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Dear Parents/Carers,

Our last term of the Academic year has already been an incredibly busy one at The Chalk Hills Academy. Please note the following key information.

GCSE & A-level Examinations continue

Over the past week, we have seen our Year 11 students continue to work hard and rise to the challenge in relation to their GCSE exams. Examinations in Mathematics and English language have been undertaken. This week sees our students continue with Biology, Chemistry and Physics as well as their final Maths paper. The Academy will continue to hold relevant revision sessions and we wish all our students undertaking both GCSE and A-level examinations the best of luck. As always please be aware of examination stress, and ensure your son or daughter takes regular timed breaks whilst studying. Our Achievement teams and senior staff monitor our students closely, but do contact the relevant member of staff if you have any concerns during these final weeks.

Final exam dates and Sixth-form Taster Day

The final GCSE exam takes place on Friday 22nd June, whilst the final A-level exam takes place on Tuesday 26th June. We hope to see those students who have stated an interest in joining The Shared Learning Trust sixth-form on **Tuesday 26th June.** During this day students will be able to experience Year 12 classes at both our sites, as well as receiving bridging work to complete over summer. Students will receive a time-table which includes the subjects chosen during meetings and interviews earlier in the year. Our sixth-formers will have a clear dress code to adhere to next academic year, with a focus on smart business dress.

Results Days

The Academy will be open from 10:00am on **Thursday 16th August** for A-level results. Students will be supported by senior and sixth-form staff regarding their results, UCAS clearing and next steps.

The Academy will be open from 10:00am on **Thursday 23rd August** for GCSE results. Students will be supported by senior and sixth-form staff regarding their results, next-steps and opportunities to enrol for The Shared Learning Trust Sixth-form.

Additional INSET Day

I would like to remind parents and carers that we have an Academy INSET day on **Monday 9th July.** Due to our relentless focus on staff training and planning across the Academy, we will also be holding an additional training day on **Friday 13th July.** This will enable us to ensure that staff are fully prepared to deliver high quality lessons across all key stages, as well as a focus on sixth-form planning and safeguarding. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause, and the Academy will be closed on both days to students.

Ofsted May 2018

Our Academy received an Ofsted visit under the latest framework, just before half-term. At this point in time, I am unable to report the outcome due to confidentiality. However, I can say that we were very pleased as a school and Academy Trust. I will report the full findings to parents in due course, and the Ofsted letter will be published on our website.

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New site compound and building works

We have started the process of developing our site compound as we make way for our new academic block which will open in September 2019. Our construction team Wilford and Dean have now completed the access route from the Emerald Road entrance, and works up to the 3G pitch. This week will see site welfare facilities delivered to the site, and the compound is fully secure. All students have been informed of the importance of staying safe and they are not to enter the compound for any reason. Health & Safety information will be displayed clearly when building work begins officially at the end of June.



TCHA Visits Lambeth Palace

A huge thank-you to Lynsey Hill, our PSHCE co-ordinator and lead, who organised a visit to Lambeth Palace for a number of our students to meet The Most Reverend Justin Welby. Students had the opportunity to ask philosophical questions about God and many ecumenical matters. They undertook a tour of the palace crypt and gardens as well as sampling afternoon tea. These events and opportunities enrich our curriculum and support our vision and values as a multi-faith academy.



Eid Al- Fitr

For those parents, carers and families celebrating Eid, may I wish you a blessed celebration in advance of next Thursday evening and next Friday. Our Academy will be open; although we are expecting reduced numbers of students. Exams will run as expected, in line with the national examination series.

Yours sincerely,



Louise Lee
Principal