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Dear Parent/ Carer

I hope you had a good week. It has been lovely to see students back in the Academy after a short break. They have settled back in well and we look forward to having a positive and productive Summer Term as a community.

Academy Improvements

Lots of work has been going on in the Academy over the Easter break. We now have air conditioning in the gym which will make a huge difference to students taking exams this summer in helping keep them cool during a really important time in their lives. We are also in the process of improving the courtyards. The Year 8/9 courtyard has been cleaned and painted, and we are awaiting the delivery of new picnic tables in time for the better weather.

Summer Uniform

A reminder that students are now permitted to wear the CoPA polo shirts for the summer term. These should be purple for KS3 and black for KS4. If students still wish to wear a white shirt, a tie must be worn. We have now added back tailored shorts to our uniform for the summer term only, as with pleated skirts, these must be purchased from our uniform supplier, Chroma Sports. **No other shorts will be permitted.**

https://www.chromasport.co.uk/shop/schoolwear

Year 8 Rap Workshops

All this week, Year 8 students have been working with Xidus Pain, a local rapper, to write some lyrics for their upcoming assessment where they are creating a rap song on a website called Soundtrap. Xidus performed for the group, even creating a freestyle based off the words the students chose. The students have been incredibly creative, with lyrics based on wellbeing or friendship. We

hope they've enjoyed this time and that the students have made some lyrics that they can be proud of!

Thank you to Xidus
Pain for coming to
support us!



Students of the Week

I am continuing to meet with a group of Year 11 students each week in the run up to their exams. Students of the week from Years 7-10 will continue to meet with Mr Beeby, Deputy Principal.

Well done to this Students of the Week for this week:

English	Charlie
Maths	Arman Khan (Year 7)
Humanities	Joel
Science	Grace Roughton (Year 10)
Performance	Keaton Hall (Year 10)

Languages	Daisy Balderston (Year 8)
Year 7	Gabriel
Year 8	Amyle
Year 9	Alex
Year 10	Jack Driscoll-Freeman

If not done so already, please can I ask that you take a moment to complete our 'Permission to Publish Student Details Form', whereby you can opt in or out of certain student details being published within newsletters (such as the above table). We'd love to share your child's success! Thank you to those that already completed this.

Year 8 Parents Evening: Monday 22 April

The link for the forthcoming Year 8 Parents Evening is live and waiting for parents to making bookings: https://copa.schoolcloud.co.uk (Please note this evening will be online).

Year 11 Exams

Thank you to staff and students who came in over the Easter break to revise for the forthcoming exams. We are all working hard in the few weeks we have left.

Next week Art and Photography students are sitting their 10-hour exam, Spanish speaking exams are then the week after.

The full exam timetable is published on our website: https://www.cityofpeterboroughacademy.org/page/?title=Examinations&pid=114

Mr Vaughan will be sending a more detailed letter to all Year 11 parents outlining the exam period and everything parents and students need to know during this time.

All Years Assessment

As well as Year 11 sitting their external exams, all other students in years 7-10 will also be sitting end of vear assessments.

The dates for these are as follows:

- Y7/8/9 Assessments Monday 13th May Friday 24th May
- Y10 Pre-Public Exams Monday 17th June Friday 28th June

Year 10 assessments will take place in the exam hall, all other assessments will take place during lesson time.

Have a good weekend.

Yours faithfully

Mrs N Treacy Principal **Key Dates for the Summer Term**

Monday 22nd April Year 8 Parents Evening (Online)

> Friday 3rd May Culture Day

Friday 10th May Written GCSE Exams Begin