

10th November 2017

Dear Student/Parent/Carer,

November News

I am writing to update you regarding a few academy matters.

Progress Review Day

You will have already received a letter from Mr McInerney, Assistant Principal, regarding Progress Review Day. Many parents/carers have asked for more information as to how their child is progressing in school and as a result, we have introduced a progress review day. This will take place on Friday 1st December and it is important that all students and parents/carers participate. Please note that there are separate arrangements for Year 11.

Children in Need Charity Day

I have recently had a meeting with our Head Boy and Head Girl in Year 11, these students will write to you with regards to their thoughts on fundraising. They are, however, proposing to organise a number of fund raising activities on Friday 17th November to raise money for Children in Need. They have proposed a non-uniform day where students will pay to come in normal clothes.

We would like to support their ideas, however, it is important that students dress appropriately and sensibly. As a result, short tops, skirts, unacceptably sloganed t-shirts etc. will not be permitted. Students arriving at the academy in this clothing will be put in isolation for the day.

Personal News

I started at the academy in September 2016 and since then, GSA has progressed substantially. We have achieved a Good Ofsted inspection and the academy is in an excellent position to build on this. Standards are high and we have an excellent staff body and leadership team in place. The academy has a bright future ahead of it. However, after almost 30 years in education, I have decided to retire next year. This has been a difficult decision to make as I do enjoy the role, but know that I cannot continue to maintain the high demands of the position as I get older. Although I continue to be passionate about what we do, my body is telling me a different story. I have notified the governors and Ormiston Academies Trust of my decision. They will be carrying out the process of appointing a new principal. During my remaining time here, I will continue to drive the academy forward, ready for my successor.

Should you have any comments regarding these matters, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



Mr P Patel
Principal



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