

19<sup>th</sup> July 2019

## JULY UPDATE LETTER 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

This update letter marks the conclusion of another outstanding year at Corby Technical School. It has been an amazing experience to see our Year 13 and Year 11 students, apply themselves so wholeheartedly to their studies in preparation for their final GCSE and A level examinations. These students have shown themselves to be excellent role models to our younger students and have set a foundation of aspiration and ambition for our younger year groups to replicate in the years to come. Year 13 students will receive their A level results on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August with Year 11 GCSE results on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August.

Corby Technical School has continued to offer a huge range of trips and visits that have concluded with our successful annual excursions to Belgium (Year 8), Germany (Year 9) and Barcelona (Year 10); all of which were received positively by all students and staff. Our Year 12 students had the opportunity to spend time on a residential at Northampton University, experiencing University life and taking part in exciting activities. Year 7 students visited Hunstanton and had a fantastic time there while Year 8 students took part in the STEM fest event at RS Components and Year 10 students visited the Car Crash Careers event at Northampton University. We have finished the summer term with our Celebration Evening, this evening was again, a huge success and a wonderful opportunity for student achievement to be celebrated and recognised by students, staff and families.

All students have enjoyed a range of extra-curricular excursions that have been fantastic opportunities to experience learning and broaden their horizons, including our annual Sports Day, BWT Bake Off competition and a visit from German exchange students visiting Corby from Velbert. As we move into our new academic year, we will review our programme and exciting news will follow early next term.

Finally, we welcome our incoming cohort of Year 7 students joining us on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September. They will join our vibrant school and our older students will no doubt make the new students quickly feel part of our school community.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all well for the summer break and we look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2019 when the school re-opens.

I would also to thank all our parents for their support over this academic year. On the reverse side of this letter you will find other useful information for the next academic year.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs A Reynolds  
Principal

## **REMINDERS FOR THE START OF THE NEW ACADEMIC YEAR:**

- Progress reports – As the school is moving to paperless communication, all student progress reports are now being sent electronically. Please note: The school is closed between 22nd July 2019 - 16th August 2019 and e-mails will not be monitored during this period.
- Communication – Please note the school is closed between 22nd July 2019 - 16th August 2019 and e-mails will not be monitored during this period. We will however, be open from 9.00am to 11.00am on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August for students collecting their A level results.
- School Uniform – We have recently changed our uniform supplier and uniform can be ordered using the following link (<https://www.corbytechnicalschool.org/page/?title=Uniform&pid=238>). You can also visit the shop which is based at Karlsports, Unit 7, Trafalgar Road, Kettering, Northants, NN16 8DB. There have been some subtle changes to the PE kit, school blazer and skorts are now available for PE. Please read all our helpful guidance on the school website before purchasing any new school uniform.
- Swipe Cards – If your child has lost their swipe card it is essential that this is replaced for the new academic year. This can be paid for on Wisepay.
- Equipment - Students will need to ensure that they start the new term with their own personal stationery. As a minimum students should have a black pen, a pencil, a ruler and an eraser. The school will provide any other stationery but it remains the responsibility of each student to be fully prepared for lessons with this basic set of equipment. Can we also remind that you that all students will need full kit for all PE lessons.
- School breakfast and lunch - Please can you ensure that your child has sufficient funds on their card to pay for school meals for the beginning of the new school year. This is the responsibility of the parent/carer to ensure that regular payments are made through Wisepay. We regret that we can not authorise any form of overdraft on a students account. We have a balance checker in school that students can use to check their own accounts.

## **Staff Training Days – (provisional, may be subject to change)**

- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019 – School training Day
- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2019 – School training Day
- Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2019 - Brooke Weston Trust Training Day
- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2019 – School training Day
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020 – School training Day
- Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2020 – School training Day
- Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June - 2020 - Brooke Weston Trust Training Day