

KW/JJ

May 19<sup>th</sup> 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to remind you that the Academy will close at the normal time of 3.05pm on Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup> 2017 for the Spring Bank Holiday half term break and will re-open at the usual time on Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup> 2017

The new mobile phone policy which was introduced at the start of this term is working well although we have confiscated a few students' phones. Parents have been very positive and supportive and all the staff at Joseph Leckie are appreciative, as always, for your support. There is growing evidence of the harm that some websites have created, and the incidents of cyber bullying that parents, schools and other organisations are dealing with as a result. **Please be vigilant and monitor / discuss your child's internet usage and social media activity with them regularly.**

As the weather gets warmer and sunnier, may I remind you that track suit tops, hoodies and baseball caps should not be worn to school. Anyone wearing these items will have them confiscated until the end of the day. Repeated wearing of these items will result in the item(s) being confiscated and only returned to parents.

Thank you to parents for ensuring that their child's uniform is perfect every day which has helped to raise the standard of appearance of our students at the Academy. Please do continue to check your child's appearance every day so that we do not have to send them home to change their clothes, shoes, hairstyle or colour of their hair.

**From Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup> 2017 year groups will be moved up to the year above. Current Year 7 will move to Year 8 etc. The timetable will not change and your child will remain in the same tutor group but may have a different tutor.**

I hope that you will all have an enjoyable week and that the weather will be fine, dry and sunny.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



Keith Whittlestone  
Principal

(Also available online at <http://www.josephleckieacademy.co.uk/letters.html>)