

16th February 2024

February Update Letter

Dear Parents/Carers,

At Corby Technical School, the community has seen numerous accomplishments and participated in a variety of events during Term 3. This has been yet another fantastic term. As a part of our vibrant community, our students never stop working hard, encouraging one another, and moving forward together. As part of their preparation for their GCSE and A level exams, our Year 11 and 13 students have been working hard this term and completing assessments.

We are delighted to be hosting our Careers Fair on March 7th and as in previous years the event will be supported by local businesses from a range of different industries. All students will attend across the day and parents/carers will have the opportunity to attend after school and discuss routes into the various sectors with employers. We received some excellent feedback from the exhibitors last year and they are looking forward to working with our staff and students again.

This term we were thrilled to host a planetarium from Imperial College in conjunction with Oundle School. Year 7 students and our KS5 physicists experienced an interactive show about our solar system where they were able to view planets, moons and other components in an amazing interactive display run by a presenter from Imperial College London. Year 12 students also took part in a Road Safety workshop with the Kier Group, this was an informative and thought-provoking session to ensure our students stay safe on the roads.

Northamptonshire Foundation Trust visited recently as part of Children's Mental Health Week, the team held assemblies with all students sharing with them how their voice can support in improving services for young people on the county.

During Term 4 our students will be completing the following work in their PSHE lessons:

- Year 7 – Healthy Lifestyles
- Year 8 – E-Safety (RSE)
- Year 9 - E-Safety (RSE)
- Year 10 – Citizenship
- Year 11 – Money Management and Contractual Terms

For all of our parents'/carers support this term, we would like to thank you. Additional helpful information and important dates for this academic year are on the back of this letter.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs A Reynolds
Principal

KEY INFORMATION

Collection of students from school:

Please can all parents/carers ensure that they park safely in our front car park at the end of the school day and ensure that they prioritise the safety of students in the car park by waiting patiently for students to cross the car park. We are happy to allow parents to use our car park for collection, but if this use compromises student safety we may have no choice but to close our gates.

Parent/Carer Consultation Evenings/School Events:

Below are details of Parent/Carer Consultation evenings and school events for this next term, please note parent/carers consultation evenings will take place virtually. Further details will be sent in due course.

- Wednesday 6th March 2024 – Year 9 Parent/Carer Consultation Evening (online)
- Thursday 7th March – 2024 – 4.30pm to 6.00pm - SEND Information Evening (in school)
- Thursday 7th March 2024 – Careers Fair (in school)
- Tuesday 12th March 2024 – 5.00pm to 7.30pm - Year 9 Options Evening (in school)
- Tuesday 26th March 2024 – Year 7 Parent/Carer Consultation Evening (online)

We will also be holding in school events such as Learning Insight evenings as we have received positive feedback from these events that offer a great opportunity to meet staff in person as well as sharing important information.

Uniform:

Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform, students must wear black school shoes, trainers and leggings are not permitted.

Blazers are a standard part of our school uniform and all students are expected to wear their blazer each day, please be reminded that if your child wishes to wear a jumper underneath their blazer, it must be a school branded jumper. These are available from our school uniform provider. However, please also note that it is sufficiently warm in school that a jumper is not required, and it is also possible to wear a plain white top under a shirt if this is your child's preference.

Wisepay:

Please ensure your child has sufficient credit on their account to purchase breakfast and lunch in school. We are unable to contact parents/carers during the school day should your child have insufficient funds.

Bank Holidays:

- Friday 29th March 2024 – Good Friday
- Monday 6th May 2024 – Early May Bank Holiday

Staff Training Days:

- Wednesday 24th July 2024
- Thursday 25th July 2024