

28th June 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian

In 2024/25 Bridgwater and Taunton College Trust will be moving away from the 'SIMS' system it currently uses to hold student, parent and staff information to a cloud-based system called 'Arbor'.

This represents a huge challenge as it affects everyone who works in all schools within the BTC Trust.

We have scheduled training for staff to minimise disruption, therefore, on 7th January 2025 there will be an additional INSET day to allow for all Trust staff to be involved in training on 'Arbor', before the boys return to school following the Christmas break. Therefore, Brymore will have an Inset Day on both the 6th and 7th January 2025 and the Year 11 Consultation will continue to take place on both days, using SchoolCloud. Boarders will be expected to return between 6.00pm - 9.00pm on Tuesday 7th January 2025 and out-boarders are expected to be in as normal on Wednesday 8th January 2025. The term dates have been updated and are on the MyEd app and our website.

In the meantime, there will be no changes to the management of your child's data, and your SIMS parent app will continue to be the way you access information until approximately December of this year. We will write to you with further information in due course.

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher