

E-Bulletin

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Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Carers,

Last week was a lovely week in the Academy which is now full of life with the return of all year groups to the building. Students are now used to our new routines and ways of working and have settled in with their new teaching. We are constantly reviewing our new policies and our Health and Safety committee now meet weekly. Lessons are really focused and it has been lovely to see all of the relationships in our family strengthening after the time apart. We also celebrated the Jewish festival of Rosh Hashanah during PSHE and we would like to wish the Jewish members of our family Shana Tova. שנה טובה.

End of the Academy day

During the school day we are doing everything that we can to minimise the interaction of our school bubbles, including staggered lunches and separated lunch spaces. Each year group enters and exits the building through different doors, however, with only one school gate at the end of the day the area can become congested with students waiting for friends or siblings to be dismissed. We are not allowing students to wait at the gate and if they need to wait for siblings they should arrange an alternative meeting spot a little further from the gate. We know that briefly walking past another student outdoors is low risk, but we want to do everything we can to minimise contact. It is exceptionally important that students practise social distancing as much as they can on the way to school and on the way home, taking into the account the limitations of public transport. Students should not walk in large groups or go to the park in large groups where they may not take the precautions that they do in the Academy.

It has also been a pleasure to receive some positive contact from the community on the high level of mask wearing on the buses of our students. Thank you to our students for taking their responsibility to the community seriously.

Microsoft Teams

Please be aware that from this year we will no longer be using the Show My Homework website for setting homework. During home learning last year our students have been trained in how to use Microsoft Teams and from now on all homework will be set there, which allows for continuity if we need to resume home learning for any bubble this year. The Year 7s have been trained on how to use this in the last few weeks. To find out more about how to access Microsoft Teams please see our guide [here](#).

Colder Weather

With temperatures dipping later this week, we would like to remind families that our windows and doors will remain open to provide good ventilation to keep staff and students safe. All students should have an Academy jumper or plain v-neck black jumper to help them stay warm as coats are not to be worn inside. If you have any issues purchasing uniform please email your Family Leader.

It is important that students are outside in the fresh air with good ventilation as much as possible at break and lunch time. We will only implement weat break/lunch plans in the event of very heavy downpours. For light showers we will still encourage students to be outside and therefore I is important that students bring with them a warm and waterproof coat daily as the weather becomes more unpredictable entering autumn.

Thank you to all of our parents how have completed our home school agreement and our IT survey, if you have not yet done so the surveys can be found on the below links.

[Remote Learning & IT Access Survey](#)
[Home Academy Agreement](#)

Ms C Green
Principal

STAR OF THE WEEK

Year 7 : Family

The whole year group for the great start they have made in the Academy.

Year 8: Love

Hazel Cotter for making the new students feel welcome.

Year 9: Excellence

Reon Graham- Well done and congratulations on an amazing start to year 9 with huge amounts of maturity. I have received lots of positive reports about Reon from PE to Maths, and it has been a delight to hear. Keep up the good work Reon!

Year 10: Determination

Paulette Shah for making an amazing start back to the academy and settling in.

Year 11: Determination

Fedyia Robertson & Alexandra Cornwall for their hard work on Hegarty Maths last week. Lots of time spent revising showing dedication to their studies in year 11.

Sports Star

Alice Clarke, Louisa Dodimead, Erin O'Connor, & Jackson Stevens for effort and excellence in the cross country this week.

NOTICES

WHEN TO BE IN SCHOOL

As cold season descends upon us, it is important to know when students can be in the Academy and when they need to follow Covid-19 guidance on self isolation. Please [click here](#) for a comprehensive guide on what to do if you are unwell. **A persistent cough can be defined as coughing a lot for more than 1 hour, or 3 or more episodes within 24 hours.**

LATE DETENTIONS

Please note: late detentions will resume again this week.

DINER MENU– [click here to view](#).