

Ref: BPE/EWA/EndofTermArrangements

10 December 2020

Dear Parents & Carers

I hope this letter finds you all safe, well and looking forward to the Christmas holidays.

As you will know, there is a growing concern locally around the rapidly rising infection rates, particularly within the PE1 postcode. Although our robust Operating Procedures have minimised disruption to our school provisions significantly, it has become increasingly hard to deliver a high-quality educational experience to students. This is mainly due to staff having to self-isolate, or who have been affected by their own children's' school and nurseries having to close or partially close.

Although we continue to have an extremely low number of active positive cases, my ability to open and deliver lessons with your child's specialist teachers, is becoming increasingly difficult. Therefore, we are making some amendments to our end of term arrangements next week.

Students in the following year groups will finish for the Winter Term on the following days and at the following times:

Year 11: Tuesday 15th December at 2:00pm

-Students may stay for lunch if they wish

Year 10: Tuesday 15th December at 3:30pm

Year 9: Wednesday 16th December at 1:00pm

-Students may stay for lunch if they wish

Year 8: Wednesday 16th December at 2:30pm

Year 7: Thursday 17th December at 12:00pm

-A cold lunch will be available to any Free School Meal students to take with them on their departure

All students will have an end of term assembly for the hour before they depart. We will be talking students through some of our Behaviour Re-Set expectations that will be implemented for January 2021. As parents & carers, you will also receive this information in a formal publication, which we will send in the post to you.

For the applicable last day of term, students will also have a Mufti-Day where they can wear their own clothes of appropriate nature. Students are encouraged to wear something within the festive spirit and contribute £1.00 to our children's charity 'Changing Perceptions' who work with children in the most need in the local area.

Please note, that this only applies to the students specific last day of term. So, Year 10 & 11 will have their Mufti-Day on Tuesday, Year 8 & 9 on Wednesday, and Year 7 on Thursday.

Could I please also remind you that even though the Academy is closing for the Christmas holidays, we are still contactable for contact tracing. Therefore, please email ewarner@cityofpeterboroughacademy.org between Friday 18th and Wednesday 23rd December if your child has to go for a Covid-19 test due to being symptomatic, or then eventually tests positive.

I am also delighted to say that we now have a new uniform and kit supplier, Chroma Sport. We have been working closely with Chroma, to secure a higher quality and better value for money product than our previous supplier. You have the option of either purchasing school uniform online, via our own personalised area here: <https://www.chromasport.co.uk/shop/city-of-peterborough-academy> or by going into the Chroma Sport shop which is located at Unit 10, Wulfric Square, Bretton, Peterborough, PE3 8RF.

We hope that you all have a fantastic Christmas, and we look forward to welcoming students back on Tuesday 5th January. Please note that the current staggered start and finish times will still be in place after Christmas.

I would like to thank you for your anticipated and on-going support during these unprecedented times. If you have any questions regarding the content of this letter, please do not hesitate to contact us at the Academy.

Yours sincerely



Mr B Pearce
Principal



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