



Monday 13th May

Dear Parent/Carer,

As we enter the busy exam period for the Year 11 students, I would like to firstly take the opportunity to wish them all the best of luck. The exams are a culmination of five years of hard work and it is important for them to remember to aim to do the best they can. It is just as important that students look after themselves during the exam period, including eating well and getting enough sleep. They are an incredible year group and I am confident they will do us all proud!

Some of you may know that there is a lot of change within the world of education at present. As part of our drive to ensure all students have the best opportunities to achieve their potential, we are completely reviewing our curriculum. This is a significant piece of work and whilst it begun months ago, there is a need for an **additional training day on Monday July 15th** to ensure everything is in place ready for the new school year. **To reiterate, school will be closed to students on this date (Year 10 students will begin their work placements as per the original plans).** Whilst I appreciate the disruption a training day can cause for parents and carers, myself and the Trust have taken this decision with the students' best interests at heart. Our term dates for the next academic year are already published on our website and next year's training days will be confirmed in the next few weeks. I will keep you informed of these in a future letter.

Stakeholder voice is critical to us in our school improvement journey to providing a world class education for all students. The next opportunity for parents to meet with the senior leadership team will take place on Wednesday 22nd May 5-5:45pm. If you would like to attend this meeting please email my PA at nstyles@city-birmingham.academy or phone reception by Monday 20th May. I appreciate this time may not suit all parents so please do still get in touch if you are unable to attend this particular meeting but are interested in attending future ones.

Yours faithfully,

Miss K. Slater
Headteacher