

## Bassingbourn Village College

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## Dear Parents and Carers,

We have finally reached the end of meteorological winter and today has seen the first signs of warmer weather that is hopefully on its way. I always think that the first signs of Spring signify a visible shift in an academic year and this week has felt like one of those moments. Last night I was privileged to attend the Year 10 Drama mock exam performance. The talent on show was exceptional and the way our students tackled some very difficult themes was both sobering and inspirational, well done to all involved.

We started the week with a whole school assembly. I reminded students of our expectations as we have a real push this term on embedding the changes we have made so far. The real focus for this half-term is in the classrooms and I am sure students have noticed an increased presence of senior staff in their lessons to see how they are getting on. These visits will continue throughout the half-term and are essential for us to continue to improve as a College community. One thing noted from the classroom tours, is that a number of students are still coming to school without pencil cases. Having the right equipment for every lesson is really important to ensure learning time is maximised and I would appreciate your support in ensuring your child is coming in everyday with the equipment needed. If you have any questions or concerns about this do please speak to their mentor in the first instance.

Finally this week I would like to share with you the launch of our new website. This is a key part of our communication approach with you as families and I do encourage you to have a look if you have not already done so. The address has changed slightly and now can be found here: <a href="https://bassingbournvc.org/">https://bassingbournvc.org/</a>

We look forward to another busy week with Year 10 parent's evenings and a trip to Spain coming up.

Have a lovely and relaxing weekend.

Regards,

Mr Stoneham Principal

## **Key dates:**

5th March - Year 9 immunisations 20th March - Year 8 Options Evening 25th March - Curriculum day 26th March - Year 7 and 11 photos 4th April - End of Term