

2 December 2022

#### Dear families

As the week draws to a close we are feeling very proud and humble here at Dixons Fazakerley; our students have done a wonderful job in bringing in items for the food bank appeal we launched last week and the pop up continues to grow so thank you for your support. Furthermore, we were visited by colleagues from across the country this week who have come to see our improvement journey and once again the warmth of our polite and hard working students made a real impact. Colleagues and students continue to work together to give our whole community life chances for the future and it is wonderful to see everyone's hard work recognised. Thank you for your continued support.

#### **Liverpool Citizens**

On Wednesday 30 November, our students and staff joined the pre-founding assembly for Liverpool Citizens at St George's Hall. Over 220 people were gathered to learn about how we, as citizens of Liverpool, can come together and campaign on issues that matter to us. Speakers included the Archbishop of Liverpool, Malcolm McMahon, the ex Member of Parliament, Sir John Battle and two of our very own Dixons Fazakerley students, Leah in Year 9 and Casey in Year 11. They spoke passionately about how young people are often negatively stereotyped and how they want to see great opportunities for every young person, coupled with the mental health support that will allow them to achieve their potential. We finished with the message that no decision about young people can be made without young people. The students were an absolute credit to the school and to Fazakerley. We look forward to our continued work with Liverpool Citizens in the future.

### **Power of Poetry Competition**

Our talented creative writing group recently entered a competition showcasing the power of poetry; up against entries from across the country our students aged 11-15 did superbly well and as a result all of the students will see their writing published. For some students this success represents the second piece of work they have had published this year – we are super proud of them and the work they have done with Miss Clayton in English.

### **Year 11 Careers Support**

Our Year 11 students are busy preparing for their futures and we have hosted visitors from Dixons Broadgreen, Archbishop Beck, Carmel College and Knowsley College this week. If you or your child would like any more information or support in regards to making applications please contact Mr Gallagher who will be happy to help.

# **Celebrating Students**

Listening to feedback from families we are working hard to ensure you have access to the weekly appreciations which continue to number hundreds each and every week. Please also ask your child about the Golden Tickets available in every lesson which celebrate any student demonstrating one of our core values of determination, integrity or respect.

## **End of Term**

As December begins I want to reassure everyone that we will be focused on learning right through until we break up on Wednesday 21 December 2022. Please support us in having a great end to 2022 by ensuring your child is in every day with the correct uniform and equipment and ready to learn.

Yours faithfully

**Chris Wilson Principal Dixons Fazakerley Academy** 

