



The Sutton Academy

Together Students Achieve

Principal: Mr Paul Willerton

12 February 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

Thank you once again for your support over this half term. I appreciate the challenges you have faced in supporting your child with their online learning whilst also juggling a number of other roles. A number of parents have asked if there has been any update on schools reopening fully. At this point, we are waiting until the Government feels it is safe to do so for staff, students and the wider community. We are desperate for students to return and I will let you know when we are provided with further guidance.

Despite the challenges that have faced us over the last few weeks, as a community we can be proud of how we have adapted and come together. It has been heart-warming to see how the community has supported the academy and its students. A number of parents and members of the community have donated electronic devices to support those students who do not have online access. This included a former parent who recently purchased two brand new laptops and donated them to the academy as a thank you for all the support they had received when their child studied at the academy. These devices are now with students, enabling them to continue their education online.

As an academy we have managed to continue our high expectations and aspirations for the students by delivering a full academic curriculum and incorporated the broader curriculum into online provision. Students have discussed topics such as mental health, wellbeing and online safety through our PSHE curriculum. This will continue into the next half term. Through Satchel One we have also been able to keep in touch with students, providing any pastoral support that is needed.

We are still keen to review our provision and improve it where possible. Below is a link for parents to give feedback on the online learning the academy has been providing. We would appreciate it if parents could complete the survey by Friday 26 February. Students have been asked to complete their own survey through Satchel One.

[Parental Survey](#)

We break up today for half term and when we return there are some minor changes to the timetable for Live Lessons. This timetable will begin on Monday 22 February.

	Monday Period 1	Monday Period 5	Tuesday Period 1	Tuesday Period 3	Wed Period 1	Wed Period 3	Thursday Period 1	Thursday Period 3	Friday Period 1	Friday Period 3
Start Time	8:55	13:40	8:55	11:10	8:55	11:10	8:55	11:10	8:55	11:10

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The wellbeing lesson for the first week back will be period 5 on Wednesday (1.40pm - 2.40pm). Thank you for all your photographs showing us how you and your child enjoyed their wellbeing lesson this week. Once again, please feel free to share these with us.

There are a number of academy events next half term, please see below for a list of key dates:

- **Students to return to their timetable for online learning** - Monday 22 February
- **Release of the information packs for Year 9 Option Choices** - Week commencing Monday 22 February
- **Year 9 'Online' Options appointments** - Week commencing Monday 1 March (appointments to be sent electronically to parents and carers)
- **Year 11 Destination Interviews** - Week commencing Monday 1 March (appointments to be sent electronically to parents and carers)
- **Year 11 'Online' Partnership Evening** - Thursday 4 March, starting at 4.00pm (appointments to be sent electronically to parents and carers)
- **Year 10 'Online' Partnership Evening** - Thursday 11 March, starting at 4.00pm (appointments to be sent electronically to parents and carers)
- **Years 7, 8, 9 & 10 Assessment Week** - Week commencing Monday 1 March. This is the first time we will be conducting the assessments online. Further details will be emailed to you when we return after half term.

As always, don't hesitate to get in touch should you need any support, and please enjoy the half term break.

Yours faithfully

Mr P Willerton
Principal

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