



26 May 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Half Term Update

I hope that you and your families continue to stay safe and well. As we reach the end of our first half of the summer term, I would like to thank you for your continued support as Parents and Carers. You are all a big part of our school community and you make a big difference to how our school grows and flourishes, through supporting our school vision of 'Excellence in all that we do'.

We have been really encouraged by our Year 11 students, who have begun their summer examinations over the past few weeks. We have been immensely proud of their preparation, with many students attending breakfast and afterschool masterclasses. We are really hopeful that all of our students will get the results that they truly deserve and are successful in receiving the qualifications needed for their next steps. We are also looking forward to celebrating the completion of Year 11 with them at our Prom on Wednesday the 5th July at the beautiful Walworth Castle.

In Years 7, 8, 9 and 10, we have seen a marked improvement in the quality and quantity of extended writing. We have seen improvements in the reading and comprehension of more complicated texts. We have been celebrating the 'Wonderful work' completed by our students through a celebration event which took place on Tuesday of this week.

We continue to be proud of the current attendance of our students at Wyvern Academy. This is currently above the national average for secondary schools and also for Darlington Local Authority. The links to high attendance, high quality learning and academic achievement are undoubted. 'If you have high attendance at Wyvern Academy, you will do well'.

As we move into the final period of the Summer Term, I ask that we continue to make sure that our climate for learning is sustained, particularly through high standards for attendance, behaviour and uniform. Whilst Wyvern Academy whole heartedly recognises the financial challenges that our community faces and will always support students and families where there are concerns, our school uniform needs to be worn consistently and respectfully. We will continue to challenge the incorrect wearing of uniform and any inappropriate additions, which are detailed on the school's website [here](#), and ask that they are rectified, with the support of Parents and Carers.

For your reference, important dates for the Summer and Autumn Terms are provided below:

Date	Focus
Summer Term 2022-23	
29.05.23 – 02.06.23	Half Term Holiday
05.06.23	Student return to school.
15.06.23	Year 7 Parents' Evening (1600-1830)
21.06.23	New Intake Year 7 Parents' Evening (1800-1900)
20.07.23	Final day of Summer Term. Students welcomed to their Summer holiday and to leave school site at 1400.
21.07.23 – 04.09.23	Summer holiday
Autumn Term 2023-24	
04.09.23	Staff Professional Development Day
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06.09.23	Student return to school.

On behalf of Wyvern Academy and Consilium Academies Trust, I look forward to safely welcoming your child back to school at **0840 on Monday the 5th of June.**

Yours faithfully,



Mr Owen Inglis
Headteacher