



Joseph
Leckie
Academy

8th April 2024

Dear Families,

We hope you are all well and had a good Easter break.

We are writing to update and remind you of some important information for the coming week and the term ahead.

Academy closed to students – Friday 12th April (Teacher Training Day)

The academy will be closed to students on **Friday 12th April** as this will be a teacher training day.

Eid al Fitr 2024:

As we near the end of Ramadan, a deeply religious and spiritual time for all Muslims, we wish you 'Eid Mubarak' for Eid-al-Fitr. This year, we understand that Eid will fall over Tuesday 9th April, Wednesday 10th April or possibly Thursday 11th April. We would like to inform you that we are only able to **authorise one day off school for religious observance** as an authorised absence for your child to celebrate the day with family and friends. We would expect all children to attend school as normal on the other days so that they don't miss out on valuable learning time.

Please can we ask that if your child is going to be absent for one of these days for Eid, you inform the school through the usual methods to report an absence and that they attend school for the other days. May we take this opportunity to extend my warmest wishes to you and hope that you have a joyous celebration.

Please can we also remind you that all students who are not celebrating Eid this week should attend school as normal from Monday to Thursday (Friday is the Teacher Training Day) as staff will continue to deliver the curriculum and revision sessions for those who are approaching their final examinations.

Parking on Walstead Road West:

Thanks to a great effort on everyone's behalf, we have now seen a large reduction in dangerous parking outside the academy. You may remember that we have raised this as a serious concern in previous letters and stated what we would be taking legal action against anyone who is parking near to the zebra crossing. Cones and signs are now placed on the pavement near to the zig-zags and drivers are being asked to move on if they do park illegally. We are really grateful for the support with this from many parents. This is really appreciated. Thank you and let's keep this going all the time so that we can have a safe space for our students to cross the road.



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The Term Ahead:

This is an important term, especially for our Year 11 and 13 students (and some Year 10 early entry students) as they prepare for and sit their examinations.

Upcoming dates for the diary:

- Thursday 18th April – Year 7 Parents' Evening
- Friday 19th April – Year 9 reports sent out to parents
- Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday Monday – academy closed to everyone
- Monday 13th May – Summer external exams begin
- Thursday 16th May – Year 10 Parents' Evening
- Friday 25th May – End of half term

Yours faithfully

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