



*Beyond Expectations*

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Dear Parents/Carers and Students

As we come to the end of the first term of this academic year, I would like to thank you, our parents and carers, for the continued support you show your children and us. It has been an absolute privilege this term to work with the young people here at the Academy; they truly have been inspiring since September. We must congratulate them for their enthusiasm, commitment and participation in activities both within and outside of the classroom; always embracing the many opportunities that have been presented to them. This has been particularly evident in our whole Academy 'Clubs' sessions each Thursday and Friday.

There has not been a day gone by without a student providing us all with a smile through either individual success or act of kindness. Kindness has been celebrated in the last week of term with our first 'Kindness Week' where students and staff can acknowledge and celebrate the kindness of others and themselves across our whole Academy community.

It has been great to see many of our extra-curricular activities up and running again that could not take place over the last couple of years due to COVID-19 and it was excellent to see our students perform so brilliantly at the recent Cross Country Championships.

It was brilliant to see our Whole Academy participate in our Sponsored Walk in October that raised an amazing £2198. The Charity work has continued into this term with the Snowflake appeal for Sheffield's Children's hospital and Save the Children through our Christmas Jumper day.

As you already know, since September we have introduced our 'Ready to Learn' and 'Able to Learn' strategies and overall the progress being made and the engagement across our Academy has been exceptional. We can really see the difference in the quality of learning and progress of students that is taking place each day.

Last week we communicated the arrangements for the start to term in January 2022 to Parents/Carers. As stated in the letter we will have to undertake a staggered start to term to accommodate and deliver the Covid testing of all students on site. A copy of the arrangements are below and a link to the letter with more information is [HERE](#).

It is crucial that students do not arrive prior to their scheduled time to enable the testing to run smoothly.

<b>Wednesday 5.1.22</b>	<b>8.30am</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	
	Year 7 & 11 students who use School Transport (Buses/Taxis) arrive at school	Y7 students who live in Crowle/Ealand arrive at school	Y11 Students who live in Crowle/Ealand arrive at school	Y7/11 Students in Lessons
Y8,9,10 remote learning				



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Thursday 6.1.22	8.30am	11.00am	11.30am	12.00pm
	Y,8,9 &10 students who use School Transport (Buses/Taxis) arrive at school	Y8 students who live in Crowle/Ealand arrive at school	Y9 students who live in Crowle/Ealand arrive at school	Y10 students who live in Crowle/Ealand arrive at school
Y7 & 11 students in school				

As students arrive on the school site they will be registered and directed for testing. Coronavirus tests will take place in the main hall where we can maintain social distancing and privacy.

As you know, we have experienced an increase in positive Covid cases in our Academy community in the latter part of this term. If there are any updates over the Christmas regarding arrangements within the Academy due to Covid changes we will send them out via the SIMs app and email. We will clarify the arrangements for Face Coverings before students return in January. Please also read the letter from Theresa Lindfield (Director of Public Health North Lincolnshire Council) with further Covid advice. The letter can be found on our website.

At the end of this term we say goodbye to two members of The Axholme Academy staff. Mrs Mason leaves us from her role in our main office. I know many Parents/Carers will have got to know Mrs Mason since she started working at the academy in 2009 and will have built up excellent relationships with her through her calm and caring approach. Mr Cutts leaves us as well at the end of this term from the PE Department. We thank Mr Cutts for his contribution to Axholme whilst he has been here on maternity cover. We wish both Mrs Mason and Mr Cutts every success and happiness for the future. I would also like to take the opportunity to thank all of our staff for their commitment this term. Staff have continually gone 'Beyond Expectations' this term.

On behalf of the Staff and Governors at The Axholme Academy I thank you for your continued support and I wish you all a peaceful and happy Christmas season and we all look forward with positivity and hope to 2022.

Yours sincerely

D. Keogh  
Principal