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Dear Parents/Carers

Term 2 Update

As we are now well into our second term, I wanted to take the opportunity to share some updates and key pieces of information for the year group.

Assessments

Assessments are taking place this term, and the results of these will be shared with your child in lessons and formally reported to you at the end of this term. This report will show their current attainment and end of year target. If you have any queries regarding specific subjects on the report once you have received it, please feel free to contact the subject teacher by email, who will be able to help.

Student newsletter

Each week a student newsletter is emailed to your child, informing them of upcoming events, extra-curricular activities and opportunities to involve themselves further in life at Chatham Grammar. If your child is interested in being part of the student team that creates this newsletter they can speak to Mrs Button, who is based in reception or alternatively they can email her at Button@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk

Online safety

Whilst the online world is a fantastic place, it gives us links to others worldwide. It enables us to do schoolwork, to play games and to communicate with friends and family near and far. We are accessing the online world more and more each day and that is why we need to ensure we are all educated in how to use it safely. We are a certified school with 'National Online Safety' and this gives us access to a range of resources for up to date information regarding online safety including webinars. As a parent/carer you can access guides to platforms such as TikTok, You Tube, Instagram and lots more. Please use this link, to join our platform and have online safety advice at your fingertips.

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/chatham-grammar>

Attendance

I also wanted to include a brief reminder regarding attendance. I am sure you can appreciate why we need to be updated swiftly if there are changes in the health of your child. Should your child be absent for any reason, please contact the school by 8.30am for each day of absence. You can call the main school number 01634 851262, selecting option 1 for attendance or email officecg@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk or attendancecg@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk .

Please give a brief explanation for the reason for absence and please keep the school updated with any changes. Should we need to discuss this further, you may be contacted by the Attendance Manager.

Year 9 Options

In January we will begin to explore the option process with Year 9 in preparation for the start of their GCSE's. These are important choices that your child will make, and they should be built upon their strengths, interests as well as your future career goals and aspirations. Further details outlining what this process will look like will be provided in the new year.

Christmas Dinner

Our school Christmas dinner is being held on Wednesday 15th December during the usual lunchtime slots. Students can pre-book in the Lime Lounge, the main meal and dessert option will cost £3.34.

Road Safety

As the nights are now becoming darker much earlier, please remind your child of the importance of taking extra care whilst crossing roads on the way to and from the academy and refraining from using electrical devices or headphones whilst crossing roads so they are not distracted from the traffic.

Yours sincerely,

Katy Lutz
Assistant Principal

OUR COMMITMENT TO YOUR PRIVACY

From time to time we may use your personal information to communicate newsletters or marketing information about events, products and services offered by the school which we feel are relevant to you. We will communicate marketing information to you on the basis of "legitimate interest" due to your current relationship with the school. You will find further information about how we use your personal information in our Data Privacy Notice by visiting <http://www.chathamgirlsgrammar.medway.sch.uk/privacy-parents/>. Should you wish to opt out of receiving these communications at any time you can do so by contacting the school office via email: officeCG@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk