

4th December 2014

Dear Parents/Carers

As the Autumn term draws to a close, I would like to thank our students and staff for their fantastic commitment, teamwork and energy. The latest newsletter showcases their work and I hope you enjoy sharing the many successes achieved.

This year's pantomime is 'Enchanted' showing on the 9th and 10th December (details on the Academy website), I do hope you will be able to join us for a fun-packed evening.

Staff and students will be supporting Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 12th December, with all proceeds going to the Save the Children charity (minimum £1 donation).

May I remind you not to bring cars onto the Academy site when dropping off or collecting your children. Please also take care when parking outside the Academy. We have had a number of occasions when parking and general movement around the turning circle has put our children's safety at risk. The designated drop off area should be used and not the areas marked with double yellow lines. Traffic enforcement officers regularly patrol the area in unmarked cars and have already issued penalty notices. We understand that space is limited, however, we need your support to ensure the safety of all our children.

The Academy will close for the Christmas holidays at 2.05pm on Friday 12th December and re-open for staff and students on Monday 5th January 2015. Students will need to clear their lockers, ensuring no perishable items are left during the Christmas break.

On Tuesday 16th December we will be holding a 'Lost Property Day' for parents and carers from 10am until 1pm.

A reminder that our Twitter and Facebook accounts are updated daily with all events, news stories and information from the Academy, including action to take during adverse weather conditions.

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A list of key dates for the Spring Term 2015 is provided below:

- Parents' Consultation Day (Years 11 and 13): Thursday 8th January (times to be confirmed)
- Internal Examinations (Year 7): 19th January – 23rd January
- INSET DAY (Academy closed to all students) : Monday 26th January
- Parents' Consultation Day (Years 7 and 9): Thursday 12th February (times to be confirmed)
- Half Term Holidays: 16th February – 20th February
- Sixth Form Drop in Evening: Wednesday 4th March
- Parents' Consultation Day (Years 8, 11 and 13): Tuesday 10th March (times to be confirmed)
- Pathways Evening: Wednesday 18th March
- Non Business Dress Day: Friday 20th March
- Internal Examinations (Year 8): 23rd March – 26th March
- Sponsors' Dinner: Thursday 26th March
- INSET DAY (Academy closed to all students): Friday 27th March
- Easter Holidays: 30th March – 10th April 2015

With best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

Yours sincerely

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