

Meole Brace School  
Science College

# ~January Update~



Welcome back after the holidays and may we take this opportunity to wish you a very Happy New Year!

## **School Events and Dates**

### **Year 11 Parents' Evening**

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January – 4.00pm – 7.00pm

## **GCSE Exams**

24 January 9.00am	GCSE Science - Biology (written)
25 January 1.30pm	GCSE Health & Social Care (unit 1)
26 January 9.00am	GCSE Science - Chemistry (written)
30 January 9.00am	YELLIS (all Year 10)
30 January 1.30pm	GCSE Science - Physics (written)

If you are unsure about any of the exams you are due to take this year please do not hesitate to contact school as soon as possible on: (01743) 235961

## **Year 9 Options**

Year 9 students will be asked to choose their options this term for their subjects for KS4.

Pupils will be issued with the options booklet during the Options Assembly during PDC on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2012.

Options Evening will be on **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2012** 6pm in the school hall.  
Completed option forms to form tutors by **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2012**.

## **Progress Review Day ~ Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2012**

The annual **Progress Review Day** will take place at the school on **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2012**. The aim being to enable every pupil to focus on their progress and performance during a 10 minute appointment with their tutor. Parents are welcome to attend the meeting.

Parents' Evenings will continue as usual during the year as an opportunity for you to discuss your child's progress in specific subjects.

We believe it is very important to monitor closely the progress of each student so that we can praise and reward success, and work in partnership with students and yourselves to overcome weaknesses. It is vital that students understand how well they are doing, how we believe they should be doing and how they can improve.

**On Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February there will be no normal lessons** so teachers will have the time they need to see each member of their tutor group individually. All meetings will be held during normal school hours.

We are confident that you and your daughter/son will find the meetings constructive and worthwhile. It is a valuable opportunity for the pupils to evaluate their progress and to realise the benefits that specific adjustments to their work will make.

Further details will be sent home shortly but if you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Mr. S. Pierce, Deputy Head.

## **Half-term**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2012

## **Multicultural Week**

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2012

## **-Student Contacts details-**

### **Absentees/Detention System/Monthly Updates**

If you or your parents/carers change home, work, mobile phone numbers and/or email addresses, please inform the school as soon as possible. We cannot contact you if we do not have your details!

## **Website**

Please also look at our school's website which gives you lots of information about the school, student information, community links and much more, go to: [www.meolebrace.com](http://www.meolebrace.com)

## **Uniform**

Uniform is available during any school day between 9.00am & 3.10pm.  
Please come to Reception and ask for Mrs. Hyde

## ~MEOLE FORUM~

### A REMINDER that

### WE WOULD LIKE SECOND HAND UNIFORM and P.E. KITS

### ~ Especially girls trainers for the PE Dept. IN ALL SIZES~

Please could you have a sort out and send in any items that you think we may be able to sell on.

Please ensure that the items are clean and wearable!  
Please do not send them into the charity shops as they are just recycled!  
Let us re-use it rather than land fill!

If you are unsure about the condition of any item please include it as we can then opt to **recycle** these items if need be.

We continue to collect uniforms for re-sale, in all sizes –  
including Lower School and Upper School and P.E. Kit.

Collection baskets for the uniforms together with a sign have been set up permanently  
in the Office next to reception.

Once again, many thanks to the Parents that have already sent in used uniforms  
to be sold second hand.

If you would like to buy Second Hand Uniform please state what you would like to buy, how many items and what size. Please include your **name, telephone no. and mobile no.** in an envelope marked '**Request for Second Hand Uniform**' to Reception!

Any request for Second Hand Items will then be forward to myself and I will contact you about costs and collection, if it is available.

A huge **thanks** to the parents who have sent in the **Uniforms / P.E. kits** to sell on to other parents.

### In 2011 we raised £ 300.00

for the PTA /Friends of Meole Brace School Funds.  
This money will be used to fund additional activities for the pupils.  
This has been a great success both financially and environmentally!

Thank you for your continued support.  
Patricia Paterson and Helen Ashton

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