

Ref: BPE/EWA/EndofTermLetter

17 December 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

**RE: END OF TERM LETTER**

As we end the winter term and head into the Christmas Holidays, I would firstly like to thank you for your continued support and kind words, which have helped us through very testing circumstances since we returned in September. The way that the community and the Academy have pulled together to keep disruption to learning to a minimum, and keep our children safe during this time, has been testament to everyone's efforts and hard work.

It has been recently announced that there will mass testing for school staff implemented in schools across the country from January. We are still to receive the precise details of this programme and will ensure that we update you as and when we have these details from the DfE. Alongside this, the key procedures we have followed since September will remain. Therefore, when your child returns in January we will still have in place:

- Staggered start and finish times for all students. Arrival times of 8:15am – 8:30am for students in Year 7, 8 & 9 and 9:30am – 9:45am for students in Year 10 & 11. Finish times of 2:30pm for students in Year 7, 8 & 9 and 3:30pm for students in Year 10 & 11.
- Year Group Bubbles. All students will have their lessons and social times in specific areas of the Academy.
- Compulsory face coverings (apart from those who are medically exempt) in communal areas of the Academy, such as corridors, toilets and indoor social spaces.
- Regular and thorough hand hygiene via hand washing and sanitisation.

In terms of face coverings, it does really help when students are able to bring their own reusable face coverings. This is also far better for the environment in relation to the excessive waste that disposable face masks produce. We will always ensure that students have access to face coverings, but can I please ask for your support with making every effort to ensure that your child has their own reusable face covering as much as possible, which can then also be washed on a regular basis.

I would also like to remind you that we have started an exciting new partnership with Chroma Sport, who will now be supplying all our school uniform and PE kit moving forward. You can access our very own website area here: <https://www.chromasport.co.uk/shop/city-of-peterborough-academy> Or alternatively, you can visit them in store on Wulfric Square, Bretton, PE3 8RF.

Please find enclosed with this letter a publication providing you with information about our Behaviour Re-Set in January. There is a rationale within the publication, but in essence, it is simply a re-set of what our current expectations and procedures around behaviour are. There are no significant changes to processes or protocol, however there are some amendments to our expectations around certain behaviours. All students have been presented with this information in their final assemblies this term and will be reminded and supported with this on the first day back in January.

Finally, I would like to remind you that students are back with us on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January at the appropriate time for their bubble. We hope you all have a great Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

Kind Regards



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**Principal**



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