

Friday 29th April 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

A formal welcome back to the summer term. I hope that you and your child had a productive virtual meeting for LCCD. Thanks as ever for making the time for this all important conversation. This opportunity allows you to really support your child's progress for the remainder of the academic year.

Our Academy attendance figure has continued to rise; Year 10 is to be congratulated as they continue to be the best year group with attendance at 94.6%. Overall we are still a little under where the Academy's attendance figure would normally be. Although this is currently significantly better than the national averages, here at Chelsea Academy we always want to be much better than any national average! Every day that your child is not at the Academy is a missed learning opportunity. We need students to be present every day, ready to learn. Please be aware that I am not able to authorise term time holiday requests.

I think it is fitting that the theme for next week is humility and the verse from Philippians 2:3 is a valuable reminder to us all: *Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves.* I am often witness to the humility students show during the Academy day - it is a wonderful trait and one which we as adults sometimes need to practise more often!

We are all thrilled to welcome a couple of Ukrainian students to the Academy who have moved to the local area. I know the Academy community will warmly welcome our new students

Do enjoy the long weekend

Yours faithfully



Mariella Ardron
Principal