

28 April 2022

Dear Families,

I hope this letter finds you and your families well. I have a couple of updates and some news items to go through with you all for clarity and communication.

Equipment and Uniform Shop

Our equipment and uniform shops open from 8am. All individual items are free of charge. If students have lost two or three full pencil cases by now, there will be a small charge to replenish stock. If they have no money to purchase a full pencil case, we will provide it and take their name for later payment. The rule is in place to teach them responsibility and personal organisation. The shop is open from 8am. All uniform can be borrowed. We have more shoes on order and are expecting a delivery on Tuesday. If any family needs support, please let us know and we will provide it. We will never put a student in a correction who is doing the right thing. All students should be in line up areas by 8:15 ready for a prompt start at 8:17.

Attendance and Punctuality

Daily attendance to school is vitally important and a big area of focus for us as an academy. Every student must attend every day to give them every opportunity of success. Please encourage your child to arrive on time. Punctuality is a very important part of holding down a job in adult life. If your child is unwell and cannot attend school, please use the following email: attendance@dixonsba.com to contact our attendance team. We have medically trained staff in school, if you are not sure if your child is well enough, and they have not tested positive on a LFT, we are happy to make that judgement in school after a visit to the medical room. We would always contact you if we thought your child needed to be at home or see a doctor.

May Day - May 2

The Academy is closed on May 2 for May Day as it is a Bank Holiday.

Eid Al Fitr - May 3

Please join us in sending our warmest wishes for all of our students celebrating Eid Al Fitr on May 3. We look forward to hearing about how they celebrated this special day with their families.

Parking on Heliers Road

I ask parents and carers not to park on Heliers Road, it is making access for residents and staff very difficult, and it is also hazardous for our students with so many moving cars. Please park on Broadgreen Road. Your child can walk the short distance to school from there to the academy gates.

Meetings are by appointment only

All meetings with parents, carers and other organisations are by appointment only as with any other professional organisation. If you leave a message with reception, the appropriate person will contact you in good time.

Invigilators Required

If you would like to earn some money during exam season (from Mid-May to the end of June), we are looking for new and experienced invigilators to join our team in school. Full training is given. If you are interested, please email: lroberts@dixonsat.com

You will be pleased to hear that our recent student survey found that the vast majority of our students feel happy, safe and that they are learning a lot at the academy. We continue to support those that need it to adjust to our learning habits of Uniform, Equipment, Punctuality, Homework and Deadlines, On Task and Positive Reponse with our warm/strict approach to achieve their goal of succeeding at university or a real life alternative, thrive in a top job and live their best life. Maintaining high standards now is vital for their adult life to be successful. Our tried and tested routines help support their journey to success.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs R Fidler Principal Dixons Academies Trust