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Principal Letter

Our weekly letter - bringing you the Academies current week's news, as well as helpful information and reminders for future events.

This letter is available in different languages upon request

Dear Parent / Carer...

I hope this letter finds you well. What a week we have had!

CoPA rated **GOOD** by OFSTED – July 2023



On Monday, we were able to share our OFSTED report with the community. The day started with sign fitters fixing new signs to the front gate and the back of the school. All staff received a "CoPA is Good" t-shirt which they were asked to keep secret.



The community celebrations started when students were treated to music on the field at lunchtime. During Period 5, I delivered an online assembly explaining that CoPA had moved its OFSTED grading from Inadequate to Good in just 18 months. Whilst I was online, hundreds of balloons were placed around the school in all the corridors.

Classes came out onto the field in the warm sunshine, starting with Year 11, collecting balloons on the way and assembling under the large banner. All Year 7 students were provided with t-shirts to wear.



When the whole school was assembled, Mr Paul flew his drone into the air, confetti cannons sent silver confetti into the air and students released biodegradable balloons. All students were then given sweets to complete the celebrations.



If you have not yet read the report, I would encourage you to do so:

<https://www.cityofpeterboroughacademy.org/attachments/download.asp?file=2209&type=pdf>

Year 5/6 Open Evening and Parent Tours

We held our annual Year 5 and 6 Open Evening on Tuesday this week and were excited to show off our lovely Academy to over 200 visitors. Many of our student community came back to school in the evening to either demonstrate in classrooms, act as tour guides, or interpret for non-English speaking parents. We are grateful to parents who ensured students had the permission to attend and to the students who were a credit to themselves.

Tazhan, one of our head students gave an inspirational presentation to a packed audience followed by the other student leaders interviewing six Year 7 students about their first weeks at CoPA. Despite having been in the school for just over two weeks, they showed no sign of nerves. Students then stood up and welcomed parents in 7 different languages.

A big well done and thank you to all the students who took part!



CoPA Sixth Form Partnership with The Peterborough School

In 2022, as part of their 100th birthday celebrations, The Peterborough School forged a partnership with CoPA and committed to sponsoring up to five of our students per year to study in their sixth form.

Now in the third year of this partnership, Kerry (pictured left), was one of three successful applicants last year. Kerry, along with two others, applied for the sponsorship in December, got through the interview process, and gained excellent GCSE results which has allowed her to join the Peterborough School sixth form studying A levels.

Students of the Week

Our first students of the week were nominated by staff at the end of last week.
Students of the Week this week are:

English	Student R (Year 10)	Excellent start to the year and a mature attitude to English.
Maths	Marley-Jay (Year 10)	For excellence in Mathematics and for receiving the highest number of reward points in maths this week.
Humanities	Student E (Year 11)	Excellent conduct and effort during fieldwork.
Science	Tristan F (Year 10)	Excellent start to Year 10; focused and positive.
Performance	Student K (Year 11)	Industrious work ethic in Sport.
Spanish	Student C (Year 8)	Lovely and calm, gets on with their work and takes pride in what they're doing – a truly keen student!
EAL	Student J (Year 8)	Exceptional start to the year in EAL.
Year 7	Student J	Fantastic transition to secondary school. Always smiling, loves learning and going to club.
Year 8	Student V	Wonderful start to the year with the most Golden Tickets in the whole of Year 8 so far.
Year 9	Student A	Making an excellent start to the year - having a mature approach.
Year 10	Alisha Parker	Super start to GCSE courses, showing real engagement and effort.
Year 11	Emily W	Securing a fantastic start to the year – through motivation and determination.

Congratulations to all of them!

MacMillan Bake Sale: Friday 27 September

The Inclusion department are hosting a cake sale again this year where all the proceeds will go to the MacMillan Cancer charity. Cakes will be available for the community at breaktime at a small cost.



And finally...

If you or someone you know would like to come and work for us, we have several vacancies available, both teaching and non-teaching. Vacancies can be found here: [VACANCIES](#)

In addition, we will be holding our second recruitment event on Thursday 3 October between 3.30 – 5.00pm where staff and students will provide tours and information on current and future roles available.

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours faithfully

Mrs N Treacy
Principal

