



Olive AP Academy
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28th November 2024

Dear parent/carer

As 2024 draws to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support over the last term. There have been many achievements throughout the last term and I want to congratulate your children on their hard work.

To celebrate the festive season, we are planning several events and trips; attendance on these trips will be based on attendance and behaviour:

- Outdoor learning will go ahead as normal.
- **11th December** – Pantomime at Thameside Theatre.
- **16th and 17th December** – Christmas market on the Southbank, London.
- **17th December** – Top Golf, Chigwell.
- **18th December** – Christmas Fete open to students, parents and families. Students will arrive at 10am and leave at 1pm following lunch.
- **19th December** – Christmas dinner for students and staff. Students and staff are encouraged to wear Christmas jumpers. Students will be leaving the academy at 2pm.
- **20th December** – last day of term. We will be ending the year with a celebration assembly and students will be finishing at 12pm. All students will be given the opportunity to have lunch and taxi arrangements for those concerned will be amended as necessary.

End of Autumn term – Student reports

Staff are currently working on completing student reports for the first term. These will be sent individually by email.

Start of Spring term 2024 – Welcome back open event – Tuesday 7th January 2025

We are organising a welcome back open event for parents/carers and students on Tuesday 7th January 2025. This event is designed to provide you with important information for the term ahead and to create opportunities for you to share any concerns you may have.

The morning session will start off with a Big Breakfast at 10am, providing a chance for parents, students, and teachers to connect and socialise. Following breakfast, you will have the opportunity to talk to your child's coach for your parental consultation meeting. This will provide an opportunity for you to discuss your child's progress, goals, and any specific needs or concerns you may have. Coaches will contact you to establish a time. These meetings are crucial in establishing a strong partnership between parents and the academy, ensuring the best possible support for your child's education.

A specific focus of the morning session will be on reviewing your child's academic progress from the previous term and discussing opportunities going forward.

It is imperative that both parents and students attend. Students will receive attendance marks for both the morning and afternoon sessions, so it is essential for them to be present for the entire duration of the event. We believe that attending both sessions will provide a comprehensive understanding of the upcoming academic year and enable a smooth transition for your child.

We kindly request you to mark your calendars for 7th January 2025 and join us for this exciting 'welcome back open event'. We look forward to reconnecting with you, getting to know your children better, and setting the foundation for a successful academic year ahead.

Our normal academy day will resume on **Wednesday 8th January 2025.**

Thank you for your continued support and partnership and on behalf of the whole academy, I would like to wish you a restful break and look forward to seeing you on **Tuesday 7th January.**

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact our school office.

Yours sincerely



Anna Timms
Head of Academy