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Dear Parent/Carer

End of Term Arrangements/Start of New Year 2020

Year 11 have had an excellent end to the year. Our 'pace and challenge' fortnight was a huge success and teachers were very impressed with the increased effort and determination displayed by students.

This term also saw our boy's football team reach the semi finals of the County Cup for the third year running! An incredible sporting achievement with fantastic support from student spectators.

Students will begin their PPE's (Pre Public Exams) on Monday 16th December and the majority of students have already shown dedication and diligence in their preparation for these exams. Within the Study Hub alone, the year group has amassed an incredible 3000 hours of revision time. The PPE's will continue after the Christmas break. All students have been given blank timetables to help them plan their revision to ensure a balance of work, rest and family time.

On January 8th all the Sports Science students will sit their first real GCSE papers so those students should spend a larger part of their revision time preparing for those exams.

Key Dates:

7 th January 2020	Students return to the Academy.
8 th January 2020	Sports Science GCSE exam.
15 th January 2020	"Community Matters" event from 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm – please click on link in covering email to register.
31 st January 2020	Deadline to order yearbooks and hoodies – please order via ParentPay*.
4 th February 2020 PPE	Mock exam results will be handed out during form time. Student will then have a talk from Mr Beezy, an inspirational and motivational speaker.
6 th February 2020	Parents evening: 4:15pm – 7:30pm. This is the last opportunity to meet with subject teachers before GCSE's commence. You will receive information regarding booking your appointments in mid-January.

• If you need help with accessing your ParentPay account, please email <u>finance@thehazeleyacademy.com</u> or call 01908 555620, option 4.

End of Term Arrangements

The Academy closes for the Christmas break on **Friday 20**st **December at 1.15pm** and this is a **non-uniform day** for all students and staff with proceeds going to house charities. To take part students are asked to make a £1.00 contribution. Monies will be collected in tutor groups in morning registration.





On the last day of term students will attend slightly shorter lessons for period 1 and 2 and then spend time with their form group or in end of year assemblies to recognise and celebrate the many and varied achievements of students throughout this year.

As a reminder, students should ensure that their lockers are emptied at the end of term and PE kits and personal belongings are taken home as the Academy will be closed for most of the Christmas period.

Start of the New Year 2020

Students will return on Tuesday 7th January 2020.

We are very pleased with the improved standard of uniform and thank parents for supporting us with this. Compulsory skirts are popular and even though house ties are not compulsory until September 2020 an increasing number of students are opting to wear them now. If you do need to replace a tie in the coming months, we would encourage you to purchase a house tie so you do not need to make another purchase in preparation for the compulsory wearing of house ties in September 2020.

If you need to make any uniform purchases over the Christmas period, you can purchase online or in person via the Academy uniform provider - https://kedaphschoolwear.co.uk

Replacement planners can be purchased from our Finance department for £3.00.

The first few days after any school holiday, the roads around the Academy are busier than normal and traffic is heavy so please leave a few minutes earlier for your journey to allow for this.

For safety, students travelling by bicycle to the Academy should ensure they wear a cycle helmet and have lights. They should also bring a padlock to secure their bicycle in the bike racks throughout the day.

A new extra-curricular timetable will also be released in the New Year and will be available to view on the Hazeley Website under the tab of "Extra-Curricular". This is a great opportunity for students to take part in activities they maybe haven't tried before and fully embrace Academy life.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

I hope you enjoy spending time with friends and family.

Yours faithfully

Mr Monte Colombo Progress Leader – Year 11

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