

CHELLASTON ACADEMY

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Dear Parent and carers,

RE: Weekly Updates and Reminders

It has been wonderful to welcome our amazing students back to school this week. There has been a fantastic feel around school, and we have been delighted with the quality of learning taking place.

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

On behalf of everyone at Chellaston Academy, we would like to express our deepest sympathies for the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. As a school we will observe the mourning period and organise a number of activities to celebrate her unparalleled service. Unless otherwise informed, any scheduled activity or event will continue as planned. However, we will observe the national holiday for Her Majesty's funeral. We will provide further updates when we have them.

Improvements to the school site

Our site team and contractors have been extremely busy over the summer break. The vast number of projects is part of an exciting program of works which will take place over the next two years. Most noticeable is our new signage. We have new flooring in several areas of the school and a large number of rooms have been redecorated. We now have a fresh new look to our Extended Learning (formerly Learning Support) area, and we are able to offer bespoke alternative provision in our Connect building. Over the next twelve months our Technology and Art departments will be completely re-structured, and we will have a new-look library area. We will also be modernising and extending the number of toilets around the school. We look forward to giving you updates on our journey to improve our school environment. Please look out for further updates.

Duke of Edinburgh

We wish the 34 students all the best as they venture off to complete their Silver Duke of Edinburgh qualifying this weekend.

Timings of the school day

As a reminder, the school day starts at 0830 and finishes at 1500.

Transport - Buses

School Transport is organised externally via Derbyshire School Transport. It is important that students travel on the bus to which they are assigned to. The Transport Office have the numbers of students assigned to each bus and a service is provided on these numbers. All passes must be shown and not altered in any way. There is a fee to replace lost bus passes. The late arrival of buses is, unfortunately, out of our control but we do contact the School Transport office to report this.

Wider Curriculum

Our co-curricular activities will start to be in action next week. Eco Club will be starting on Wednesday after school and our Music and Drama clubs will be offering taster sessions all week. Similarly, our sports clubs are starting up again and we will publish the timetable on Firefly and the website soon.

We are excited that our year 7 students will all be taking part in singing workshops over the next two weeks to give them a taster for our year 7 choir.

In addition, the Gallagher Premiership Rugby trophy came into school on Tuesday with representatives from Leicester Tigers and pupils enjoyed lifting it and having their pictures taken.

We hope that you all have a good weekend.

Yours sincerely,

The Senior Leadership Team

Kind regards

Phil Smith



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