

2nd October 2017

Dear Parents / Carers

Re: Academy Improvement Work

This update will be the first of many across the academic year. It is really important that our communication with you all is regular in such an important year so you can be reassured that we are addressing the areas identified by Ofsted in our most recent inspection.

The following has taken place or is in place so far this year:

- Links have been firmly established between ourselves and two teaching schools: Painsley Catholic College and St. Joseph's College to work with a range of departments across the academy to support their improvement work
- A full review of governance is well underway and a full review of the pupil premium is booked in the calendar for early November
- Our new RESPECT policy is in place and has been adopted by all
- The 3Ps is the expected norm: Pen, Pencil, Planner at the same time as being punctual, presented well and prepared for learning
- Student planners have a 'Home Communication' section to ensure there is regular contact between home and the academy
- All students have been issued with their minimum targets through our new attainment bands and all work books have stickers to show these
- Our second Parents' Forum meeting has been held giving you the opportunity to raise your concerns whilst hearing the work we are doing to raise standards
- Year 11 have had their '150' days until the first exam Parents' Evening event
- Hegarty maths has been purchased and all students are now regularly practising their maths for homework to support their understanding
- A clear assessment calendar is in place across the academic year and we have posted a copy of this onto the website under the 'Academy Improvement Work' section

As always, your support and feedback is welcomed. If you would like to discuss any of the work we are completing please contact the academy via our PA lheelis@suacademy.co.uk

Yours sincerely



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