

E-Bulletin

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Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Carers,

In the middle of this second lockdown, I wanted to write to you all to say a heartfelt thanks for your support over the last term and during this time of increased anxiety. Thank you for trusting us with your child(ren) and ensuring that they attend well. Our attendance remains high and the students are incredibly motivated to do well. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our Academy staff who have been so dedicated throughout this time. Whilst managing our new systems with regard to COVID they are also working hard to ensure that we continually improve as an Academy to provide an excellent education to our students.

Gate Safety

Could I please remind parents that wherever possible not to drive into the school driveway or to park on the yellow lines/zig zags on the road. Due to COVID, understandably we have many more students picked up at the end of the day, however, this is resulting in the local area being unsafe for our students. We have discussed with students about road safety and would appreciate if you could reinforce this message at home (especially regarding the dangers of using headphones whilst crossing the roads).

We have also received some complaints from our residents regarding engines running whilst parents are waiting to pick up students. This is impacting the air quality both for our students and our neighbours, therefore, could I ask that you kindly ensure your engine is not left running.

Progress Reports

Over the coming weeks you will receive your progress reports for your students. Please be aware that these provide a snap shot of progress so far and that real learning and progress occurs over months not weeks. We will be in contact with any student we are concerned about regarding progress but please do get in contact with your child's mentor if you need to discuss the report. We will be holding virtual parents evening's next half term to discuss further.

Yours sincerely,

Ms C Green
Principal

NOTICES

House Names

We are delighted to announce the winning names of our new Houses. You can view the short three minute video [here](#) for the big reveal.

Parents Evening

As we approach the end of the Autumn Term without any indication as to when we can revert back to normal operations in school, we wanted to reassure you that we are currently making plans to hold the parents' evenings published on our website calendar virtually. It is important to us that we hold these to continue to work together to support our students through their education; once we have more information on how these will work we will update you.

Masks

Please ensure your child has a good quality mask to wear with in the Academy on them daily. A number of students are wearing disposable masks which are not designed for prolonged wear throughout the day, meaning they are breaking and requesting further disposable masks from the Academy. This is not environmentally sustainable and is also costly. Many thanks.

STAR OF THE WEEK

Year 7 : Excellence

Amy Ramasawmy for continuing quietly doing the right thing.

Year 8: Determination

Aaron Dodd for showing resilience through adversity.

Year 9: Love

Henry Parker who showed a lot of kindness and maturity towards his friend when he was injured. Well done and Thank you.

Year 10: Politeness

All of 10SJB for showing maturity and making their teacher proud when their Mentor was absent running GCSE exams

Year 11: Determination & Family

Harrison Townsend for all his hard work in lessons and supporting his friends.

Sports Star

Calvin Brider for getting 98% on his first GCSE PE assessment.



Save the Date

Christmas Lunch

Unfortunately, we will not be able to run the Christmas Lunch as a sit down ticketed celebration event as normal. However, we will still have a date for a student Christmas Lunch on **Wednesday 16th December** which can be purchased on the day as per normal lunch service.

Christmas Jumper Day

Join us on Friday 11th December and wear your Christmas Jumper in support of Save the Children. Students can pay £1 to wear a Christmas jumper for the day. We are encouraging the use of sustainable jumpers and there will be a prize for the best re-used or home decorated jumper.





Design a Christmas Bauble Competition

For this Year Group Competition the Art Department would like you to design a Christmas Bauble

Using the worksheet provided create your festive design

The winning designs from each year group will be transferred onto large 3D baubles and hung from the schools Christmas Tree

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Every Student who enters will receive 4 merits for themselves just for submitting a festive bauble design!

2nd Place: 9 merits

3rd Place: 8 merits

4th Place: 7 merits



1st Place winners from each Yr Group will be awarded 10 merits and have their designs transferred on to a large bauble to be displayed on the schools Christmas Tree