

Friday 9th June 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

It has been lovely to welcome your child(ren) back this week after a well-deserved half term break. We have impressed upon all students that we are 'sweating the small stuff' this half term. All staff will be ensuring that students are: punctual every morning, wearing a complete and correct uniform, arriving to lessons on time, and attending any detentions that are set. We are very proud of our high expectations for excellent behaviour for learning. Your support of the Chelsea Academy Ways is not only essential but much appreciated. Thank you.

This week has been a busy one, with an exciting and informative Transition Day for Year 6 Teachers and all of Year 12 visiting Sussex University, followed by a UCAS Day. A number of Year 10 are currently on a DoE expedition as I with more DoE expeditions planned over the next month. I am delighted that next week we have Stand Up delivering some sessions to better educate students on Anti-Muslim sentiment and Anti-Semitism.

#### **Sports Day Monday 12th June**

A reminder that your child should make their way straight to Battersea Park for a normal 8.35 registration. They should be in full Academy PE kit with hat, sun cream and plenty of water. Any rain looks set to come after 1pm when your child will have returned home. Sports Day ends at 12.30 pm and students will be dismissed straight home from the park.

#### **Grenfell Anniversary on 14th June**

Next week we will be praying and reflecting on the sixth anniversary of the Grenfell tragedy and will mark it during Coaching Time with a minute's silence. We recognise that this tragedy has had a significant impact on a number of members of our community and it is important to mark this anniversary.

#### **Year 10 Mock Interview Day Thursday 15th June**

A first for us - we have organised a fantastic day of 'mock' interviews for our Y10 and have over twenty interviewers coming in to support. These interviews are with the governors, CAF trustees, friends, and family of staff and we are very lucky that they want to help us in this way.

#### **School Street/ Transport**

Please note that we have School Street in operation every day on Burnaby Street from 8.05am to 8.45am and 3.25 to 3.50pm (Wednesday 2.25 to 2.45pm) which means the street is only accessible for residents and local businesses outside those times.

I and other members of the Leadership Team have had to ask a small number of parents and carers not to park up on Burnaby Street and wait for their child. Please respect that School Street is designed to keep all our students safe and also to better protect the environment. On a different travel note you may be aware that Wandsworth Bridge is shortly to be closed to all vehicles. This may impact on your child's travel to and from the Academy including the route of the C3 bus. Your child will need to consider an alternative route so that they can continue to arrive punctually each morning.

**Message from our Chaplain, Mr. van Kan**

There is a remarkable power in spreading joy to others, and it is a force that can unite and uplift us in extraordinary ways. In reflection of this week's theme being 'spreading joy', our community has recognised this great potential and has embarked on a beautiful journey of embracing joy as a guiding principle, which has been evident throughout our academy. It is truly heartwarming to witness how this focus on spreading joy has transformed our learning environment and impacted the perspectives of everyone within our community. I therefore pray that we may all have the opportunity to be a beacon of joy to those around us. May the peace of Christ be with you all.

I hope that you enjoy the warm weather this weekend.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mariella Ardron". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mrs. Ardron  
Principal