# Year 9 Newsletter



### Welcome

Firstly, thank you to parents and carers for all of their support, this year. We are incredibly appreciative and it is making of all of the difference in our students. We are incredibly excited for our students to be beginning their GCSEs in September. With vour continued support they will no doubt excel.

Please enjoy the six-week break. It is incredibly well-deserved.

#### Mr Tootle





Achievement Leader



**Head of Year** 

**Mrs Critchley** KS3 Head of Year

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# Achievement

Well done to this years Values awards winners. These were recognised and rewarded at our celebration assembly. Our winners this year were;

Lucas U 90- Resilience

Jayden D 9G-Kindness

Mollie D 90-Reflective

Saleem A 9S-Part of a Community

#### Student of the Month



**Congratulations - Ollie C** 

Our target for all students is:

96% attendance or above

#### **Curriculum Spotlight**

Over the summer holidays our students will be asked to be complete Summer Projects in English, Maths, Science and relevant option subjects of History, Geography and Spanish.

These have been circulated during lessons and details are available per



We strongly encourage students complete these over the summer. They will not only provide invaluable subject knowledge but also serve to develop vital subject skills at GCSE.

### **Attendance Matters**

One of our main priorities remains student attendance. A key message that is shared with students is "better attendance leads to better academic outcomes".

We have an aspirational target that we want all students to strive to achieve which is 96% and above and we work hard with students to achieve this. I have been working closely with Assistant Principal Mr. Hodgson to provide a range of prizes and incentives to reward those students for weekly and cumulative attendance across the half-term.

Please do continue to support your child in attending school on a regular basis. This continues to be vital as GCSEs begin in September.

Find us here:



#### **Assessment Focus**

Tracking 3 reports were circulated earlier this month. As always parents are very well to contact myself with any queries or clarification that may be required at <u>leon.tootle@thesuttonacademy.org</u> .uk

Our first Year 10 tracking is scheduled to take place w/c 21st October 2024. More information will be available on this on our return to the academy in September.



## **Reading Spotlight**

From September two Ready to Learn sessions each week will be devoted to Reading.

As always, we would remind parents and carers that students are eligible to visit and borrow books from our own library. There are wide range of titles to chose from and we hope students will take advantage of this opportunity.

Additionally, regular reading interventions are taking place for selected academy students.

#### **Home Learning Focus**

Home learning tasks continue to be set on ClassCharts. Support from parents and carers is always hugely appreciated and valued in this area. Log-in codes are available at request from myself. Computers remain available for students to complete their homework during break, lunch and after school until 3.40pm. These available in E-Block are and students' use is always encouraged. Many home learning tasks are designed to feed into the following sequence of lessons, so it is paramount that students hand their home learning task in on time.

Recent research from Educational Endowment Foundation has highlighted regular completion of home learning as a 'high impact strategy' to help ensure student success. We remain committed to ensuring we support students in their successful completion of this.

#### **Trips and Events**

Well done to all students who were part of our rewards programme.

Those students with excellent attendance and behaviour were treated to a 'silent disco'. Over 100 students attended!

Additionally, all students also enjoyed our celebration assembly on the final Thursday of term.

As always there was much to celebrate with Year 9.





# Aspirations

Thank you to all of the parents and carers that attended our GCSE Readiness Conference hosted by Mrs. Grace and I earlier this month.

These sessions provided a key insight into the best ways to support your child in advance of starting GCSEs.

Full details of conference can be found as per....

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