the computers at school



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Click sign in and it will load up the Broadland RM Unify

launch pad where you will find Teams, Outlook and Office 365.

 To log into Outlook, use the same details used for logging into RM Unify. It may ask for your email address which is, your username followed by @broadlandhighoa.co.uk (Example: 23aking@broadlandhighoa.co.uk)

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In keeping with our commitment to provide students with outstanding careers guidance and tailored support when choosing their next steps after school, Broadland will shortly be using Unifrog, an award-winning, online destinations platform. All students in all Years will have access to this website by the end of the academic year.

We will begin with Year 10 students to enable them to add work experience placements - we will send Y10 students and their parents further information about how to do this next week.

Students access the platform by clicking a link in their welcome email, which will also be sent to their school email address next week. They will then be able to create a password and can begin using the platform.

They will sign in to Unifrog using their academy email address and password and they can do so from any computer, tablet, or smartphone. We would encourage you to use the platform with your child so you can support them through the process of deciding their next step.

Unifrog is the universal destinations platform and is designed to support learners in making the most informed decisions about their futures and has a range of tools that are suitable for all year groups. Each student has their own account where they can explore all the career and next step options available to them and find information on everything from managing their workload to writing a winning CV. Students have access to a wide variety of video and written content, and interactive quizzes and tests, including:

Section of the platform	Examples of what students can do	Suitable age range
Quizzes	Finding their interests, personality type, preferred work environment, and skillset.	Years 7-11
Exploring pathways	Explore careers, career sectors, subjects, sign up to free webinars, explore MOOCs and courses, and find wider reading materials.	Years 7-11
Recording what you've done	Record their in-class and extracurricular activities, record examples of their skills, and see the record of CEIAG events the school has added to their accounts.	Years 7-11
Work experience placements	Record their work experience placement, keep track of its approval process, fill in a day today placement diary.	Year 10

What does your sparetime look like?

Flying, sports, target shooting, drill, adventure training, camping, fieldcraft, canoeing, archery, abseiling and more... all whilst hanging out with new friends and having fun!

222 (Broadlands) Squadron Air Cadets

Monday and Friday evenings | 7–9.30pm Broadland High Ormiston Academy Are you 12 years old and in Year 8? O G-CGX

Join us today!

Register your interest by emailing 222@rafac.mod.gov.uk

or visit 222-atc.org.uk

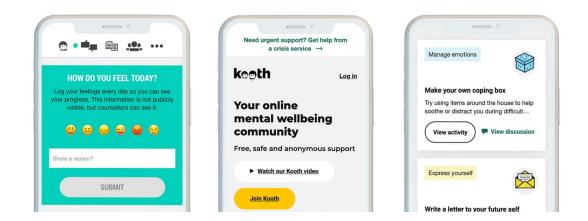


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Kooth



Kooth is a web based confidential support service available to young people. Kooth provides a safe and secure means of accessing mental health and wellbeing support designed specifically for young people.

Kooth offers young people the opportunity to have a text-based conversation with a qualified counsellor. Counsellors are available from 12noon to 10pm on weekdays and 6pm to 10pm at weekends, every day of the year on a drop-in basis. Young people can access regular booked online counselling sessions as needed. Outside counselling hours' young people can message our team and get support within 24 hours.

When students register with **Kooth** they will have support available to them now and in the future. Support can be gained not only through counselling but articles, forums and discussion boards. All content is age appropriate, clinically approved and fully moderated.

To find out more visit

www.Koothplc.com (adults)

www.kooth.com (young people)

where young people can register and others can find out more about the service.

You can also view a short video about the service at: https://vimeo.com/318731977/a9f32c87de.





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Safer Schools App

As part of OAT we have free access to the Safer Schools App. The Safer Schools App is an award-winning safeguarding resource, developed in partnership between Ineqe Safeguarding Group and Zurich Municipal, that helps entire school communities to better protect themselves in the digital world, through delivering contemporary and contextual safeguarding information to teachers, students, parents and carers.

Parents and carers have access to information on the popular social media platforms used by their children and their friends. They are also provided with an insight on critical issues such as bullying, sexting and gaming and are given easy to follow advice on how they can make their homes and the devices they give their children safer. Parents and carers can download the app and scan the QR code to the left or enter the code for our academy-7675.

Students have access to age appropriate information, advice and guidance on keeping themselves safe online. Students can download the app and scan the QR code to the right or enter the code for our academy - 4898. If you have any questions or concerns about safeguarding please do not hesitate to contact one of the BHOA team.

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