



Our Lady and St Chad Catholic Academy

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Dear Parent / Carer

There are so many events happening at this time of year that are so critical to our students' education.

Year 11 and Sixth Form now have **12 school days until their final examinations commence**. These students have breakfast available every day from 8:15am and should be at revision daily. The focus is on each Year 11 and Sixth Form student achieving their very best results from which to launch the best possible start to their adult future. Year 11 and Sixth Form students, more than ever, need to be attending all revision sessions and arriving at the Academy daily and punctually.

Year 10 are approaching the start of their final examination year. They will be given lots of support and information to enable them to revise now and **use time during their summer holidays to prepare** for their GCSE pre-public examinations that will take place during the first week back in September.

Year 9 are preparing to enter their final year of Middle School and the final stage in their GCSE learning. I am aware a number of this year group have already begun revising and working during their own time to prepare for their GCSE examinations. This is such a fantastic attitude to have towards their education and future aspirations.

Year 8 have chosen their preferred GCSE subjects and will shortly receive notification of which subjects they will be studying next year. This year group will be increasingly engaged in careers workshops.

Year 7 have completed their first year at secondary school and will begin their final year before commencing their formal GCSE study. This year group have excelled in their Ninja Maths and Accelerated Reading during their House Tutor time.

In addition to their academic studies, students have celebrated some outstanding successes during recent months.

A number of eminent visitors, such as Sir Richard Lambert, have visited the Academy and met with students. Numerous careers events have taken place, including Bouygues 'Build a Bridge Project' and Jaguar Land Rover days. Some children have taken part in self-esteem and resilience programmes, such as Horse Riding and Stable Management and Mixed Martial Arts with great success.

Year 7 in particular have been outstanding with their commitment to charity work, raising over £2000 for their chosen charity, in many innovative ways during Lent.

The Academy expansion plan, if successful, will begin with internal remodelling in May 2018. This will see the relocation of the main visitor reception to the ground floor of the Performing Arts Centre with fencing and gates to prevent unauthorised access beyond this point. For the start of the new school year in September, the main student entrance will be moved to where our current visitor entrance is located.

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Finally, and by no means least, the Academy received its final **Ofsted report** this week. The Academy welcomed 5 inspectors for 2 days into the Academy. Those of you who have visited the Academy during the working day will be aware of the outstanding manners and courtesy our children demonstrate on site; values that were highly praised in the report. Please note there is a copy of this report on the Academy website.

Ofsted inspected school as 'Good' in all areas, which reflects the consistency and commitment of all involved in the Academy. Whilst we are right to celebrate this very good report, we still remain sharply focused on improving year on year.

Finally, thank you to all parents and carers for your ongoing feedback and support. We all wish our Year 11 and Sixth Form students the very best for their examinations and their future dreams and aspirations.

Yours sincerely

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Calendar Dates

Thursday 03/05/18	Year 8 Parents' Evening
Monday 07/05/18	May Day Bank Holiday
Thursday 17/05/18	Year 9 Parents' Evening
Monday 28/05/18 to Friday 01/06/18	Half Term Break (Sixth Form Pilgrimage to Lourdes)
Thursday 21/06/18	Year 7 Parents' Evening
Friday 22/06/18	Staff Training Day – no students in school (except those students sitting an examination)
Monday 25/06/18 to Friday 29/06/18	National Sports Week
Monday 02/07/18 to Friday 06/07/18	Year 10 Work Experience
Tuesday 17/07/18 and Wednesday 18/07/18	Reward Visits
Friday 20/07/18 (Break up at 1:00 pm)	Break up for summer holiday

Students return in September as follows:

Wednesday 05/09/18	Year 7 and Sixth Form students only
Thursday 06/09/18	All Years

For Information dates of Open Evenings and Open Morning:

Thursday 13/09/18	Open Evening	6:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Saturday 29/09/18	Open Morning	10:00 am to 12 Noon
Thursday 04/10/18	Open Evening	6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

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