

20<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Dear Families,

We are writing to remind you that the academy **closes at 2.50pm on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May** for the half term break. The academy will re-open at the normal time on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024.** 

This has been another busy term with so much going on and, of course, we have commenced the examination period which is a very important time for all of our Year 11 and 13 students, along with a number of Year 10s who are taking some of their GCSEs a year early and Year 12s who are completing external modular exams. We wish all those students sitting exams, the very best and we know they have been working very hard and taking advantage of the additional revision sessions that have been offered.

To read more about all that has gone on this term, please refer to the weekly parental newsletters which can be found on the academy website: <u>Joseph Leckie Academy - Newsletter</u>

## **Uniform Expectations:**

Please can we take this opportunity to remind you that your child should be in full academy uniform and where they outgrown an item then please can we ask that you use half term to get any uniform issues sorted. Lanyards are also compulsory, so if your child has lost their lanyard we ask that you ensure you have ordered a replacement before we break up so it can be prepared for their return. Thank you.

There should be no hoodies, tracksuit tops or trainers worn and please refer to the jewellery policy and our policy on hair cuts and colours. We will be reinforcing this over the coming week and on return, and making calls home and issuing consequences where students do not have the correct uniform. If there are any exceptional circumstances it is important that you liaise with your child's Head of Year to discuss these. Joseph Leckie Academy - Uniform

## Reminder for September regarding the changes to the school day:

As we outlined in the letter on February 6<sup>th</sup>, and subsequent letter at Easter, the rationale for this was not only to meet the Government expectations to increase our academy day to a minimum of 6.5 hours per day (32.5 hours in a week) but for also for several educational and well-being benefits. We are excited by these changes and the additional time this has given in some curriculum areas to enhance students' knowledge and understanding of key subjects as well as some additional time for well-being and check in activities, assemblies and lunchtime activities.



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## New school day timings from September 2024:

Main KWB2 reception gates will open at 8.00am for breakfast club (entrance via the student path)

8.20am - 8.28am	Enter school site via the designated year group morning entrance gates. All morning entrance gates locked at 8.28am
8.30am -9.00am	Form / assembly
9.00am – 10.00am	Period 1
10.00am – 11.00am	Period 2
11.00am – 11.15am	Morning break
11.20am - 12.20pm	Period 3
12.20pm - 2.00pm	Period 4 (Including lunch)
12.20pm – 1.00pm	Lunch 1 (Years 7/9/11)
1.20pm -2.00pm	Lunch 2 (Years 8/10/12/13)
2.00pm – 3.00pm	Period 5
3.00pm	Enrichment opportunities

At 3.00pm students should leave the school site at the gate closest to their period 5 teaching room unless they are staying on site for enrichment opportunities. Parents, please ensure you discuss this with your child if they are being collected at the end of the day.

New Year 7 morning entrance - Lord Street gates New Year 8 morning entrance - Lord Street gates New Year 9 morning entrance - KWB2 student path next to Reception New Year 10 morning entrance - KWB2 student path next to Reception New Year 11 morning entrance - Walstead Road West End gates 6<sup>th</sup> Form morning entrance - Entrance gates closest to form room

Finally, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and wish all our families a relaxing and enjoyable half term break.

Yours faithfully,

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