

18 December 2018

Dear Parent / Carer

As you will be able to see our new building is nearing completion, please take the time to read the on-line newsletter for more information. Logistical information for learners regarding the use of the building has been shared in assemblies but full building orientation sessions will take place once we return in January.

Key Dates for January

Yrs 10/11 exam timetable begins Monday 7 January 10.30am

Yrs 7/8/9 return to school, normal timetable resumes Tuesday 15 January 8.30am

Yrs 10/11 return to school, normal timetable resumes Monday 21 January 2018

We would encourage all learners to continue working hard and take advantage of all the support available, including GCSE Pod.

We continue to focus on high quality teaching and anticipate that the new learning environment will provide inspiration to both staff and learners. We have invested in classroom technology to ensure our learners have the best in-lesson experience. Standards of uniform, attendance and behaviour remain high and this positive ethos will follow us into the new school.

The new arrangements within the Football Academy are becoming well established and we have received some extremely positive feedback from learners and parents. Performances on the pitch in the National Cup have been very pleasing. Trials for our September 2019 cohort, for learners currently in Year 6, begin at Kepier on Wednesday January 23rd; please see our website or Facebook page for more details.

The renovation of our 3g artificial pitch has also been completed and the new surface is fantastic, offering a world class facility. The pitch is now in regular use, both for the benefit of our learners and the community.

The transition to a cashless system has been completed, any teething problems have been resolved and hopefully everyone is now feeling the benefit.

Whole school attendance is marginally above the national average of 95%. There are a number of strategies the school is employing to raise attendance and we would encourage families not to take holidays during term time, as prosecutions from the Local Authority could be enforced.

With every best wish for a peaceful and happy holiday and we look forward to welcoming everyone back, including Mrs Cooper, in January.

Yours faithfully



Mr R Giles
Acting Principal