

Head of School

Friday 10th March 2023

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

This week has been National Careers Week which has enabled our students to consider their potential future pathways within the world of work. Miss Myers, our Careers and Aspirations Lead, has been delivering careers information to all year groups. Staff members have also shared their own personal journey of how they reached their current position at school. It was enlightening for the students to see how many hidden skills our staff have! Students were inspired to consider what their potential career may look like in the future.

One of the highlights of my week has to be the Year 11 practice Food examination which has taken place across the week. The standard of food prepared and served was incredible, it really did feel like I was on the set of MasterChef! I had to be reminded on more than one occasion that it was food 'tasting' rather than food 'eating'! I was so impressed with the three course meals, we really have some exceptionally talented young people.



On Monday, our Year 9 Netball and Football teams took part in the highly competitive SLAT tournament and what an incredible night of Netball and Football. Giles Academy, Bourne Academy and Spalding Academy netball teams all finished tied in the top spot, so the final positions all came down to goal difference! Giles came in 3rd based on goal difference, all team players enjoyed the eventful tournament! Congratulations to the football team also who saw some impressive individual efforts and placed in 3rd position on this occasion.



On Tuesday, our Year 11 Business students participated in a workshop led by Boston Borough Council. Students looked at Town planning, sustainability, business and environmental health. There were some excellent ideas expressed in the workshop by our students, who could, in the future, be taking a position at the council to make some positive changes to our local community!

I would like to thank all Year 8 parents and carers who attended the parents evening on Wednesday, the evening was well attended with very positive feedback.

You will have already received a letter regarding our Trust event – Parent Online Safety Workshop which will be held next Wednesday. This is a fantastic opportunity to join an event which ensures we are all fully equipped to understand how to keep our children safe online and importantly keeping up to date in the ever-changing world of challenges our children may be facing online. It would be fantastic for parents to join this important event to enable us all to be educated with the most up-to-date advice and information around the most recent technologies which may be unsafe for our children to use and view. As a parent, I will definitely be joining this event! For details of how to book your place, see the booking link sent to parents via ParentMail.

A promotional banner for a 'Parent Online Safety Event'. The banner has a blue background with a green diagonal stripe at the bottom. On the left, there are several 3D cubes with various social media icons (Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, etc.). The text 'Parent Online Safety Event' is written in white and green. Below it, 'WEDNESDAY 15TH MARCH • 6PM TO 7PM' is written in white. A white starburst graphic on the right says 'CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION'. The Giles Academy logo is in the center, with the tagline 'Protecting our young people from the dangers of social media'. At the bottom right, the motto 'Aspire • Challenge • Achieve' is written in white on the green stripe.

Finally, I would like to remind all parents that on Friday 17th March 2023, Giles Academy are supporting Comic Relief/Red Nose Day with a non-uniform day. Students who are participating in this fundraising event are requested to bring £1 donation to school. The monies raised will be split between Comic Relief and the DEC National Disaster Emergency Fund for the Turkey/Syria Earthquake Appeal.

I hope you all have a fantastic and restful weekend.

Kindest regards,



Miss Katie Belcher

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