



15th February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you all well. We are now well into in our final week of a very busy half term and looking forward to the half term holiday.

Sixth Form

On Thursday, Year 11 students had a very enjoyable Sixth Form Taster Day experiencing lessons in their chosen subjects for next year. Along with the Senior Leadership Team I will be interviewing a number of our Year 11 students to support them in their progression. I am looking forward to finding out more about their aspirations and reflections on their recent mock examinations.

Advance information on Year 11 and Year 13 Examinations

The examination boards have now published advance information on the content of most GCSE, AS and A level exams in summer 2022 on their public websites. This is part of a package of support for students to help make exams as fair as possible this year in light of the disruption caused by the pandemic. Due to the wide variety of specifications covered, the different conventions within subject domains, and how those are assessed, advance information will be different for each subject. You can read this on this link: [Subject-by-subject support for GCSE, AS and A level students in 2022 - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/guidance/subject-by-subject-support-for-gcse-as-and-a-level-students-in-2022). If your child has any questions on what this means for them I encourage them to speak to their teacher who can support them further in their exam preparations.

Year 1 Sports Festival

Last Thursday we welcomed Year 1 children from local primary schools to a Sports Festival which was run by Sports Leaders from Year 9. I would like to commend the following students who were an absolute credit to the school demonstrating leadership and enthusiasm resulting in an extremely enriching experience for all the Year 1 children. Well done Ella Harley, Mia Miles, Sophie Richards, Frankie MacLennan, Harry Buckley, Josh Pope, Jake Rangecroft, Izzy Fitzjohn, Olivia Edwards, Nathan Chick, Lily Dzido, Huxley Andrews-Gizzy, Luke Stevens, James Dorrington and James Hardy.

Congestion and parking

As you may be aware the morning and afternoons are very busy with buses arriving and leaving. If you need to bring your child to school by car or pick them up in your car please do not use the turning circle at the front of the school. It is dangerous for children who then walk across to cars when buses are arriving and leaving at the same time. May I also remind you not to use Tunmers Close which is a private residential area. Staff are on duty in the morning and afternoon to supervise students arriving and leaving



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school but cannot supervise students safely and deal with traffic and parking at the same time. In addition we have experienced a high volume of cars to the rear of the school which has caused significant congestion. Please could you collect and drop your child away from the school and encourage them to walk the remaining short distance to and from school.

PaSTA

I would like to thank PaSTA (Parent and Student, Teacher Association) for organising a 'Last Rolo' fundraising event. Thank you so much to parents who volunteered their time to sell the paper hearts on Thursday and Friday lunchtime. This was an amazing success with students paying £1.00 for sending a kind message to their friends and teachers including an individually wrapped Rolo, which was delivered to all on Valentine's Day. All proceeds go towards the outdoor classroom cover we are all working towards. A special thanks go to Flowers Unique, who very kindly donated cellophane wrap, demonstrating the growing strong links between our school and local community.

It was a pleasure to meet with PaSTA recently to discuss future fundraising events now that COVID restrictions have been eased. I am looking forward to the opportunity to meet many of you at our next quiz night, details to follow. If you would like to know more about our association please visit their website page [The Chalfonts Community College - Parent and Student, Teacher Association](#)

I hope you and your families have a very enjoyable half term holiday.

Yours faithfully,



Mrs C Whitehead
Principal

Key Dates:

Friday 18th February - Students break up

February Half Term

Monday 28th February - Return to school

Friday 8th April - End of Term