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THE BULWELL ACADEMY

**Opportunities
for
success.**



**Principal's
Weekly**
with Mr Nash



The half-term break already seems a distant memory after another busy week at The Bulwell Academy.

Year 11s are busy preparing for their practice exams, which start on 22 November. We have created the Success Hub to support them in their efforts. Chrome Books are provided for every student and there is also a host of revision materials, together with staff support and refreshments. It is open Monday to Friday from 8 to 8.30am and 3 to 4pm. I would encourage every Year 11 to use it and let us know if there is anything else we can do to support.

Creative Education Trust has a [new regional director Jason Howard](#), a former Ofsted inspector who is supporting the academy in delivering a world class [curriculum](#). The Trust-wide curriculum has been heralded by Ofsted as strong and the work completed on it by our middle and senior leaders has been welcomed as really positive. My thanks to the team as we strive to give our students the best possible education outcomes.

The curriculum changes are complimented by a range of different initiatives that are also helping raise our game. One example is our preparation for the Creative Education Trust's annual Shakespeare Festival. Budding actors from the Academy had the chance to work with theatre director Katie Lewis this week. She has previously worked with the National Theatre and the Royal Shakespeare Company and delivered a masterclass to students from different year groups.

These are the sort of inspiring, potentially life-changing opportunities we are delighted to offer our students. Colleagues say it was wonderful to see students work so cohesively to create some beautiful interpretations of Macbeth. The festival will have its finale at Abbeyfield School in Northamptonshire and I know our students will do a fantastic job of representing the Academy.



**THE BULWELL
Boxing Academy**

A boost to your
confidence, self-esteem,
fitness and self-discipline

**SIGN UP NOW:
LIMITED SPACES**

MASTERCLASS

Talking of opportunities, two new extra-curricular programmes started this week.

The Bulwell Boxing Academy is designed to boost confidence, fitness and self-discipline. Participants will be expected to attend four training sessions a week and, if they do, will be able to attend a boxing masterclass led by European, Commonwealth and British boxing champion, Ekow Essuman. More details are available from Raising Standards Mentor, Mr Elland, at michael.elland@bulwellacademy.org.uk. The parental consent form can be found here: [BOXING ACADEMY: Letter and Parental Consent Form](#)

**THE BULWELL ACADEMY
Changemakers**

Tuesdays & Thursdays
2.50 to 3.50 pm



The Bulwell Academy Changemakers - 'Our Town' Community Learning - is designed to empower students to make real changes to issues in our community, starting with sustainable food production. Students will learn practical skills in horticulture alongside engaging and supporting the community.

They will play their part in active citizenship and participants will be expected to attend two sessions a week. These sessions will include a theoretical and practical session. More details on this activity from Mr Lowther at jason.lowther@bulwellacademy.org.uk. The parental consent form is here [CHANGEMAKERS: Letter and Parental Consent Form](#).

So, as you can see, quite a first week back!

Looking forward to seeing what this week brings!