

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2022

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Dear Parents and Carers,

### Welcome back Year 11

I hope you all had an enjoyable summer break and your children are looking forward to 2022 to 2023 at Chatham Grammar. I would like to congratulate all our Years 11 and 13 students on their brilliant results in the first summer examination season since 2019, they all did themselves, us and their families proud.

# **Personal Tutor (PT) Groups**

As well as belonging to a House, each student belongs to a PT or Form group. The teacher who is responsible for the PT is your first point of contact if you have any information, concerns or questions. The PT list and contact emails for these members of staff are below.

PT Group	Teacher	Email	
PT1	Ms Cherry	laurencherry@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk	
PT2	Mrs Wantling	wantling@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk	
PT3	Mrs Parsons	parsons@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk	
PT4	Miss Furnell	furnell@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk	

### Homework timetable

Homework supports and extends learning in the classroom. Your child will receive their homework according to the timetable below.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option B	English P	Option C	Option A	Option D
Maths P	Maths Q			
English Q	Science			

#### Mock examinations

Your child will be sitting their first round of mock exams in November, with a second set of mock exams in February/March. Once the timetable has been created it will be shared with the students and each will receive a copy. In order to support your child in their preparation for these mock exams many subjects will recommend specific revision materials for your child to use. These will be shared with your child in lessons.

### Specific support

To support your child's preparation for these mock exams many subject specific sessions







are being held for students this term, either before or after school. At this stage in the academic year not all subjects will be running these sessions. Your child should check with their teacher where the sessions will be held.

Day	Start time	Subject
Monday	8am	Psychology
Tuesday	8am	English
	3pm	PE
Wednesday	8am	Maths (Q2)
		Further Maths (P1 and P2)
	3pm	Maths (P1, Q1, P2)
Thursday	8am	German/French/Spanish
		History
		Music (coursework support)
	3pm	Business Studies
		Art/Textiles/Photography
		Geography
Friday	8am	Science
	2pm	Drama

#### **Term 1 Events**

We have our open events towards the end of this term when we welcome prospective families to visit. Therefore, we will be closing at 12 noon on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October and have an INSET day on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October. The following week will also see us host many families for live tours.

## The Library

The library has been utilising its new online cataloguing system for the past couple of terms. This fabulous new system allows students to search online for books in our catalogue, reserve, review and create their own reading lists. Parents/carers are also able to peruse our stock. Ongoing work will allow the library to fully support the students' curriculum with extra reading, revision guides and contextual resources. Over the year the library will be hosting four clubs: Creative Writing Club; Digital Art Club; Strictly Come Reading; and the Harry Potter Reading Club.

# **Nut Free Academy**

Just a reminder that we are a nut free academy. We have a number of students who are severely allergic to nuts, so please ensure any snacks are nut free, also if you have handled any nuts you ensure you wash your hands before entering the academy site.

# **Buses**

Please be advised that there may be further industrial action by some bus companies in the

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coming weeks and months. We are already aware that Arriva are proposing further action on 30<sup>th</sup> September. Please keep an eye on your transport providers and ensure you have put alternative plans in place to enable your child to attend can the academy.

#### **Attendance**

I also wanted to include a brief reminder regarding attendance. I am sure you can appreciate why we need to be updated swiftly if there are changes in the health of your child. Should your child be absent for any reason, please contact the school by 8.30am for each day of absence. You can call the main school number 01634 851262, selecting option 1 for attendance or email:

officecq@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk

or

attendancecg@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk

Please give a brief explanation for the reason for absence, keeping the school updated with any changes. Should we need to discuss this further, you may be contacted by the Attendance department.

It is already a pleasure to see how committed they are to their futures, and we have every confidence they will be successful with their GCSEs.

Yours sincerely,

Samantha Shillitoe Assistant Principal

Academic Lead for Year 10 and 11

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