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Dear Parent/Carer

As I write this I can hear the sound of much excitement in the playground as many of our senior students say farewell to their peers, tutors and teachers and mark their final timetabled day at the Academy. Against the unpredictability and challenges of the past two years, students have continued to work and focus unrelentingly on achieving the best results they can in their qualifications. We congratulate these students on their perseverance during the past two years and wish them every success as they move on to the next stage of their education.

Celebratory activities have been planned and details are being shared by the Head of Year.

Support

The unpredictability of the pandemic has brought major changes into the lives of some of our students and their families, and a range of new difficulties. We would encourage you to keep us informed of any issues that may be affecting your child or family so that we can offer appropriate support. After the half term break from the 8th June 2021, in the first instance, please contact your child's Head of Year.

Our intention is to set up a welfare support line in the near future to enable parents who may need support to be able to access this. We will keep you informed about this but in the meantime, please use the contacts above.

Safeguarding over Half Term

If you have a concern regarding safeguarding/child protection during half term, please contact Sara Sharpe, Designated Safeguarding Lead on 07379 862 150.

Covid Testing

Home testing kits will be distributed to Years 7, 8 and 9 today and students in Year 10, 12 or the International Group will receive theirs after half term.

Please continue to ask your child to test twice weekly. If they test positive, please keep them at home and arrange PCR test, as well as informing the Academy as soon as possible.

INSET Day

A reminder that Monday 7th June 2021 is an INSET day and no students should attend the Academy on this day.

We hope the brighter, warmer weather of today means that summer is not far away and that more positive times lie ahead for all. In the meantime, best wishes to you and your family for the half term break.

Yours sincerely

Wanda Golinska
Headteacher