

Our ref: OFA/ABS/TC

July 2016

Dear Parent/Guardian

As we approach the end of term and another year, I would like to thank you for your unwavering support. I would also like to keep you informed of some key dates and information.

### **Monday 18 July: Sports Day at Hingleys**

The annual academy sports day will take place on Monday 18 July, weather permitting. Students will be attending lessons period 1 and 2 as usual and will be expected to wear full academy uniform. Morning break will be extended which will give students time to eat their food. If the weather is good, please send your child with a hat and sun cream. Following break, students will be escorted down to Hingleys Playing Fields and the competition will begin at midday. The day is due to finish by 3pm and all students will be dismissed from Hingleys, unless they are usually picked up from the academy. If you would prefer to pick your child up from the academy at 4pm, as per a usual Monday, please complete and return the attached slip to your child's form tutor. If we do not receive a response we will assume they are to be dismissed from sports day.

If the weather is poor, we will have to cancel sports day because of the sports hall renovation. If this is the case we will revert to a normal academy day and students will be dismissed at 4pm from the academy. If we need to cancel sports day we will let you know via text message and social media. Please check the website and Facebook page.

### **Shoes for September**

Please be reminded that all students need to be in black shoes, that can be polished, at all times. Could you please bear this in mind when replacing shoes during the summer holiday. It is extremely frustrating when students attend the academy in expensive trainers but do not have a pair of shoes. If you need any support, please do not hesitate to contact us.

### **Parking at the end of the academy day**

Please be sensitive to the needs of our neighbours when collecting students from the academy. The smaller side streets house elderly and vulnerable neighbours who need to access their cars and homes. To ease the pressure on Wrights Lane we will be opening the Waggon Street entrance each afternoon from September.

### **Bikes to school**

It is really pleasing that so many of our students choose the healthy option and ride bikes to the academy. However, we have been made aware of a small minority riding their bikes unsafely in the community, without due care and attention. We have spoken to parents of the repeat offenders and those lads are no longer allowed to bike to the academy. Please can you re-iterate our concerns and ensure your children ride safely. The last thing any of us want is a child injured or a tragic accident.

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**Friday 22 July - End of Term:** Students will be dismissed at 12.15pm. It will be a non-uniform, usual arrangement of £1 per family.

Details of the return to the academy in September are as follows:

**Monday 5 September:** Academy closed to students, staff training day.

**Tuesday 6 September:** Academy opens at 8.30am for year 7 and year 12 only.

**Wednesday 7 September:** Academy opens for all students at 8.30am.

The full academy calendar for 2016/17 is on the academy website.

Yours faithfully



Andrew Burns  
Principal

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Please return to form tutor.

Student Name: ..... Form: .....

I would like to collect my child from the academy at 4pm following sports day.

Signed: ..... (parent/guardian)

