

Friday 10th March 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

I am pleased to report the behaviour data for this week. There are 359 students that have received no negative behaviour points this week, and 526 students who have received positive behaviour points. The year group with the most positive behaviour points this week are year 8. Well done year 8! Please discuss this continued positive change in behaviour at City Academy with your children. I would like to remind families that all behaviour and attendance information for your children can be found by logging onto **Class Charts**. If you do not have access to Class Charts, please contact us on enquiries@corecity.academy, so we can support you to access this information.

This week, year 11 started their second round of mock examinations. They have approached the mock exams in a very mature way throughout the week and I am sure this will be realised when they receive their results in the near future. Mocks continue next week, and due to the extreme weather conditions over the last two days, exams will continue until Friday next week. The exam timetable is on the school website, please follow this link: <https://www.corecity.academy/curriculum/year-11-mock-examinations/>. All year 11 students must arrive at Newhall Street for 8:15am, where breakfast will be available for all students. All morning exams start at 8:45am. Students must ensure they are on time and well organised with their equipment.

Also this week, we were pleased to welcome Ofsted to the school on Tuesday and Wednesday. Although I cannot reveal the outcome of the inspection until the report is written, I can report that our children were a credit to you and us, with inspectors commenting that 'they are to be treasured'. We obviously know this, but it was a proud moment to hear it from the team who visit schools across the region.

On Wednesday, 22 students from years 9 and 10 enjoyed a trip to the Hippodrome Theatre, to see the production 'How not to drown'. A good time was had by all. We have a partnership with the Hippodrome, so more opportunities will be available in the near future for more students to experience a trip to the theatre. Remind your child to ask Mr Sissons or Ms Holness if they are interested in this opportunity.

It was disappointing yesterday to have to take the decision to close the school due to the extreme weather and to postpone the Opportunity Day trips and events that we were all looking forward to. We will ensure that the visits and experiences are booked for later in the year and will update you as soon as we have more information.

Next week, there are two further days of industrial action planned for teachers. They are on Wednesday 15th March and Thursday 16th March. I will write to you on Monday 13th March, with further details of our plans for Wednesday 15th March and Thursday 16th March.

As always, I thank you for your continued support.



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Yours sincerely

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