

JH/CC

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Dear Parent/Carer

I am delighted to inform you that our students have made a positive start to the new academy year. Students are very focused in their lessons and progressing well with various assessments. I would like to thank you for your continued support in driving up academy progress.

Over the summer and during this first half term, there has been a lot of refurbishment work taking place around the academy to improve the learning environment for your children. In addition to this, the academy has invested substantially in ICT which has seen new interactive whiteboards in many classrooms and updated computers across the site.

The expectation of high attendance to school has been a key focus with our students during this half term. Assemblies have been held with all year groups to stress the importance of high attendance and how this links to the high achievement of students. Again, I would like to thank you for your continued support in driving up academy attendance.

I am extremely pleased to be able to inform you that we now have an extensive programme of enrichment activities for our students to participate in. The full programme, which includes in excess of 60 after school enrichment sessions, is accessible via the academy's website. Please encourage your child to take part in these sessions.

You will find, overleaf, your child's report. A report will be sent to you six times per year. I shall be grateful if you will discuss this report with your son/daughter. Further information regarding interpreting the data can be found on the academy's website.

Please can I ask that parents/carers do not use the school drive and staff car parks when they are dropping off and collecting their children from the school site. This is creating a health and safety risk for your children. I would like to thank you for making your child's safety a priority.

For your information, please note the new logo on the report, the SPTA has now been rebranded to Delta Academies Trust more information will soon be available on our website.

Key Dates for October, November and December 2016

Friday 21 October Academy closes for the half term holiday
Monday 31 October Academy re-opens
Friday 4 November Year 9 Photographs
Tuesday 8 November Whole School Parents' Evening
Friday 18 November TRAINING DAY – academy closed to students
Friday 16 December Academy closes for the Christmas holiday

Thank you for your support over this half term.

Yours faithfully



J Higgins
Principal