

# Head of School

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2022

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

What an eventful week it has been at Giles Academy this week...

Firstly, on Monday we held our Inter-House Junior Bake Off competition after school. The challenge was to bake a Victoria Sandwich Cake. I'm not quite sure who was the most competitive in the food room - the students or the Heads of House! The atmosphere was very tense between each house as they aimed for the winners' status! Well done to all students involved for giving up their own time to support the event. Congratulations go to Harry Lovell in Year 9 and Timothy James Dunn in Year 10 both of Tennyson House (Purple) who created the most amazing cake!

Following the student bake off event Mrs Pell and I judged the staff inter-house competition – 'Who can bake the best Swiss Roll?' Well done to Miss Pearson for her Highly Commended entry however a very competitive Miss Woolley stole the show and has proven to be the best baker earning the title of Bake Off Winner for Franklin House. There was a fantastic atmosphere in the food room with staff definitely demonstrating their competitive edge!

Year 11 have made a brilliant start to the summer examinations with the whole year group exams starting with Biology and English mid-week. Not only had the conduct and behaviour been exemplary since the start of this exam period, the commitment of the students to their studies has been very commendable with over 50 students attending the English masterclass held on Tuesday afterschool.

Planning and organisation is now well under way for our Celebrations Day held towards the end of the end of the academic year on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2022. All students will be grouped into Gold, Silver and Bronze categories depending on their attendance and attitude to learning data. A brochure will be available nearer the time which will clearly offer different trips for each category. This will be a really exciting day for all – there are some fantastic trips on offer! Further details can found be on our school website shortly.

Finally, I can't quite believe that next week is our final week of term. School finishes for the half term break at 3.15pm on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022. Despite it being the half term there will be Year 11 students and staff committed to attending revision sessions during the holiday period available to all Year 11 students. Please encourage your Year 11 child to be signing up for these final subject specialist led revision sessions just ahead of the final set of examinations.

I hope you all have an enjoyable weekend.

Kindest regards,



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Head of School, Giles Academy



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