

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

We have had an incredibly positive second week of the Spring term.

I am pleased to report the behaviour reset data for this week. There are 498 students that have received no negative behaviour points this week, an increase of 18 students from last week, and 675 students who have received positive behaviour points, an increase of 105 students from last week. Please discuss this 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](mailto:enquiries@corecity.academy), so we can support you to access this information.

The Academy is committed to driving standards, to do this, as you know, we reset behaviour after the October Half-Term. I am pleased to continue to report students have responded well and we thank parents for their support. Standards will not decline, but we understand that the best place for young people is in school. To minimise the use of suspension, we have added another layer to our Behaviour Policy (available online). If students cross the 'Red Line' twice in a day, they will now sit a C100. This is a 100-minute detention with SLT on a Friday. This detention will finish at 4.45pm. This time will allow us to work with the students in school and review any issues students are experiencing with their organisation or behaviour. If you would like to discuss this further, please contact the Deputy Headteacher, Mr Tully, on [mtully@corecity.academy](mailto:mtully@corecity.academy).

As you are aware, Langley Walk is currently being renovated to improve the learning environment and social spaces. I am pleased to report that the building works are on track, and we will be in a position to open Floor 3 after February half term. This is particularly exciting, as our new library is positioned on Floor 3, as well as 10 newly refurbished and furnished classrooms. The new library will further support our drive to improve reading and literacy.

Yesterday, we welcomed year 10 families to Parents Evening. It was a very positive evening, with high levels of engagement from all families in attendance. If for any reason you were unable to attend, please contact your child's Head of Year/Year Group Co-ordinator for an update on your child's progress. You can get in touch at any time by emailing [enquiries@corecity.academy](mailto:enquiries@corecity.academy).

Today, we have welcomed PC Mason (our School Liaison officer) and the Guardian Task Force into school, as part of our continued engagement with West Midlands Police. They attended to complete a safety input, which was received very positively and maturely by



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our year 11 students. I am happy to be able to share that following thorough property searches and passing through a metal detector, no items were found. Police feedback was very positive following the intervention.

Next week, we look forward to Year 9 Options evening. This is an important evening for all year 9 students and their families as it will be an opportunity to discuss potential GCSE choices with your child's teachers, prior to selecting final options. The evening will run from 4:30pm – 6:30pm on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January. We look forward to seeing you there.

A date for your diaries, as a part of CORE Education Trust, we are incredibly proud to be a part of the Echo Eternal projects. This year, as a part of the Echo Eternal Horizons Festival 2022-23, there will be multiple performances at Newhall Street Station on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January. We will share further information closer to the performance date.

I thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Rebecca Bakewell  
Headteacher