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THE GAINSBOROUGH ACADEMY

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Dear Parent / Carer

HEADTEACHER: Mrs R Skelton

At the start of term, I wrote to you about the importance of attendance at school. I wanted to take this opportunity to say thank you for your support with this and share the improvements which we have seen so far this term.

Current whole school attendance is 89.6%, at this time last year whole school attendance was 88.3%, this is a 1% improvement on the previous year.

I would like to say well done to the 315 students who are maintaining an attendance of 100%.

Your child's form tutor will be working with them each week to support them in continuing to improve their attendance. Each additional week which your child fully attends adds an additional 0.5% to their attendance. Please continue to support us and your child by ensuring that they attend school each day. If you have any concerns about your child's attendance please contact the attendance team at the school.

We have also seen a year-on-year improvement in positive behaviour with a total of 14137 CFPS being awarded so far this term. This is a 41% increase on this time last year.

Our weekly proud podium continues this academic year and you will continue to receive postcards when your son/daughter has been nominated. Please do let us know of anything your child has achieved outside of school as we would like to recognise their wider achievements as we support our young people in going out into the world able and qualified.

We have also seen an improvement in uniform this year with the vast majority of students fully following the uniform policy. If there are any issues with your child's uniform on a day-to-day basis, they are able to borrow uniform items from our uniform store and will be asked to attend the uniform room to address these issues. I would like to remind you that students are not allowed to wear coats or non-school jumpers whilst in the building.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind all students and parents that students should enter the school through the student gate at the bottom of the field. Students are only allowed to enter the school through reception if this has been specifically arranged with a member of staff. This allows us to safeguard all students when reception is busy with visitors first thing in the morning.

You will have noticed that double yellow lines have been introduced around sections of the entry to school. Can I please ask that all parents and carers follow the parking regulations in respect to these. This allows us to ensure the safety of students at each end of the school day. Can I also please remind you that parents should not come into the main school carpark at the end of the day unless they have a prearranged meeting.

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours sincerely

Mrs R Skelton
Headteacher

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