



THE HOLGATE — ACADEMY —

May I start this letter with a well done to all the students who have received rewards for their; Manners, Determination and Teamwork.

We have now arrived at the end of the summer term and since September 575 reward cards have been handed out. Students who meet the criteria are not limited by winning once, but consistent application of Manners, Determination and Teamwork will enable them to be in the draw each week. Prizes range from; Q jumping at the canteen, non-uniform days to stationary packs and school trips.

Over 200 students have received subject reward events due to outstanding effort, or an outstanding piece of work. All those students that hit the highest levels of Manners, Determination and Teamwork each assessment point were invited to a special event. This has ranged from; a cinema trip, to a treasure hunt and pizza.

Students have received certification for the number of positive points they have received. There are a number of levels students can achieve with the total positive point score ; year leader, senior leader, principal and governor awards. Our first few students are just starting to get to the governor level. As governors it is excellent to see large numbers of our students achieving so many rewards.

School trips took a hit during the COVID pandemic however I am glad to report that school trips are in full flow once again. Incredibly, we have had over 25 trips leave the site this year already and more to come with over 600 of our students, including the majority of year 7 taking part.

The academy has held 2 enrichment periods this year with students all learning 'something' beyond our normal curriculum. We also have a substantial extra-curricular programme that includes many clubs to support academic achievement and also activities beyond the normal curriculum.

Governors are looking forward to welcoming the new Year 7 students to our academy on the 13th, 14th and 15th July for their transition days with us. 240 year 6 students from the local area and beyond will be able to enjoy three days of activities at The Holgate Academy to prepare them for secondary school life.

As our academy grows in size we have recently employed a number of new staff who will be joining us in September. We are looking forward to working alongside these new colleagues in the new school year.

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