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February 28<sup>th</sup> 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

- Welcome Back
- Re-scheduled Parent Forum
- Governor Recruitment

I hope you all enjoyed a positive and enjoyable half term. I wrote to you at the end of last term to let you know that I am now based permanently at City Academy. During Mr Wilson's absence, I am taking the position of Acting Headteacher, working closely with Ms Adeoye and Ms Nolan and our entire staff team to unlock the talent and potential of each and every one of our young people.

We are excited to see our students back at City Academy today for the launch of our new timetable. We have adapted the shape of our Academy day to improve our students' experience, details are set out at the end of this letter. Please note the start and end times of the day do not change but students go straight to their first lesson at 8.30; do please encourage your child to arrive by 8.25 a.m. to ensure a swift start to their learning in the mornings.

We are also launching simplified behaviour rules this week, based on ensuring our students are:

- **Ready**
- **Respectful**
- **Safe**

It is essential that students arrive to school wearing correct uniform and carrying the equipment they need for lessons. Your continued support with this is appreciated as part of our drive to ensure the highest standards of excellence for our students.

We have a number of exciting events ahead this half term, including our involvement in the Echo Eternal project; this is a national project to educate young people about the Holocaust. Twenty-five of our students have a unique opportunity to create a piece of physical theatre working with a talented professional, inspired by the memorial of Holocaust Survivor, Maurice Blik. We are looking forward to their performance at the Birmingham REP on March 28<sup>th</sup>.

This half term is a critical time for our year 11, 12 and 13 students as their GCSE and A Level exams approach. Staff will be working extremely hard to make the most of every lesson and there will also be a continued programme of enrichment and catch-up lessons for students to push themselves that extra mile and achieve the best possible grades. You will receive regular updates of enrichment opportunities including our Easter holiday timetable.

I am delighted to attach details of Governor Recruitment to the Local Governing Board of City Academy. This is a great opportunity for parental representation on our journey of continuous improvement, please note the deadline for returns is Monday March 6<sup>th</sup>.



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I had hoped to meet with parents on Thursday March 1<sup>st</sup> to give an early opportunity to talk about the changes to the timetable and our simplified behaviour rules. However, due to the predicted arctic conditions, I have taken the decision to postpone this meeting and instead use the slot currently in our Academy Calendar on April 19<sup>th</sup> at 4.30pm. Do please let us know using the reply slip below if you would like to attend that meeting so that we can cater for the expected numbers. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any queries or concerns.

Best wishes,

Emma Leaman  
Acting Headteacher, City Academy  
Director of Education, CORE Education Trust

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**April 19<sup>th</sup> Parent Forum Evening 4.30p.m.**  
**Please complete and return the form below by Thursday April 6<sup>th</sup> 2018:**

**Student name and form:** \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to attend the April Parent Forum Evening.

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

City Academy New Shape of Day, March 2018

08:30 – 09:30	Period 1
09:30 – 10:30	Period 2
10.30 – 10.40	Yrs. 7,8,10 Form Tutor a.m. Registration Yrs. 9 & 11 Break
10:40 – 10.50	Break All Year Groups
10.50 – 11.00	Yrs. 7,8,10 Break Yrs. 9 & 11 Form Tutor a.m. Registration
11:00 – 12:00	Period 3
12:00 – 13:00	Period 4
13:00 – 13:30	Yrs. 7, 8 & 10 Lunch Yrs. 9 & 11 Form Tutor p.m. Registration
13:30 – 14:00	Yrs.7, 8 & 10 Form Tutor p.m. Registration Yrs. 9 & 11 Lunch
14:00 – 15:00	Period 5

