

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2016

Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians

As part of the Academy’s tireless efforts to progress and improve, we are moderated regularly by a number of key people and external bodies. We have recently undertaken a three day quality assurance peer review through Challenge Partners and I am delighted to tell you that the review team, which consisted of 5 highly experienced educators, assessed the Academy’s school improvement strategy as ‘outstanding’. They also confirmed that the Academy’s method of planning, assessment and tracking progress using ‘I can’ statements and our focus on the education of the whole person and character development were areas of excellent practice. We are thrilled at the outcome of this review and I am thankful to all members of the Academy’s community who have worked so hard to facilitate this result. The report is available on the Academy’s website through the following link: <http://bit.ly/1V96JF5>. I hope you enjoy reading it.

This review comes as we are just about to celebrate our 4<sup>th</sup> Founders Day. When I look back at the last four years, I am constantly astounded with how far the Academy has come and I am so proud of the school that we have become.

This year’s Founder’s Day celebrations will be held on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March as part of which I will be leading a whole school assembly. The Governors have also organised a staff celebration that day and to enable all staff to attend, the Governors have authorised for the Academy to close at 1400 that afternoon and re-open at 1000 the following day.

There are also a number of additional changes to the timetable for the final week of term as there will be no SDL classes for Foundation, Level 1 or Level 1+. The Academy is also closing at 1230 on the last day of term.

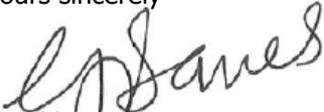
The timings of the day will therefore be as follows next week:

	Foundation, Level 1 and Level 1+		Level 2		Level 3, Level 3+	
	Start	Finish	Start	Finish	Start	Finish
<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March</b>	0830	1535	0830	1630	0925	As per individual timetable
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March</b>	0830	1400	0830	1400	0925	1400
<b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March</b>	1000	1535	1000	1630	1000	As per individual timetable
<b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March</b>	0830	1230	0830	1230	0925	1230

The Summer Term starts at 0925 on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April. I hope you have a restful Easter Break.

Once again, thank you all for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



Geraldine Davies  
Principal