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GLOUCESTER
ACADEMY

1st June 2020

Dear Parent/Carer and Students

May I firstly say that I trust that yourselves and your family are fit and well.

Secondly, **may I add how excited I am for the future of Gloucester Academy**, as we move forward with the Greenshaw Learning Trust (GLT) from the 1st June 2020. I started working, as Headteacher at Gloucester Academy, with the GLT in March 2020. **We have already seen massive improvements and are on an ambitious journey. As Headteacher I see it as a great privilege when a parent allows us the honour of educating their child**

We are **unapologetically ambitious for every child, no matter what their background, prior attainment or needs**. Our vision is student centred **and places the very best teaching and learning at its heart. It encourages pupils to take responsibility for their own success; to achieve their full potential and enjoy their learning.**

Vision

Students will be exceptional and have the ambition, drive and opportunity to '**climb their own personal mountain to the best universities and professions**'.

<p>We will</p> <p>Provide a challenging, and academic, curriculum 'Grammar school expectations for all'</p> <p>Support every child in their 'own personal journey to the very best university or profession'</p> <p>Provide disruption free learning</p> <p>Embed a comprehensive literacy and reading programme</p> <p>Provide an opportunity for all students to represent the academy, be it in sports teams or other challenges</p>	<p>Expect students to 'work hard and be kind'</p> <p>Have exemplary standards of uniform, punctuality and behaviour at all times</p> <p>Provide support to allow all children to achieve</p> <p>Have specialist teachers in every classroom, teaching their own subject</p> <p>Create a warm, welcoming and rewarding culture for all students, instill a sense of fun in what we are doing</p>
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Communication

Lots of the information you need will be posted on our new website www.gloucesteracademy.co.uk, which will be going live in early June. In the meantime please do look at the current website www.gloucesteracademy.com, which will host some relevant information. Please be aware that some documents, such as the uniform policy, have been clarified. We also share much information on our twitter account @GloucsAcademy, please do follow us and send a message!

Uniform Policy

We have clarified the uniform and equipment policy, and this will be placed on the new website when the site is live. We will also write to you at the start of next week with the details of how you can purchase the compulsory and non compulsory items. There will be no change to the uniform, however we are proposing a change of to the skirt and to the tie. If there is a change then the Academy would provide a free tie and skirt to year's 8-11 in recognition that you have already purchased these items previously.

Your chance to vote on possible new skirt and tie

We wish to consult with all members of the school community to find your views on the options for a new skirt and tie for September.

Please use this link to a google form and 'vote' for your preferred design. Please complete this by 5.00pm on Thursday 4th June 2020.

[HERE](#)

We very much value your views on this as we move forward.

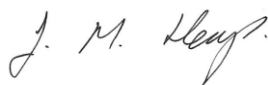
Meetings

Once we have more information, we will set up a series of parent/carer information evenings, these are likely to now be in early September. We recognise that we need to work in partnership to support every child on their own personal journey.

Once again may I welcome you the Greenshaw Learning Trust family, we very much look forward to meeting with you and building a strong positive relationship.

I am confident that Gloucester Academy will quickly become the first choice school for the local community, based on an academic and challenging curriculum, as well as a comprehensive pastoral support team and enrichment opportunities.

Yours sincerely



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