



The weekly newsletter of
Arena Academy

Welcome

Friday 3rd July 2020

Dear Parent and Carers,

As mentioned in the newsletter last week I promised that as soon as information was available regarding pupils returning to school in September I would keep you updated. As you will have seen in the news all pupils will be expected to return to school in September. The guidance that we have received from the Department of Education today is vast and we are in the process of adapting the timetable and working practices to reflect this. More details will be issued to you next week when we have had more time to consider the implications of the guidance and the measures we must put in place over the next few weeks to ensure that your child returns to school in the safest way possible, whilst offering the full curriculum.

Please also take a few moments to read through the government advice for parents and carers regarding nurseries, childminders, schools and colleges during the summer term, in to the break and September. <https://tinyurl.com/y9d9nf5m>

In the meantime please continue to encourage your child to maintain their participation in the online lessons, and I look forward to welcoming them all back in September. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us at enquires@arena-birmingham.academy

Mr Raj Mann
Headteacher

Arena Academy Foodbank update:

Please remember that our foodbank for free school meal families will be continuing throughout the summer break, bringing much needed food and essentials to many of our families.

This can only happen because of the generosity of those involved: Masters Catering, Excel Church, Pepe's Piri Piri and the Trehurst Community Centre, all of whom are kindly donating food and essential goods to support our families.

Year 11 News

Hi parents and carers of our Year 11 students. We hope that you enjoyed the first installment of the Year 11 Year Book. This was put together by members of the Student Leadership Team using the photographs that our Year 11 students provided. The second installment comes in the more traditional form of a tangible book. This will be different to the video version as staff will be deciding on the structure and content. In addition to student photographs, we will be using photographs that have been taken by our staff over the past 5 years which will include every Year 11 student, their memories and their quotes. There will also be an autograph page where students and staff can sign upon our reunion celebration that will take place when government guidelines allow this to happen. There will be more information regarding the tangible Year Book in due course, and remember that our Leavers apparel online store closes **Monday 27th July**. Please place your orders before then.

Please see the comments made by key members of the leadership team who wanted to express their gratitude:

"I would like to thank everyone from the whole year, SLT and form tutors for sending in photos and videos for the video as it wouldn't have been done without your help! I really hope you enjoyed the video and hope that most of our memories from our school journey were presented in that video!" (Kishan Jethwa – Creator of the video)

"Thank you to everyone that helped make the yearbook as great as it was, I hoped everyone enjoyed all the memories people sent in from our time at Arena Academy!" (Faith Colledge – Head Student)

"I just wanted to say a massive thank you for all the pictures and contributions to the virtual year book. Hope you and your families both enjoyed it." (Sach Dulay – Head Student)

You are able to download the Virtual Year Book using the following link

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Lj-1XlwB3gb4xDu2ZilaF234S66irfFC/view?usp=sharing>

Thank you for your support, stay safe and well.

Miss Johnson.

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Arena Academy Alumni - Calling former Arena Academy & Perry Beeches Students!

We would really love to reconnect with our past students. Did you or a family member once come to this school? We would like to add you to our alumni so that our staff and students can find out about the amazing things that you have been doing since leaving. Your journeys will allow our students an insight to some of the opportunities that there are, with the aim to inspire them to go on to do great things.

Did you get the job of your dreams? Did you go to university? Did you work abroad?

Your story may inspire today's students.

Please email Ms Batsford if you would like to join our alumni:

mbatsford@arena-birmingham-academy



Year 6 to 7 Virtual Induction Evenings

Under normal circumstances, we would have been welcoming our new Year 7 students and their families into Arena Academy this week to enjoy their induction day and evening. Lock down restrictions have changed our plans slightly this year and instead we are holding a series of virtual induction evenings from Monday 29th June - Thursday 9th July at 6.30pm. These have been a great success so far! It has been lovely to meet our newest additions to the Arena family (even if it is over a computer screen!) and we have had some fantastic questions from students eager to find out more about life at Arena Academy. We can't wait to meet you properly in September!

Next week, we are meeting 7LFR, 7MIS, 7MLO and 7NYE. Please get in touch with Miss Guest via email (kguest@arena-birmingham.academy) if you want to find out more information about taking part in a virtual induction evening, and don't forget to access our website for more year 6 to 7 transition information.

<http://arena-birmingham.academy/year-7-september-2020-new-starters/>



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