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Dear parent / guardian



End of Half Term Update

I am proud that our students have worked so hard since returning in January to follow **The Bridge Way**, which is how we behave and learn. Increasingly students are in the **right place at the right time**; **learning hard** and **working towards the RAISE values**, and have been rewarded for doing so.

Uniform

As we approach the Spring and Summer months, and as we increase our Widening Horizons offer, we are making some changes to the school uniform expectations. From Monday 19th February, the following expectations are in place:

- All students **must** wear the Bridge Academy **Blue** polo shirt with Logo & Values embroidered
- If students would like to wear a jumper, it **must** be the Bridge Academy **Blue** jumper with Logo & Values embroidered. We do not allow hoodies, or coats in school.
- Students can **choose** to wear either **Black** or **dark grey** school trousers; **Black** or **dark grey** tracksuit bottoms / jogger bottoms or a **Black** or **dark grey** school skirt, with the end of the skirt no higher than one handspan above the knee.
- All students **must** wear **Black** shoes, which can be either school shoes, or plain **black / dark** trainers.

We are proud of our students for wearing the school uniform, and having a sense of belonging at The Bridge Academy. The changes we are making still ensure that students wear their polo shirt and jumper, but having the opportunity to wear tracksuit or jogger bottoms, will ensure students can access our Enrichment activities in the warmer months.

Teacher Training Day

We have made an adjustment to the school calendar, moving one of our Teacher Training Days to this Friday 9th February. Therefore, school will close to students for February Half Term on Thursday 8th February at 2:15pm and reopen to students at the normal time on Monday 19th February.

For information about keeping safe over half term, please see the 'Safeguarding' section of our website. I wish you and your family a restful break.

Yours faithfully

Elliot Payne
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