



The COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL *Leftwich*

Achieving Excellence

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Dear Parent/Carer,

As we reach the end of another tremendous term, I would firstly like to share our second half of the Spring Term Newsletter <https://sway.office.com/QBV4q3kVdBagg2IJ?ref=Link>. As you will see, this half term has been packed with students embracing the opportunities my hard working colleagues have provided for them during their lessons and beyond. It is joyous and rewarding for me to see so many students making the most of their time at The County High School Leftwich and setting themselves up for future success.

As well as all the activities and events illustrated in the Newsletter, students have also been embracing other activities, including Year 11 Yoga Classes, Year 9 marshalling, encouraging and organising at the KS2 Golden mile event and a record number of students signing up to participate in the Duke of Edinburgh Award. Just three examples of students Achieving Excellence by embracing opportunities.

Year 11

Year 11 students have been setting themselves up for summer success, putting themselves in the best position possible to achieve their own potential in next term's GCSE exams. Thank you to all the parents/carers who attended the Subject Parents Evening and in-person Information Evening this week. Between school and yourselves we can support the students to prepare carefully, support them through the exam season and enable them to enjoy the joyous and rewarding celebration events, which will follow.

Curriculum Update

We are delighted to announce that we will be introducing Drama into our curriculum for next year's Year 7, 8 and 9. We believe that the inclusion of Drama will ensure the curriculum remains broad, balanced and enriching. We believe that Drama supports students to develop skills in teamwork, leadership and considered risk-taking. Drama stimulates creativity and imagination and I look forward to seeing the performances which will follow and students engaging positively with this exciting addition to our curriculum. We are delighted to have appointed a subject specialist to lead this area of our curriculum from September.

Uniform During the Summer Term

Anticipating better weather (fingers crossed) when we return and during the summer term, students will be expected to be in full uniform, with no additions to our uniform expectations. Students will be able to take their school jumpers off, but will be expected to have the correct shoes, trousers or skirt, shirt (tucked



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in) and tie on at all times. We will be monitoring this closely when we return and would appreciate your help resetting these expectations before students return.

New Block

Plans for the new block are continuing to be developed behind the scenes. Below is an exciting snap-shot of the current design. This design is subject to alterations but we are delighted with how it is progressing and can't wait for students to be learning in this modern, stimulating environment. Planning permission should be sought in the coming weeks.



I hope you all have a well-deserved break and I look forward to seeing students again at the start of the summer term who are:

- **Ready to Learn** – dressed correctly, with can-do attitudes, maximising their lesson time and persevering with their learning
- **Respectful and Safe** – prioritising their wellbeing, looking after each other and being kind
- **Embracing Opportunities** – during every lesson, every day and beyond the timetabled lessons

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