

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2016

Dear Parents and Carers

It is the end of another term. Even though this has been a short half term it has been as busy as ever. To avoid making this a long letter please refer to my blog: <http://tinyurl.com/principalblog1> where I attempt to document the main highlights of the past four weeks. The latest blog is due on the website by 24<sup>th</sup> March.

One piece of very important information is regarding our catering providers. Much to our surprise (and with only five months of a five year contract left) they gave us notice to terminate the contract this Thursday. We are now tendering for new caterers and, as an interim measure, we have managed to find a company who is able to supply us with ready prepared cold meals and sandwiches. The meals, which will be available from 11am until 2pm daily, are cold pasta dishes or salads such as caesar salads. There is a vegan option and subway style baguettes. Prices vary between £1.45 and £2. Please note we are unable to provide breakfast or a hot meal until we have contracted new caterers.

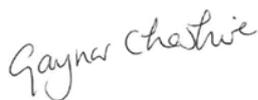
I would like to extend my thanks to our catering staff who have worked so hard for BOA. I am sorry they have suddenly found themselves out of work and wish them all the best for the future.

Next half term is back to seven weeks. It sees the start of both the GCSE and A Level examinations so we will be working at full-tilt to maximise student grades in August. BTEC qualifications can carry on until the end of June. No student will be signed off unless they have secured the maximum grades per unit.

One last reminder is that BOA will close at 12.15pm this Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March and students will return on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April at 9am.

I hope the weather is kind to us all over the Easter holiday and I look forward to seeing you in the summer term.

Yours sincerely



**Gaynor Cheshire**  
Principal