



“Be Inspired & Achieve Together”

Thursday 31st March 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Year 12 Arrangements

Thank you to Year 12 students for your hard work this term and to parents for your continued support. Next term students and parents will receive mock exam results, latest predicted grades and the end of year tutor report.

Our priority at the start of next term is to ensure all of our students are learning effectively and making good progress so that they are ready to make competitive applications to University or employment. It is important that students continue to engage fully with learning and our staff will focus on supporting Year 12 students in three key areas:

1. Their welfare, wellbeing, and personal development
2. Their learning and progress
3. Their preparation for University or employment

Our clear expectation throughout Year 12 has been that students are required to be in school at all times between 8.20am and 3.15pm and to follow the normal routines and timings of the School day. All students should attend all lessons and guidance sessions. By being in school most of the time students benefit from structure and daily routines as well as enhanced learning opportunities.

However, students are now making the transition into Year 13 and preparing for the greater independence they will have at University or in employment. As such we are introducing the following changes:

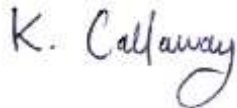
- Students who meet the below criteria will have **earned autonomy** and will be able to study from home if they choose at set times and for set periods of the Academy day
 1. 96% or higher attendance and good punctuality
 2. Good effort grade descriptors across all subjects
- Leaving the site between these times or arriving later than 8.20am is dependent on students meeting the above criteria. Working from home is not an entitlement but is based on overall attendance and effort.
- Parents will need to agree (in writing, signed and dated) for their son/daughter to work from home at these times to ensure we know where students are and that they are safe.
- If parents agree students will then be able to sign in and out of the academy via the turnstile gate at set times and for set periods of the academy day.
- Students with Earned autonomy should arrive and depart once only in the day. Students are not permitted to come and go as they please. They should either be in school studying or at home studying during the times of the school day.

- ***Once we have parental consent student lanyards will be activated and they will sign in and out via the wall mounted iPad in the Sixth Form centre (Sign in App).***
- Students with a lesson period 1 should continue to arrive at 8.20am via the community gate and go straight to their period 1 lesson where a register will be taken.
- Students who have earned autonomy may work from home at set times if parents agree to this in writing.
- All students may continue to work in School in the Sixth Form Centre between 8.20am-5.30pm.
- Students whose attendance or effort is not meeting the criteria will remain in school at all times during the day. Sixth Form Leaders will continue to monitor and track attendance and effort and students may gain autonomy or have it removed based on their attendance, punctuality and effort.

We look forward to continuing to support Year 12 students this year as they make the transition from A Level and Level 3 courses to University or employment. We will fully support all of our students realise their potential and secure a positive destination on their journey towards University or employment.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Yours faithfully



Mr Callaway
Head of Sixth Form