



# The Sutton Academy

Together Students Achieve

Principal: Mr P Willerton

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## Dear Parent/Carer and Student

Year 11 is a challenging but exciting time for our students who are undoubtedly preparing for their GCSE's. At the academy, we are fully committed to doing everything we can to support your child to achieve the best possible outcomes in their examinations.

A strategy which has proven to have significant impact on students' results is our 'Boost & Secure' programme. This is a package of additional lessons available to all Year 11 students that runs at the end of the academy day. These sessions are led by subject experts and have been designed meticulously by teachers to address any gaps in knowledge or misconceptions that were identified in the previous round of assessments. During these sessions, students are also taught how to prepare for exams independently, and are given advice and guidance on how to perfect exam techniques.

To support the wellbeing of our students, in what is a challenging academic year, we have made some changes to the Boost & Secure programme. This includes no mandatory sessions on a Monday or a Friday. It also includes running Boost & Secure sessions in cycles, to allow times within the academic year when there is no Boost & Secure for any student. On a Tuesday all students will attend Maths, and on a Wednesday all students will attend English. On a Thursday, every student has been allocated a session in the subject in which they require the most support, based on their previous tracking data. Boost & Secure starts for all students on **Tuesday 10 September**, and students will receive a copy of their personalised programme during Ready to Learn.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
No Mandatory	Maths	English	Personalised	No Mandatory

We strongly believe that these sessions are vital to student success, and so it is expected that all students will have excellent attendance to their Boost & Secure sessions. We see these sessions as important as any other lesson in the academy day, and therefore have the same expectations and standards. This means that students should be punctual, ready to learn and demonstrate an excellent attitude to learning. If needed, we will use the academy behaviour policy to support students to meet our expectations.

We are very proud of the support we offer our Year 11 students and we are confident that we can provide your child with the opportunities and encouragement they need to reach their full potential. We hope that we can work in strong partnership with parents/carers to achieve this.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or a member of the Year 11 Team if you have any questions about the Boost and Secure programme.

Yours faithfully



Miss L. Gobin  
Vice Principal

