

Principal's Blog

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Firstly, I would like to take the opportunity to wish all of our students, parents and carers and whole community a Happy New Year. I hope you have all had a wonderful restful break.

It was wonderful to see our young people return. All students in tutor time on Tuesday watched my assembly reminding them of our academy expectations and standards. Please do support your child by reading through the Positive Discipline for Learning and Life policy available on our website [here](#).

Year 11 are now working on their prom passports. Please support your child to get the very best outcomes in the summer by prioritising their attendance, effort and commitment over the coming months. Please contact us if your child requires specific support.

Our Trust amended uniform policy has now started. We hope that this will support you financially. Please remind yourself of the changes [here](#). Remember that restrictions are in place - for example any kind of stretchy fabric on trousers and skirts is not allowed.

Our monthly learning overview for January for all subjects across all year groups is now available [here](#). Please use this to discuss with your child what they are learning about in the academy. Finally, our January literacy and reading newsletter is available [here](#).

HOME LEARNING SCHEDULE

Our year group specific home learning schedule has now been released on our website to support your child in knowing how regularly homework will be set by which subject and what form that homework will take. Please support your child in reading this carefully.

Balance of student autonomy with collaboration to help students flourish.

SIGN UP NOW!

Quick Sign Up - Your child can sign you up using this quick form:

<http://guardian-summaries.outwood.com>

- Guardian Summaries keeps you updated with information about the learning and progress for your child.
- Your child just needs to complete the opt-in Google Form.
(this must be completed through your child's school google account).
- You can then select to receive daily or weekly learning updates.

These emails, known as 'Guardian Summaries', include information about missing work, upcoming work, and class activity including announcements and questions posted in the class stream.

More information can be found on this website: [Classroom.freeston.outwood.com](https://www.classroom.freeston.outwood.com)

YEAR 7 LAUNCH OF SILVER ACE BADGES

Year 7 had today a very exciting assembly. Whilst the vast majority walk the academy wearing their bronze ACE (Academy Conduct and Expectations) badge with pride, we have now launched the passport for students to achieve their silver badge. In addition, we have our ACE Race for 2023 - we look forward to watching students be positively competitive and being the best they can be.



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