



21st July 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to my last letter of the academic year and apologies it has arrived after term has ended. We have had such a busy end to the year that my letter took longer than expected!

The term has ended with a succession of activities including;

- Year 8 being involved in two days of Performance Workshops to develop their performance skills and confidence.
- 82 Year 10 learners completing their DoE Bronze Award expedition.
- A food bank collection which sent 50+ boxes of food to West Cheshire food bank.
- A group of Year 13 learners completing their DoE Gold Award expedition.
- A theatre workshop for all learners studying Drama in Years 10-12.
- A group of Sixth Form learners leaving on a residential to Dominica in the Caribbean as part of Operation Wallacea Schools Expeditions.
- An announcement from the DfE that the school is one of 61 schools in England to receive a multi-million pound investment in the school buildings.

This list represents just some of the activities taking place in the school and I am proud of the way the young people at Upton-by-Chester High School have thrown themselves into a whole host of activities throughout the academic year.

It has been great to be able to have a more normal academic year this year. Whilst everything is not quite back to normal following COVID we are starting to fully emerge from the challenges and grow again as a school community. This is evident in the increasing activities above and we are still keen to do more. There are some great new after school activities starting next year which we will share with you in September. This return to normality has been made easier through the support of the staff, the learners and the support that we receive from you as parents / carers. I am very grateful for your ongoing support and the confidence that you have in us as a school.

I hope that you all have a wonderful break during the summer and I look forward to welcoming all of our learners back to the school at the start of the next academic year. As you will be aware we return to school on Monday 5th September with all learners returning at the normal time of 8.40am. I will be in touch before the start of the new term to share the final arrangements.

As always, if you have any questions before then please do not hesitate to contact the school on admin@uptonhigh.co.uk or head@upton.co.uk

Yours faithfully

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