

11 June 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

You will remember that we consulted on extending the non-use of mobile phones at the previous parents' forum and subsequently consulted with staff and all parents/carers. With Year 11 and Year 13 rapidly approaching the end of their formal public examinations, we are taking the opportunity to establish and instill good habits with our remaining year groups and will now commence this in this final module.

We have shared our expectations with all students in Wellbeing last week and have followed this up with regular reminders. We will be implementing our non-use of mobile phones policy tomorrow for Years 7-10. Please do take tonight as an opportunity to discuss this again with your child.

There is an interesting article on this subject from the Guardian this weekend, on the approach being taken in all schools in France:

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2018/jun/07/french-school-students-to-be-banned-from-using-mobile-phones>

During the course of this module we will also be taking the opportunity to implement the one lunch arrangement; we are currently in the process of finalising arrangements with our catering company, Cucina.

School Day Consultation

Following our consultation with staff, students, parents/carers and our update in the Academy newsletter, I can confirm our intention to implement the changes proposed. There were 24 parents/carers who raised specific concerns or questions; I will be writing to them all individually. We are awaiting confirmation of the specific arrangements from Transport for London following agreements made in principle.

Home/Academy Communication

Our aim is to work in partnership with parents/carers and students and we always endeavour to respond to all parent/carer communication within 48 hours during the working week. The form tutor is the first point of contact for any pastoral or wellbeing matter. If you wish to raise an issue with a subject teacher, please email your child's teacher and copy in the subject leader. For urgent matters, please contact your School Support Officer in the first instance.

Please click on the link to the 'Who's Who' page of our website for contact names:

<http://scwa.org.uk/about-us/staff-list-2/>

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Parent Forum

A reminder that the final Parent Forum for this academic year will take place on 21st June at 6pm in the main hall of the Crown Building

The Forum is an opportunity for parents/carers to raise a general item for discussion. Any student-specific items should be raised with your child's tutor or Head of School.

Academy agenda items for this forum will include our timetable and curriculum for September, the CCF and a presentation by Mr Kevin Dewey, Chair of Governors, on the Stationers' Company.

If you have any topics you wish to raise for discussion please email marion.jones@scwa.org.uk by 3pm, Monday 18 June.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "D Millar". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the beginning.

David Millar
Executive Principal