



# UNSWORTH ACADEMY



Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Dear parents/carers,

Your Friday update is via letter this week.

On last Friday's video the Head Girl, Head Boy and I spoke to you about acts of remembrance around school. On Sunday, the three of us, alongside Deputy Head Girl and Deputy Head Boy, attended the service at Unsworth pole. Our four most senior student leaders laid a wreath and Matilda actually spoke as part of the service. They represented Unsworth Academy fabulously. Well done all four.

Continuing the theme of community, I am delighted to tell you that we were represented by a group of Y10 and Y11 students this week at the Bury Faith Forum. Our own Academy Councillor, Mr Liaqat Ali, chairs the forum and he was delighted to welcome our students, alongside students from many Bury schools, to consider world faiths together with the aim of bringing further harmony and cohesion to the wider Bury community. This feels more important than ever given the terrible recent human suffering in Israel and Gaza. It feels appropriate to highlight that support is available to students in school who are feeling affected by news and images of the conflict. Our pastoral, counselling and staff teams have been, and can continue to be, approached for support.

Preparations for Year 10 work experience week are going well. Thank you to those parents/carers that have completed the electronic form with placement information. So far, we have 78 placements that have been received and sent off to have the necessary H&S checks carried out. Lots of learners are informing us that they have had their placement confirmed, but just need to submit the electronic form back to school. If your child has received confirmation to this effect, please can you complete the electronic form at your earliest convenience. The link to this can be found in the parent information letter that Mrs Cullum emailed home. The letter can also be found on the school website under the Curriculum/Careers tab. The deadline date for confirming placements is Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2023.

I'd like to finish the Friday update with news of our latest Headteacher Award. Lily Moon in Year 8 has received the award this week for outstanding work in textiles. Mrs Lawlor nominated Lily describing "continuous self-driven brilliance". Well done Lily.  
#Culture - Individual Ownership #Value - Be excellent.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Yours faithfully,

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