

Friday, 10th September

Dear Parent/Carer,

Thanks to everyone for their support in ensuring a positive start to the academic year. It takes a great deal of work throughout the summer from cleaning staff, site staff, builders, teachers and support staff to ensure that the site is clean, tidy and ready for students to return to. This year was no exception, and it has been fantastic to see the effort come to fruition and students having a hugely positive return.

Attendance

This is a huge focus for us this year, and we have had a good week to start. Well done to those who have attended every day. In particular, a huge congratulations go out to year 9, who have recorded 98% of attendance throughout the first week back. We need everyone playing their part – students, parents, carers and Academy staff – to ensure we hit our target of 97%.

The year group league table for the first week is below, and there is some work to do for year 11!

Year 7 = 96.5%

Year 8 = 97.5%

Year 9 = 98%

Year 10 = 97.5%

Year 11 = 95.5%

Particular shout outs to Sara I (Y9), Noorfatimah I (Y11) and Shaun B (Y8)!

Year 7

We have had almost 200 students start with us this week, taking their first steps into their TCA journey...and they have done an excellent job. Well done to you all (and your parents/carers), and I hope very much that you have enjoyed your first week. Remember our rules – be nice and work hard – and you'll do tremendously well!

Punctuality

We have had an extremely positive start regarding punctuality. However, I would be very grateful if you could remind your child that they need to be through the top or bottom gates at 8.35 prompt as this is when the gates are locked. You will be notified of this if they are unable to manage this as they will have a 30 minute after school detention.

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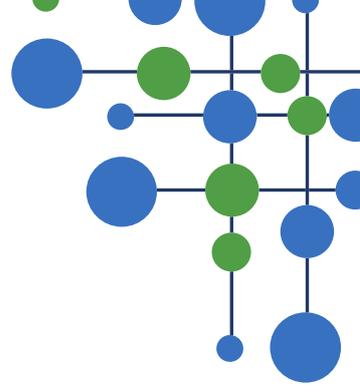
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Year 11 Period 7 sessions

Just a reminder to all parents/carers (as students have already been informed) that year 11 P7 sessions will start on Monday, 13th September. These are hugely beneficial intervention sessions and take place between 2.45pm and 3.45pm every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday for all year 11 students. The sessions are compulsory, and I expect to see 100% attendance on Monday.

Uniform and equipment

On the whole, uniform has been excellent during this first week. However, those students who haven't quite got it right have been given a letter informing them that this needs to be sorted for Monday morning otherwise detentions will be issued. If you need any support with this, please contact your child's Student Manager.

Remote Learning

For any students isolating due to COVID-19, remote learning will be available from MS Teams as it was during the last academic year. If you or your child need any support with this, please visit the Covid-19 Education section of our website or contact your child's Student Manager.

Double parking and considerate driving

The annual plea, please, for students to walk home rather than get collected wherever possible, to reduce the volume of traffic around the site at the end of the day. Double parking on St Michael's Mount, and inconsiderate parking and driving around the Academy site, cause huge issues for community members. If you would like to collect your child on an afternoon at 2.45pm, please arrange a place slightly further away for them to meet you.

Have a lovely weekend – thanks for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Burton
Headteacher