

21 October 2022

Dear families

We approach a well-deserved half term holiday with pride and determination here at Dixons Fazakerley. Our students are ready for their two week break but are also rightly celebrating a very positive start to the year. We will close for the half term holiday at 2.35pm today with students returning for 8.30am on Monday 7 November. I would like to thank all students, colleagues and families for their hard work and support this half term and look forward to seeing everyone with their batteries recharged upon our return.

Staying Safe

October half term is one filled with Halloween frights and firework fun and therefore can be a magical time for young people and families alike. However, it is also a time filled with risk and potential danger for our students. Please reiterate to your child the importance of them behaving in a safe, sensible and appropriate manner at this time including only attending organised firework events and keeping themselves away from dangerous and /or illegal activity. I will breathe a huge sigh of relief to see everyone back safe and sound on Monday 7 November.

Attendance

Thank you to all of the families who have engaged positively with our efforts to support the attendance of each and every student in the Academy. I really appreciate the positive manner in which our attendance meetings have been approached and we are beginning to see the green shoots of success in this area – we all now need to work tirelessly to ensure that we continue to push this forwards. Our attendance on a Monday and a Friday does not match the rest of the week and therefore I ask all families to ensure their child is in school following and before the weekend. You are responsible for ensuring your child arrives to school promptly and is attending every day and there is no better way to discharge that duty than making sure they arrive on time on Monday 7 November ready to learn.

Class of 2023 Mock Exams

I am conscious that Mr Roberts is emailing a separate letter for Year 11 families outlining our half term revision sessions and the resources available to support students with their revision. It is important your child balances their rest and relaxation this half term with revision for their upcoming mocks. Our students feel happier, safer and more positive when they are prepared and able to academically succeed and revision is an important part of this. If you can support your child by using their revision flashcards to test them for example this is a really positive way to reinforce how much you want them to succeed and how important revision is. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

I would like to wish you and your family a restful half term break and I look forward to seeing everyone in full uniform, on time and ready to learn upon our return.

Yours faithfully

Chris Wilson
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