

Dear Parents / Carers

At the time of writing I am in my fourth week here at Ellowes Hall and I have loved every minute of it! The support that all the students have given me by popping in for a chat at break / lunch or engaging in conversation as I visit lessons has been amazing. I would like to thanks them and also parents / carers who have met with me, chatted on the phone or who have provided support to staff in the school over the last four weeks.

As you can see from the newsletter, there has been so much happening since I started and I am proud of all our students who have engaged in life at Ellowes Hall.

I am aware that due to restrictions over the last few years there are parents who have yet to see Ellowes Hall in action. I would therefore like to invite you to come into school and Tuesday 14th February for tour of the school and to meet with me. I will send a letter detailing how to book for those of you who are available and would like to attend.

Finally, at the end of the newsletter you will see a list of key dates for the next half term so you can plan ahead.

I look forward to meeting with some of you very soon.

Mr K Rogers Headteacher

Year 10 BTEC Dance Trip.

On Thursday 19th January some of our Year 10 BTEC Dance group had the fantastic opportunity to take part in the Black Country Dance Hub's Careers Event held at the Walsall Performance Hub. The day involved workshops with professional dance artists, attending a seminar about career pathways in Dance and the opportunity to speak to local and national Dance Institutions and Companies. It was an inspiring experience for our students and their commitment was outstanding!



Uganda Fundraiser.

From our cake sale we have raised over £183.11 which is amazing. As part of this project, we would also like to be able to donate some equipment to the school in Uganda. One of our main Invictus values is "every day in every way our students come first' and we would like to extend that to the students of the



Attendance news.

Our 100% attendance rewards are running for 4 weeks between 14th January and 10th February. Four students with 100% attendance from each year group will be in the running for the £10 gift vouchers which will be handed out in our end of half-term rewards assemblies. Good luck.

Last week 712 students of our students got 100% attendance and no negatives on Inspire.



Well done **7NKH** you have the highest attendance in school: **95.83%**

100%

98%

96%

95%

94%

90%

85%

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Days missed.

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an academic year

an academic year

BEST chance of success

School days missed in an

7 School days missed in an

10 School days missed in

11 School days missed in

20 School days missed in

an academic year. 4 weeks

29 School days missed in

an academic year. 5 weeks

Healthy Dishes House Competition.

Ruby won our feel-good dishes competition for a superb healthy dish that she made entirely by herself, definitely a future chef in the making! Her prize was some chocolates and a book of her choice from the vending machine! She chose Malorie Blackman's Noughts and Crosses... great choice! Well done Ruby, we are all very proud of you.



Sporting congratulations.

Well done to our Year 8 Basketball team! 10-6 win against Kingswinford Academy in their first game of the season.

A brilliant performance, keep this up gentleman.





- Year 10 mocks begin Monday 30th January
- Year 11 parents evening Thursday 9th February
- Open morning Tuesday 14th February
- Year 7 / 8 Valentines disco Wednesday 15th February
- Year 11 revision information evening for parents Thursday 16th February
- Year 7 11 individual photos Friday 17th February
- Break up for half term Friday 17th February
- Return to school Monday 27th February
- Year 11 group trips to Carding Mill Valley 6th, 7th and 10th March
- Duke of Edinburgh Bronze award training 8th 10th March
- Duke of Edinburgh Solver award training Thursday 16th March
- Break up for Easter Friday 31st March
- Return to school for start of the Summer term Tuesday 18th April