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Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to update you on some important information for the coming weeks ahead.

Timetable change

Please be aware that as calendared, the academy will be closed to students on Friday 21 June for INSET.

From Monday 24 June students will follow their new timetables as all students advance a year. We do this to sustain a purposeful end of the academic year and to ensure no time is wasted as Year 10 students complete their one year courses.

Students who are interested in their timetable and are anxious about how it might look, will be able to see it on Satchel One a couple of days before returning on that Monday. All students will be issued with a new copy of their timetable by tutors that first morning.

Students will change timetabled groups for a number of reasons. Sometimes it is because of their progress in a subject and at other times it is because the timetable is arranged with different constraints. One example of this is when groupings change from Year 8 to 9. In Year 8 there is more commonality between groupings whereas in Year 9 there is more freedom for curriculum areas to group as they see fit. The decisions on groupings will be based on what we believe we provide the best outcomes for your child that year within the timetable structure. If you have any queries about your child's groups, then please contact us for an explanation.

Tutor groups

All students will continue with their current tutors. There are however some movements in relation to tutor rooms. These are as follows:

Mrs Ashton will be tutoring 10PEN (formerly 9PEN) in Lab 3.

Mrs Day will be tutoring 10POL (formerly 9POL) in Lab 1.

Mrs Riley will be tutoring 9KEV (formerly 8KEV) in room 204.

Miss Jarman will be tutoring 11TRE (formerly 10TRE) in room 119.

Your child will be expected to attend their tutor room for an 8:40am start on Monday as normal.

Behaviour policy changes

Further to a letter earlier in the year we have been using a new system of reset. This has led to an improvement in behaviour across the academy. Having used that system for several weeks we are making 2 changes for the foreseeable future as we seek to improve standards at the academy further. The first change is to remove the need for a corridor conversation at the second stage of our warning process. Students will be still given a second warning however this will be within the room so as not to potentially create a situation where the class is unsupervised for any length of time.

The final change is that reset will be extended to include 2 hours of learning after the lesson in which the student was sent to reset. This is in keeping with the stricter approaches used at many other schools and as a result of student feedback. Students are very keen that their learning is not disturbed. Our revised relationship and behaviour policy is available on our website. The changes will be explained to students in assembly at the start of next week.

Challenge Week

As you will be aware at Looe Community Academy the academic year finishes with Challenge Week for students in Year 7, 8 and 9. This is an opportunity for students to experience a range of activities that may not be readily available for them during their usual timetabled lessons and allows them to develop their personal, learning and thinking skills.

I hope that your child is excited by the opportunity to attend the activities in this week. Challenge Week remains a compulsory part of the academic year and attendance is expected for all students. Mr Riley will be working hard to try and accommodate all the students' wishes within what is possible given the capacity of each package. Please do contact him if you have any questions about that week.

Results day for leavers

Examination results will be issued on Thursday 22 August at 10am.

I look forward to seeing how well our students have achieved in the examinations this year.

Advance notice of term dates for 2024/25 academic year

Autumn Term (Half Term)	Tuesday 3 September 2024 – Friday 20 December 2024 Monday 28 October 2024 – Friday 1 November 2024
Spring Term (Half Term)	Monday 6 January 2025 – Friday 4 April 2025 Monday 17 February 2025 – Friday 21 February 2025
Summer Term (Half Term)	Tuesday 22 April 2025 – Wednesday 23 July 2025 Monday 26 May 2025 – Friday 30 May 2025
Bank Holiday	Monday 5 May 2025

The following are INSET days and therefore the school will be closed to students:

- Tuesday 3 September 2024
- Friday 22 November 2024
- Monday 6 January 2025
- Monday 24 February 2025
- Tuesday 22 April 2025
- Friday 20 June 2025

The first day back for all students will be Wednesday 4 September 2023.

Used and unwanted uniform

The Academy gratefully receives donations of used and unwanted uniform and PE kit which are in a good condition. We are happy to receive these at any time during the year to help other students who may benefit from them.

Uniform

Whilst the year groups are changing next week there is no expectation that Year 9 moving into Year 10 begin to wear white shirt for school. We do expect however that all other aspects of uniform are compliant further to letters sent out over the past weeks. Please see our website for any information about uniform requirements.

This is both a busy and exciting term and I thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher