



Principal: Mrs Alison Sherman

16 July 2018

Dear Parents/Carer

As we head towards our summer break I am pleased to share with you details of events which have recently taken place or are about to.

Year 11 Prom

On Thursday 28 June we had the pleasure of spending the evening with the Year 11 leaving class of 2018 at the annual school Prom at Haydock Park. The event was a great opportunity for our students to celebrate the end of their examinations at The Sutton Academy. The young people all looked fantastic and certainly enjoyed themselves in the company of a large group of staff who attended to support them. We do hope that all the students had a memorable occasion and we look forward to seeing them again in August for their GCSE results before embarking on their sixth form studies.

Year 11 worked incredibly hard and we are confident they will secure the results their efforts deserve.



Year 6 Induction Days and Parent Evening

It was lovely to welcome the Year 6 pupils on their induction days last Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The students were certainly very enthusiastic and embraced all the activities we planned for them over the three days. We hope they have had a helpful introduction to academy life and we wish them well for the summer and look forward to seeing them again in September.

Student Leaders

Following a rigorous selection process I am pleased to announce that Liam Littler and Bethany Clarke have been appointed as Head Boy and Head Girl for 2018/19. Lewis Hatton and Mali Cook successfully secured the position of Deputy Head Boy and Deputy Head Girl.

The team will not only represent the academy but will also form a very important part of the student leadership team and will run our student voice.

Student leadership and student voice are very important aspects of life here at The Sutton Academy as we encourage students to share their views and use them to help develop the academy.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the outgoing team for all their hard work and dedication throughout the year. Thank you to Joseph Shaw, Charlotte Naylor Eaton, Isaac Poole and Eloise King.



Staffing Changes

It is also the time of year when we say farewell to staff who are moving on to pastures new, I would like to take this opportunity to thank them all for their hardwork and contribution to the academy.

Particular mention has to go to Mr Harvey who has enjoyed a long and successful career here at the academy.

Mr Harvey joined Sutton High School in 1984 as a teacher of geography and I know many of our parents have fond memories of being taught themselves by him. His career progressed and he became a Head of Year, Head of Lower School before joining the senior leadership team in 1998.

As a senior Leader Mr Harvey has played a significant role in developing relationships with our local community and establishing an ethos of supporting and contributing to good causes and charities.

Such service is an achievement to be proud of and I am sure you will join me in thanking Mr Harvey for his loyal service and sending him every best wish for the future.



Uniform and Equipment

I would like to thank you for your continued support in helping to ensure that our students look smart and are fully equipped for the working day.

Our non-negotiable equipment expectations are that

- All students have a bag, which is able to contain A4 exercise books, pencil case with equipment listed below and PE kit.
- All students have a reading book
- All students have the following items for lessons: pen, pencil, ruler, eraser, pencil sharpener.

A reminder also that footwear should be plain black leather look shoes. Boots and trainers are not allowed under any circumstance. Please see our parent guide on the website for clear guidance on suitable footwear.

The only permitted item of jewellery is a wrist watch and/or a pair of plain single ear studs.

No other jewellery piercings or retainers of any kind are allowed. Nail varnish is not appropriate for school wear and acrylic or false nails are not permitted.

Whilst we do not wish to dictate details of hairstyles we do seek your cooperation in ensuring that your child is moderate in whatever style they choose. Hair colour should be natural and not dyed in any extreme colour.

New Academy Day

From September our academy day will change slightly, namely the day will begin 5 minutes later and we will operate two separate lunch periods. This will result in only half of students taking their lunch at any one time thus minimising the need to queue for their lunch.

Details of the new day are as follows:

8.35am - 8.55am	Ready to Learn
8.55am - 9.55am	Lesson 1
9.55am - 10.55am	Lesson 2
10.55am - 11.10am	Break
11.10am - 12.10pm	Lesson 3
12.10pm – 13.10pm	Lesson 4 (Year 7, 9, 11 only)
12:10pm - 12:40pm	Lunch (Year 8, 10, 12 and 13 only)
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13.10pm – 13.40pm	Lunch (Year 7, 9, 11 only)
13.40pm – 14.40pm	Lesson 5

Last Day of Term

The academy will close for the summer on Friday 20 July at 12.05pm. Unfortunately school transport will leave the academy at the usual time of 2.40pm and therefore students wishing to use this bus service will remain supervised within the academy until this time.

Additional dates for your diary

Tuesday 17 July - Awards Evening commencing 7.00 pm Totally Wicked Stadium

Thursday 16 August Post 16 results

Thursday 23 August GCSE results

Finally may I wish you all a restful and happy summer and remind students that the Autumn term resumes on Tuesday 4 September following a staff training day on Monday 3 September. Students will be asked to arrive on **Tuesday 4 September** according to the schedule below:

Year 7	8.35 am
Year 8	9.00 am
Year 9	9.30 am
Year 10	10.00 am
Year 11	8.35 am
Year 12	8.35 am

Year 13 Wednesday 5 September at 8.35pm.

I would also encourage you to read the attached document which is our updated anti bullying protocol, reflecting the year team structure from September. Whilst bullying is rare at the academy, we do take it extremely seriously and encourage you and our students to report any incidents.

Finally may I wish you an enjoyable and relaxing holiday and thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully



Mrs A M Sherman
Principal

The Sutton Academy definition of bullying:

Any action which makes someone feel unhappy. This may not always be deliberate. These actions may be verbal, psychological or physical.



The Sutton Academy

How does the Academy deal with this?

The Academy will deal with incidents of bullying incredibly seriously. We understand that students aren't always aware of what impact their actions are having on others but should be tackled none the less. Any accusations of bullying is recorded and all students involved spoken to as well as parents. Depending on the nature of the bullying a range of consequences may be considered.

If the bullying continues at this point – this becomes serious bullying, as the actions are continuing despite the fact that the students know the impact they are having. This now becomes a serious consequence in the academy which may result in permanent exclusion or/and police involvement.

How to report bullying?

Bullying can be reported to any member of staff. Students can also approach our Anti Bullying Ambassadors at any point, there are 3 in each year group, managed by the Year 11 peer mentors.

Information can then be passed to the appropriate staff member. There is also a Report Bullying email link on our webpage for pupils or parents to contact the academy directly. Emails are automatically sent to the Senior Vice Principal Mr P Willerton. This link is located under the student tab.

Who to speak to about this?

All staff in the academy are available for parents or students but the following members of staff need to be made aware by students, staff or parents/carers of any incidents:

Year 7 – Miss Keenan (Head of Year), Mr R Hughes (Achievement Leader) and Mr Clarke (Assistant Principal)

Year 8 – Mrs Wilson (Head of Year), Mr R Hughes (Achievement Leader) and Mr Clarke (Assistant Principal)

Year 9 – Mr D Hughes (Head of Year), Mr A Cawley (Achievement Leader) and Mr Clarke (Assistant Principal)

Year 10 – Mr Friar (Head of Year), Mr A Cawley (Achievement Leader) and Mr Clarke (Assistant Principal)

Year 11 – Miss Tickle or Mrs Potter (Head of Year), Mr K Silcock (Achievement Leader) and Mr Clarke (Assistant Principal)

Mrs R Caldcleugh (Designated Safeguarding Lead) and Mr P Willerton (Senior Vice Principal) will be made aware of any incidents to track the impact of any actions taken.

All staff at the academy will deal with bullying issues but if anyone within The Sutton Academy community (students, staff, parents/carers) does not feel they are being listened to or the issues are being addressed, please contact Mr P Willerton or Mrs Sherman directly.