

Friday 30 January 2026

Dear Parents/Carers and Students of City Academy,

On Monday evening some City Academy students took part in a performance at the Royal Ballet School in London. As part of the Echo Eternal project, our students performed alongside members of the Royal Ballet School, Royal Birmingham Conservatoire, and NYMT. They were tremendous and represented the school magnificently. Many families of Holocaust survivors were present in the audience and were moved to tears by the performance. I am so proud of the students from City Academy who were involved. Participating in events like this provide long lasting memories for our students, and it is my intention to provide as many opportunities for all our students as possible. Please click here to view a clip from Good Morning Britain showing our students performing:

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1EnC-YXdo\\_HibGkzavhL8KpKgDIYGIANZ/view?usp=drive\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1EnC-YXdo_HibGkzavhL8KpKgDIYGIANZ/view?usp=drive_link)

### Language Ambassadors

At City Academy we have many students who speak a language other than English. To celebrate the diversity and cultures of our students we are seeking to appoint 'Language Ambassadors'. The attached poster gives more details. Being able to speak more than one language is a very useful skill to have and can open up many more career opportunities. In addition, students who are able to speak, read and write a language can gain a GCSE qualification in that language.



### Mental Health Week and Safer Internet Day

There are two key topics next week which focus on our students' well-being.

**Mental Health Week** - Students should be aware that they can speak to any member of staff if they have any concerns, they can also use the 'Sharp' system to make a referral: [The SHARP System](#). Within school we have two counselling services available - Place2Be and Compass. If any parent feels that their child would benefit from receiving counselling, please contact your child's Year Coordinator for further information and to have an initial discussion with them.

**Safer Internet Day** - Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February. The focus will be on ensuring that students understand how to remain safe on the internet, and the many dangers and challenges they may face when interacting on social media and the use of the internet. Parents can support what we are doing by also discussing the issues with their child, making them aware of potential dangers of the internet.

### Year 9 Options

Thank you to everyone who attended the Year 9 parents Evening and/or Options Evening. I hope you found the event very useful and informative. Year 9 students should now be in a position to make a decision on which subjects they wish to study when in Year 10.

### Food Market – every Friday 3:20pm

We held our first Food Market last Friday when many happy students went home with many bags of food and pizza. This will be repeated every Friday and all families are welcome to attend. The attached poster gives more details. Please remember to bring your own bag!



### Parent Tours at City Academy

We are pleased to offer current parents the opportunity to attend a guided tour of City Academy during the school day. These tours provide parents with the chance to see learning in action, meet senior leaders, and gain a deeper understanding of our school environment and culture. This initiative forms part of our ongoing commitment to working collaboratively with parents and strengthening positive partnerships to support our students' success.

Please click here to book a tour: [Parents Tour – Fill out form](#)



### Parent Forum Feedback

Thank you to all Parents who attended the Parent forum last week. Please find below feedback from the forum:

- 100% of parents/guardians attended said it was useful
- 100% felt they were listened to during the forum
- 100% felt the forum was organised and well structured

We have also attached a “You Said.... We Did” document that you may find useful.

<https://tinyurl.com/bdzd7txe>

### Parent Feedback: SEND Support & Concerns

Parents are encouraged to raise any SEND concerns via the new forms which can be found on the website: [Parent Feedback: SEND Support & Concerns – Fill in form](#)

Yours sincerely



**Mr Mann**  
**Executive Headteacher**