

Dear Parents and Carers of Pupils in Year 10,

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a happy new year, I hope you had a great Christmas break, and your child has enjoyed their first few weeks back at school. With our communication and relationship being so important I am reaching out with you today to remind you of key staff and dates, attendance procedures, share success and give you a very important reminders about our behaviour for learning policy. Again, I am looking forward to working with both you and your child to ensure the new year is a positive one. I would like to ask for your support by going through the content of this letter with your child.

Key Contacts

Below are the contact details for key staff members associated with your child.

Tutors

10D- Ms Kalkici	SKalkici@deptfordgreen.co.uk
10E- Mr Ndebele	ENdebele@deptfordgreen.co.uk
10P- Mr Fernandez	FFernandez@deptfordgreen.co.uk
10T- Ms Caltagirone	SCaltagirone@deptfordgreen.co.uk
10F- Mr Couzins	JCouzins@deptfordgreen.co.uk
10O- Ms Barradell	LBarradell@deptfordgreen.co.uk
10R- Mr Stamp	JStamp@deptfordgreen.co.uk

Pastoral Leader

Ms Samms LSamms@deptfordgreen.co.uk

Head of Year

Mr Conway JConway@deptfordgreen.co.uk

School Day Confirmation, Attendance and Punctuality

The safety of our students is our number one priority. We monitor attendance daily and we follow up absence with text messages and first day phone calls. To save our safeguarding and attendance team valuable time can you please inform us if your child is going to be absent from school by emailing info@deptfordgreen.co.uk or call 02086913236.

With the whole school now arriving and leaving at the same time I wanted to confirm the logistics and procedures:

- School gate on Fordham park opens at 8:15am.
- Free porridge is available for all students.
- The gate closes at 8:40am at which point pupils are late and enter the community entrance (8:40- 9) or via the main reception if they arrive later than 9am.

- The school day finishes at 3:00pm, students are dismissed via the small gate that leads on to Fordham park.

Students who arrive late will be expected to make the time up at the end of the day, this will last no longer than 20 minutes.

Key dates for Year 10 this term

17.01.22	Martin Luther King Day
19.01.22	Oxford Uni Careers event 1:30pm- 3pm
27.01.22	Holocaust Memorial Day
01.02.22	Chinese New Year
02.02.22	Winter production, Matinee 1pm
	Winter production evening performance 7pm
03.02.22	Winter production, Matinee 1pm
	Winter production evening performance 7pm
08.02.22	Safer internet day
10.02.22	Open Mic (more details to follow)
14th-18 th February	Half term
21.02.22	School closed- Queen's Jubilee Day
03.03.22	World Book Day
08.03.22	International Women's Day
31.03.22	Open Mic (more details to follow)
01.04.22	Early school closure
TBC	Year 10 PPE's
TBC	Year 10 parents evening

Key Behaviour for learning updates

Following on from both parent and student feedback we have recently updated our jewellery and hair rules.

- Jewellery- 2 piercings in each ear must be studded, 1 nose stud. No false acrylic nails, no false eye lashes, no hoodies, no denim or leather jackets, no sunglasses, no headwear unless for religious reasons.
- Hair- my hair my rules, there are no restrictions on hair.
- Coats can only be worn on the ground floor.
- Blazers are still compulsory and must be worn at all times unless a member of staff gives the student permission to remove it.

Use of phones and social media

As our young people grow up, they will be communicating more and more through social media, this can be a brilliant way of keeping in touch with friends but can also pose risks of which pupils will learn about in PSHE. I would recommend having honest and open discussions with your child about their use of social media and checking through any conversations or apps that you have concerns about. If you need any further support with this, please check on our website for resources or get in touch.

Work Experience

Year 10 students will be completing work experience on the 23rd-27th May 2022. It is up to the student to find their own work experience and we have set a deadline for your child to find their own placement by the 11th of February. You should have received a letter from Ms Nembhard our career's adviser earlier this week with all relevant information on there to ensure that your child has a successful week in the world of work.

Celebrating Success

Last term as a year group we had plenty of successes to celebrate. Both girls and boys football teams were successful in their matches, a successful student leadership programme where year 10 students modelled outstanding behaviour and assisted with KS3 lunch times. We also had twelve year 10 students participate in a "community apprentice" scheme where they were raising money for a selected charity. As a year group we are always competing at the top of the school's LORIC charts. We were very successful last term and we have had a great start so far this half term. A big shout out to the current top 10 LORIC earners this half term:

Domi	Ramsoondar-Vandyke
Oseh	Ighodalo
Myleigh-Rae	Doyle
Diora	Minta
Mia	Quaynor
Jennifer Eduarda	Vidoto Rocha
Dexter	Gambe
Zara	Hakakzada
Zuzanna	Kalicenska
Nadiyah	Sarpong

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Your sincerely,

Mr Conway

Head of Year 10