

Head of School

Friday 31st March 2023

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

I cannot believe we have finally reached the end of term.

Firstly, I would like to thank all of our Year 10 students for their conduct and behaviour throughout their PPE examinations. This has been an excellent trial run for their real examinations in Year 11. Year 10 students will be receiving their results following the Easter holiday period. This will be a good indicator as to the progress that has been made for each student and their next steps.

Secondly, Year 11 students should now have opted in to the Easter Revision Sessions which take place at the school over the holiday period. The deadline has now passed for this, therefore all students should have now planned for the sessions they are attending. I would also like to remind Year 11 students regarding ordering Leavers hoodies and Prom tickets which continue to be available.

On Thursday, we rewarded our Year 10 Prefects with their first Prefect Breakfast (as pictured below). They have made an incredible start to this responsibility and are carrying out their duties with the utmost maturity - they are all fantastic role models of the school!



For Key Stage 3 in Year 7 and Year 8 we have also rewarded 80 students today for their excellent attitude to learning in school combined with excellent attendance. Our highest achievers in these combined categories received a 'Giles Cinema Experience'! Students enjoyed the afternoon with a film, drink and popcorn as a reward for working hard throughout the term. We will be rewarding Year 9 students in the same way following the Easter break.

Our Year 10 Netball Team won the District Final, but unfortunately lost to Bourne Grammar School in the U15 Superzone Netball Final. Well done to all involved - we are very proud of you as a great achievement.



I must highlight the following staff changes which are happening at the end of term. Mrs Harker, Head of Religious Studies will be leaving us on maternity leave, Ms Dobrianskyj, Pastoral Year Lead for Year 7 will be getting married over the Easter break and returning as Mrs Simons and, joining the school, we welcome Mr Waring to the Maths Department as Teacher of Maths.

In reflection on this term we have had many successes to reflect on:

- Whole school attendance is rapidly improving - well done to all!
- Excellent contribution to extra-curricular activities across the school.
- Fantastic attendance at Year 11 intervention sessions during break, lunchtimes and after school sessions.
- Prison Me No Way for Year 9 supporting our PSHE programme.
- Year 7 trip to a Mosque in Peterborough - fantastic cultural experience with outstanding behaviour and conduct from the Year 7 students.

Finally, I would like to remind all students that the worried email tab worried@gilesacademy.co.uk will be active throughout the holiday period. Please reassure your child that if they need any safeguarding support or advice to please utilise this email address, which will be able to advise on the next steps.

Thank you to all parents and carers we really value your continued support. I hope you all have a wonderful Easter break with your family and friends.

Kindest regards,



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