

# gilesacademy

July 2019

Dear Parent/Guardian,

It has been a busy term with pupils settling into their Year 11 timetable. Hopefully they have realised the importance of this year. I know from speaking to some pupils that they have taken this onboard and how they have decided to conduct themselves. It would be great if the pupils had a relaxing summer so that they come back ready in September to tackle the upcoming challenges.

Over the course of the year there will be various interventions available for students across a variety of subjects which pupils will be able to access to help further their studies and hopefully increase their chances of reaching their target grades or better. As I have already said to pupils it is never too early to start revising for their subjects and the summer holidays maybe an ideal time to get some done so they are starting to get into the habit prior to commencing the academic term in September. At the same time I do not expect them to be revising all day every day but half an hour here and half an hour there would not go a miss. The pre public examinations will come round quickly and the better prepared they are the more confident they will feel. This will be further helped with good attendance.

Could we also ensure that any uniform issues are resolved prior to coming back to school in September. With this in mind I would please ask that accessories such as nails and piercings are done towards the early stages of the holidays so that they have time to grow out/heal prior to the 4th September start date.

Afternoon registration has already moved to the end of the day where they have been carrying out their SMSC tasks which the focus on this last term has been careers. More information on the changes to the school day will be issued separately.

I hope that everyone has a good holiday and I look forward to the pupils return in September.

Yours sincerely,



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