

Head of School

Friday 29th April 2022

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

We are already at the end of our second week of term and I am sure that I do not need to remind you that we have a long weekend ahead of us with the forthcoming bank holiday weekend.

Firstly, thank you to all parents and carers who continue to encourage their child to maintain the high standards and expectations of the school. As I walk around the school daily I feel incredibly proud of all students, uniform is being worn correctly, students are consistently attending school daily and the respect towards peers and staff is evident to all visitors that come to the school.

Secondly, thank you to all Year 10 parents and carers who attended Year 10 Parent's Evening this Tuesday. Year 10 is a critical year to prepare students heading towards their final year at Giles Academy. I hope the evening was informative and positive and if you do have any feedback positive or constructive that you would like to share please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Wesley – Year 10 Year Lead.

Mr Hind, Executive Deputy Headteacher delivered a motivational assembly to Year 11 this week which was very inspirational in the journey towards the final examination preparations and managing exam stress and anxiety. This week we have seen some Year 11 students complete final examinations. What an absolute pleasure to see our Performing Arts students rehearsing for their practical exam, from watching them sing and perform in school as Year 7 students and observing their development now in Year 11 – a highlight of my week! Students have also completed Speaking and Listening exams in English and will be preparing for French and Spanish speaking exams for next week.

As you may have seen on our website or social media our Prom Shop for Year 11 students is up and running. Currently there are a number of items already in the shop however we would like to be able to provide a selection of items for the students. If any parents or carers would like to donate items to the shop please contact Mr Relton on srelton@gilesacademy.co.uk. The collection point for these items will be main reception if you wish to drop anything at the school. We are very grateful for any donations which will support our students to positively attend the event.

Our school canteen is a very busy place during the course of lunchtime however a polite reminder - if your child's canteen card has been lost, misplaced or damaged a new card at the cost of £2 will need to be purchased from the shop located on ParentMail. Please can you check on this matter with your child as we are getting many students who have lost cards and this is causing some delay in the canteen over lunchtime.



Finally, the summer term is an exciting time for students there are fantastic events currently being organised behind the scenes such as Celebration Days, Sports Day and House Celebrations. Please save the date 'Wednesday 20th July 2022' this will be our Trust Celebrations Day. Your child will be allocated a Gold, Silver or Bronze menu of rewards to select from which will depend on a combination of their attendance percentage and attitude to learning score, trips include theme parks, water parks and even a chocolate factory- an exciting way to finish the academic year!

Have a lovely bank holiday weekend.

Kindest regards,



Miss Katie Belcher

Head of School, Giles Academy

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- www.instagram.com/GilesAcademySLAT
- www.facebook.com/GilesAcademy
- www.twitter.com/GilesSLAT

There have been some notable highlights this week which you may have seen on our website and social media pages. You can access the links below for the various news stories:

- www.gilesacademy.co.uk/girls-netball-team-are-crowned-winners
- www.gilesacademy.co.uk/prom-hire-initiative-seeks-donations
- www.gilesacademy.co.uk/save-the-date-for-celebrations-day