



# UNSWORTH ACADEMY



Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope this letter finds you and your family well and that you're looking forward to the half-term break. These past 6 weeks seem to have flown by, but it has been a pleasure getting to know our fantastic Unsworth community.

The half term has felt very busy and vibrant with lots going on and much to celebrate. It has been lovely to meet many parents and carers whether at information evenings, at our fabulous performances of Charlie and Chocolate Factory, or even just in passing. During the next half-term, we will also be in touch to arrange the next parent forum meeting.

This week all year groups have been having rewards assemblies, which has been a fantastic opportunity to celebrate the efforts and commitment shown to their studies and wider school life. A great chance to celebrate the excellent achievements of our learners.

This week has also been mental health awareness week, with years 7-10 having a special assembly with some visitors from 'Mind of the Student' and culminating in a cake sale today led by Mr McGlynn and our brilliant team of student leaders.

Our year 11 learners have gone into their mock exams full of enthusiasm and confidence, and it has been great to see their hard work coming to fruition. They will now have a break over half term before completing the remaining exams when we return. Please do encourage positive revision habits during the holiday, but it is also called a holiday for a reason! Please remind your son or daughter about the importance and value of having a break as well. Thanks for your support in helping to get this balance right.

Keeping on the theme of Year 11, we were very excited to be able to launch the Prom this week, you should have received a letter regarding this, making clear the expectations and support ahead of this exciting opportunity in the summer!

Now for a couple of reminders. Firstly, we emailed regarding the importance of punctuality to lessons and our continued drive on this. It is so important to maximise academic learning time so that all learners have the opportunity to achieve their very best. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

Our PE department have also written home earlier this week with some reminders about our PE kit standards and expectations. Again, thanks so much for your support with this, and as always if you have any queries, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us.

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As we approach the holy month of Ramadan, we would like to extend our warmest wishes to all families in our school community who will be observing this special time. Ramadan is a period of reflection, prayer and togetherness and in school we will be mindful of those who are fasting and their wellbeing. We will also take opportunities to help children learn about the significance of Ramadan.

Finally, thanks again for your continued support and for welcoming me as part of our Unsworth community. I hope that the next week brings some opportunity for quality time with family and friends and we look forward to welcoming our learners back to school on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February.

Yours faithfully,

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