

Governor's Termly Newsletter

As another term draws to an end, I would like to thank all staff, students, parents and governors who have contributed to the Holgate Community. The impact of small gestures of kindness and encouragement, supporting the school with behaviour and attendance policies and a positive learning attitude has made a difference to the culture of the academy.

We have been sorry to see the Principal Matt Pennington leave but wish him well in his new role within the trust and would like to thank all members of staff who have taken on new responsibilities whilst we look for someone to lead us into the next academy year.

Recently I had the opportunity to spend the morning being shown round the academy, meeting with some enthusiastic staff and seeing students in action in lessons. I saw how well the Day to Day books work for the majority of students and was impressed how well some of the year 7s were able to voice their feelings about school life so far.

It is great to see how many year 6s have chosen Holgate to continue their academic career and look forward to meeting you in the summer during your transition days, we hope you embrace many of the opportunities that the academy will offer you during your time here

The main focus at this time of year has to be the year 11s. I have heard about the work that the staff are putting in to help you get the best outcomes possible. It is never too late, work hard for the next couple of months and take the help offered to you. As governors we are following the data and can already see improvements in attendance and know this will make a positive difference. Good luck!

As the school holidays begin, I hope all our community get a well earned rest and happy Easter break and to return refreshed for next term.

Kate Turner

Chair of Governors