

## Head of School

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

It has been a real privilege to serve as Head of School at Giles Academy, and I am deeply grateful to the pupils, staff, families, and governors for their support, commitment, and shared ambition. As I move on to a new school within the same Trust, I do so with great confidence in Giles Academy's continued success and with many fond memories of what we have achieved together. I wish everyone at Giles Academy every success for the future and look forward to staying connected as our paths continue within the trust.

Giles Academy is now closed for the Christmas Holidays and the school will re-open at 7.50am on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026 (the school gates open at 8.15am). All students will return to school on this date.

During this time, the phones at main reception will be diverted to answerphone. If you leave a message this will not be picked up until Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026.

You may email the school on <a href="mailto:enquiries@gilesacademy.co.uk">enquiries@gilesacademy.co.uk</a> as staff will monitor emails between Christmas and the New Year, but we cannot guarantee to answer your email due to staff being on leave.

## Safeguarding

For all safeguarding concerns, you can email <a href="worried@gilesacademy.co.uk">worried@gilesacademy.co.uk</a> and this email address will be monitored throughout the holidays. For more information about Safeguarding and other contacts, visit <a href="www.gilesacademy.co.uk/safeguarding">www.gilesacademy.co.uk/safeguarding</a>

## **Student Absences**

If there are any student absences for the start of term, you must report your child is absent before 8.15am. Visit <a href="www.gilesacademy.co.uk/attendance">www.gilesacademy.co.uk/attendance</a> for details about attendance.

We would like to wish you a happy Christmas and New Year.

Season's greetings,

Miss Katie Belcher

Head of School, Giles Academy

