



December 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you and your families are well. As we draw to the end of a busy term we would like to thank you for your ongoing support and share with you the details and arrangements for the end and start of term.

We still have a number of events and activities planned including festive attire and Winter Wonderland and we will keep you updated on these.

### Last Day

The Academy and College will finish at 12.20pm on the last day of the Autumn term, Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December, **with the exception of Year 11 students who have not completed the required NEA work.**

We are allowing our students to come to school in non-uniform / non-dress code on this day. However, as usual we would ask that students refrain from dyeing their hair or wearing items which would pose a health and safety risk (e.g. high heeled shoes, crocs, long false nails). We also ask that students are appropriately dressed.

The bus company are aware and will provide buses at this earlier time. However, if you wish your son or daughter to remain at the Academy until the usual time of 3.00pm please contact their Head of Year so that we can make the necessary arrangements for them.

We will be extending break time to enable students to eat before leaving.

### Start of Term

Students return to the **Academy on Tuesday 7th January at the usual time** – gates will close at 8.30 am. Sixth form students will return to **College on 7th January at 10.00 am**, with the exception of **Year 12 BTEC Science students who have an exam and need to be at the College for 8.35 am.**

At the start of each half term we run a range of activities and tasks as part of our reboot at the Academy and an opportunity for students to be reminded of our rules and expectations, to reflect on our ethos and values, refresh key skills including revision and note taking to support them in accessing their learning.

Please lookout for the latest edition of our parent bulletin next week which includes lots of useful and interesting information about what has been happening at the Academy and College.

As always if you have any concerns, queries or questions please contact us.

Finally, we wish you all a happy and healthy Christmas and New Year.

Yours faithfully,

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