



Dear Parents & Carers

We are halfway through the Spring Term and it has certainly felt more like Spring in recent days. We hope that your children are looking forward to a well-earned break next week, although we are mindful that our Year 11 and 13 students will be using some of this time to study.

It has been an eventful half term with so many great opportunities for the students including trips to the Houses of Parliament, Cern, Salamanca, Jamie's Farm and New York and lots of other enrichment activities across the school. If you wish to know more, please look at the most recent edition of the Warlingham School and Sixth Form Newsletter. <https://www.warlinghamtl.co.uk/parentportal/newsletter/?id=21>

### **Important information for the next half term**

#### **Punctuality**

I would like to remind you that students should arrive at school ready to be engaged during their tutor time at **8.35am**. Arrival after this time, will be registered as being late and sanctioned accordingly. If students arrive after the gates are closed, they must only use the main gate at the front of the school to enter the premises, students are not able to enter via the service road gate. Students leaving and arriving during the school day will also only be able to do so via the main gate.

Please reinforce the importance of attendance and punctuality to both school and lessons with your child over the break to maximise their learning and progress at school.

#### **Uniform**

Please ensure you take the time to check uniform over the holidays, replacing missing items, where appropriate this will support students returning to school, dressed smartly and in accordance with our uniform policy.

<https://www.warlinghamtl.co.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=183&type=pdf>

The weather is still very cold at times and we would encourage students to wear a jumper and a warm coat to keep warm particularly as break and lunchtimes are spent outside of the building. However, we would also like to remind you that students must not wear hoodies or other jumpers/sweatshirts in replacement of the school jumper or over blazers to keep warm. These items will be confiscated if worn, so please ensure your child has the correct warm clothing for school. Shoes must also be in keeping with the uniform policy and black trainers are not permitted. We will be completing a uniform check of all students upon our return from half-term so please ensure your child has the correct uniform.

We have a large amount of preloved uniform available from our Student Services Team who you can contact via [studentservices@warlinghamtl.co.uk](mailto:studentservices@warlinghamtl.co.uk).

## **Student Facilities Update**

We continue to review our approaches to providing safe, clean and accessible student toilet facilities while minimising any negative impacts upon learning. We are refurbishing some of the facilities over the break, next week and taking further steps to plan and budget for their redesign and improvement with the student council in the next half term. Thank you for your patience while we continue to seek the best solutions.

## **Important dates for your diary**

- Inset Day 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023
- Proposed further Industrial Action: 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 15<sup>th</sup> March, 16<sup>th</sup> March

I always like to look ahead at what is to come and the next half term looks just as busy as this one with Mock Exams for Year 11 and 13, Year 9 Options Evening, field trips to Norfolk and to productions of An Inspector Calls and our own Easter Music Concert. We also hope to announce our first PTA events which we anticipate will include a Quiz Night, Year 7 Film night and Summer Festival.

Thank you for your continued support of the students and the school. I would like to wish you and your families a restful and enjoyable half term break and look forward to welcoming the students back on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February.

Yours sincerely



Mr P Foster

Headteacher