

17th December 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: End of Term Letter

As we reach the end of term, on behalf of all the staff at Waverley Studio College, I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support whilst your Son/Daughter attends Waverley Studio College. We really value the support from our community and look forward to welcoming parents/carers into College in the new year. As 2021 draws to a close, I'm keen to share some important information with parents/carers below as we move in to 2022.

Before/After College

We are aware that many of our students (along with those from other Schools/Colleges) tend to congregate outside the McDonalds and Subway on Belchers Lane and Bordesley Green both in the mornings and afterschool. We have recently received reports from the local police that this area is a hotspot for drugs (in particular THC) and other illegal activities. Please can I encourage you to ensure your Son/Daughter arrives straight to College in the morning and is home as soon as College has finished. We are concerned that many of our students spend lots of unnecessary time at this hotspot and would encourage to ensure your Son/Daughter does not spend time there.

Uniform Expectations

During this academic year, uniform standards have remained high. May I take this opportunity to ask for your support in ensuring these high standards continue. We expect students to arrive to College, on-time, dressed in the correct uniform, wearing their College lanyard and have their College bag with them. It's also imperative that your child brings their PE kit (including their Waverley Studio College PE top) every Monday for their PE lesson.

On-Site Catering

From January 2022, we will be moving towards a new catering company on-site. McQuills are a very highly rated company that specialises in School/College catering and we look forward to a positive working relationship with them. I have attached a copy of some sample menus to this letter to give you an idea of the food McQuills will be offering.

January 2022 Exams

Many of our students will be sitting BTEC external examination in January 2022. Teachers have been working tirelessly to prepare students for these exams and it is crucial students continue with their revision/preparation during the winter break. If your child is sitting an exam in January (they will be fully aware and given an exam timetable), please support them during their preparation for this.

Shoe Box Appeal – Migrant Help

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has supported the shoe box appeal. This was a very kind gesture, and this has allowed us to collect many needed items to fill boxes to support families in need. Please see attached letter from the CEO, Caroline O'Connor from Migrant Help.

First Day Back

We return to college on Wednesday 5th January for all year groups. The DfE have also requested that we carry out COVID lateral flow tests on all consenting students on their return to college. We will carry out the testing on this first day and carry forward all previous COVID test consents. If you have not already consented to your child being tested in college, please do so via the link below:

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Finally, may I take this opportunity to wish all our families celebrating Christmas a very Merry Christmas from all staff at Waverley Studio College and we look forward to seeing in the new year.

Warm Regards,

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Principal

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