



20th September 2024

Dear Parent / Carer

**Parent Forum – Tuesday 1st October 2024
for Parents & Carers of students in Year 8 and above
Jubilee Hall from 5.50pm until 7.30pm**

We are excited to announce the introduction of regular Parent Forum events at The Buckingham School.

Our Parent Forum will serve as a platform where parents and carers can voice their opinions, share ideas and contribute to the decision-making processes that impact our school community. The Forum will address important issues within the school, such as behaviour, procedures and policies. All parents and carers are welcome to attend and share their views - your input really matters and can influence what happens within the school.

The Forum will meet every half term throughout the school year. Parents and carers of students in Year 8 and above are invited to the first Forum on Tuesday 1 October. Going forward, all parents are invited to participate. This approach provides our new Year 7 parents with the opportunity to become familiar to school routines, policies, and other important information during the first term before participating.

Each meeting will have a structured agenda, with the first agenda as follows:

Parent Forum Agenda	
5.50pm	Arrive and refreshments
6.00pm	Welcome and Update – Mr A McGinnes, Headteacher
6.10pm	Discussion Point – Establishing a culture of excellent student behaviour
6.35pm	Discussion Point – Teaching our young people to safeguard themselves inside and outside of school, and online
7.00pm	Discussion Point – How the school supports students to succeed academically
7.25pm	AOB to include opportunity for parents to suggest future topics for discussion
7.30pm	Parent Forum closes
Friends of Buckingham School (FOBS) Meeting	
7.30pm	FOBS meeting
8.00pm	FOBS meeting closes

The Friends of Buckingham (FOBS) will be present to provide refreshments and will hold their regular meeting immediately following the Parent Forum. FOBS play a crucial role in focused fundraising efforts and initiatives that benefit the school. This event presents a fantastic opportunity for parents to connect with the Friends and contribute to their vital work.

If you would like to attend our Parent Forum on Tuesday 1 October, simply complete the google form, shown here: <https://forms.gle/8RzGBLpbfz1zcpkBA>

Thank you for your continued support to our school community and I hope to see you on Tuesday 1st October.

Best wishes,

Mr A McGinnes
Headteacher

The Buckingham School is committed to ensure that every student should have the opportunity to attend school activities/obtain equipment, regardless of their financial circumstances. As such, it may be possible to subsidise those students who would otherwise be unable to attend trips/purchase items. Please feel free to write in confidence to finance@buckinghamschool.org, if you wish to seek assistance, or obtain more information about Pupil Premium funding.