

# **December 2019**

### **Dear Parents/Carers**

As we approach the end of term I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support so far during this academic year. We have implemented many changes since I joined the school in February, and the enthusiasm and commitment of yourselves together with students, and our team working within school has been phenomenal.

Can I bring your attention to the information below:

## **Reporting**

There have been some changes to the reporting format this year to make it easier to see your child's progress in each subject area. There is a judgement on Progress to date and Attitude to Learning, both of which are colour coded.

We have included a GCSE Target Grade along with a teacher prediction if your child is in Key Stage 4. Teachers give a predicted GCSE grade based on current work, assessments and attitude to learning as a means to look forward to what can be achieved through continued hard work and commitment. Please note this is different to previous years where we reported students current working grades.

We hope this helps make the reports more accessible, so you can have meaningful conversations with your child about their attitude and progress in school.

### **Behaviour Matrix**

We have included the behaviour matrix which will help you to understand your child's report.

#### **Confiscated Items**

Please note that when we return after the Christmas break, any food/drink items confiscated from students will not be returned. Prohibited items are any drink other than water, chewing gum, family size packets of crisps and sweets. Please ensure your child is aware of this.

## **Reception Area**

From 7th January 2020 parents/carers will be unable to access school premises at the end of the school day. Parents/carers collecting children at the end of the day should do so from outside the school gates. Whilst we understand this may be disappointing, the decision has been taken following an external safeguarding audit and is in the best interests of safeguarding all students.

## **Keeping in touch**

As we enter into the Winter months please ensure you keep us updated with your contact numbers (especially if Santa brings you a new phone!). Any school closures due to weather conditions are always communicated by text message.

Term Dates for the remainder of this academic year

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Spring Term	Monday	6th January 2020	Staff Training Day (x1)
	Tuesday	7th January 2020	School re-opens
	Friday	14th February 2020	School closes
Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February			Half Term
	Monday	24th February 2020	School re-opens
	Friday	13th March 2020	School Closed - Planning Day
	Friday	3rd April 2020	School closes
Summer Term	Monday	20th April 2020	Staff Training Day (x1)
	Tuesday	21st April 2020	School re-opens
	Friday	8th May 2020	May Day
	Friday	22nd May 2020	School closes
Monday 25th to Friday 29th May			Half Term
	Monday	1st June 2020	School re-opens
	Wednesday	15th July 2020	School closes
	Thursday 16th July & Friday 17th July		Staff training days (x2)

# **Spring Term**

School re-opens after the Christmas holidays at 8.15 am on Tuesday 7th January 2019.

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The governors and all the staff at One In A Million would like to take this opportunity to send Season's Greetings and hope that the New Year opens up new opportunities and possibilities for you all.

Yours faithfully

Stuart Rees **Principal**