

Dear parents/carers,

I want to thank you for the support you have given your students and the school at the beginning of this term. The students have made an excellent start to the school year and are engaged and showing a love of learning. In particular, the Year 7 have settled into school life very quickly and are flourishing and it is a pleasure to go into their lessons and the engagement and focus they are showing.

We are using this letter to update you on certain areas of the school.

### **Communication with staff**

We understand that having the ability to have a dialogue with your child's teachers is important. There are events coming up for each year group to explain the purpose of the year and how the school intends to support your child. If you have a general query the first point of contact should be the Tutor and then the Year Leader. If you have an enquiry about a specific subject, then please do contact the subject teacher. There will be a separate communication next week about SEND and communicating with this department.

To contact a member of the team please use their initial and surname followed by @charternorthdulwich.org.uk.

A full staff list can be found [Our Team \(charternorthdulwich.org.uk\)](https://www.charternorthdulwich.org.uk/our-team)

### **Black History Month**

In the next week we will begin to share our plans for Black History Month. This year's theme is "Time for Change: Action Not Words". We look forward to sharing the range of trips, discussion activities and opportunities around food and fashion that students will be able to take part in, alongside the development of Black History through the curriculum.

### **Positive discipline and attendance**

During the summer the school transitioned to using a new system for recording and communicating behaviour. This system is ClassCharts and we will be sharing wider information now that we have tested and ensured its effectiveness. This will be the principal tool for communication about house points, behaviour and attendance. The intention will be to eventually track homework on this system as well.

### **Key Dates**

- Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2022- Year 11 EPRA Event
- Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2022- Excellence Scholars Parents' Session 1
- Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2022- New Year 7 Open Day 3-7pm (**Early Closure – 12:20**)
- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2022- Year 11 Achievement Evening
- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022- Year 13 Achievement Evening

### **Enrichment**

Following on from Ms Brown's email, we would like to remind you that the enrichment timetable has now been shared with students.

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Your child's tutor has received a google form which will allow them to sign up students for the clubs that they are interested in. Students will not be able to sign up to interventions or invite only clubs, they will need to speak with the teacher in charge.

Along with there being a google form we will also have paper sign up forms on the noticeboard in the bridge for students to sign themselves up.

Any questions please email; [ebrown@charternorthdulwich.org.uk](mailto:ebrown@charternorthdulwich.org.uk)

Over the next week please look out for communications about Black History Month, SEND, curriculum and ClassCharts

I look forward to the rest of the term and the exciting opportunities it will bring for the students and the school, and hopefully we will be able to meet with you in the coming months.

Kind Regards

Mark Pain  
**Acting Headteacher**

Yours sincerely



Mr Pain  
**Headteacher**