



# The Sutton Academy

Together Students Achieve

Principal: Mrs Alison Sherman

14 November 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

The new academic year is now well underway and our students have made an excellent start to the new year. Year 7 have settled in well and are enjoying the challenge of high school.

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring that our high standards are maintained. I firmly believe that the high expectations we have for our students will ensure their future success.

I would like to remind you of the following:

### **Attendance**

All students should aim for at least 97% attendance.

Holidays must not be taken during term time as the time lost from school could have a detrimental effect on your child's education. The pace of learning across the academy is such that even a few days holiday can result in your child feeling left behind with gaps in their learning.

### **Preventing Knife Crime**

I am sure you will have read in the media the recent reports on knife crime in St Helens. All local high schools have agreed to support the police initiative Operational Target Knife Crime in an attempt to address this issue. As such, the police will visit the academy on 12 December to give a presentation to our students on knife crime and they will distribute leaflets detailing the police operation. On that day the police will be highly visible on and around the academy site.

### **Important Events**

May I also draw your attention to some forthcoming events:

Thursday 28 November	Rock Night	7.00 - 9.00 pm
Thursday 5 December	Year 9 Partnership Evening	4.00 - 7.00 pm
Thursday 12 December	Sixth Form Partnership Evening	6.30 - 8.00 pm
Thursday 19 December	Last day of term	

**Please note that 19 December will be a full school day and students will be dismissed as usual at 2.40 pm**

For a full list of events and partnership evening please visit our website at:  
[www.thesuttonacademy.org.uk](http://www.thesuttonacademy.org.uk)

Yours faithfully

A M Sherman  
Principal

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