

17th December 2014

Dear Parent,

End of term arrangements

The last day of term is **Friday 19th December 2014** (lessons as normal – pupils to bring in their usual equipment for lessons). Pupils will be dismissed at 12.00 noon. This will be a non-uniform day for pupils. We are asking that pupils pay £1 for the privilege of not wearing uniform. The student charity commission have decided that the money we collect will be donated to 'Dementia UK'.

We will be saying goodbye to:

- Mr I Ahmed
- Ms O Ehinmonorin
- Ms S Mitchell
- Mr T Massally
- Ms B Williams
- Mrs D Halaire

School re-opens on **Monday 5th January 2015** when pupils should return to school at the normal time. The first week of term will be a Week 1 – your son or daughter will know what this means.

As from Monday 23rd February (after half-term) all pupils should be wearing the purple tie with their House colour stripe on it. The House colours are: Cartwright – Red. Somerville – Yellow. Newton – Green. Turing – Blue. The ties are available from our uniform outfitters:

Fashion Shop
138 High Street North
East Ham E6 2HT
Tel: 020 8552 3200

Lucilla Limited
177-181 Cranbrook Road
Ilford
Essex
IG1 4JA
Tel: 020 8554 5133

Ian Howard
409 Barking Road
East Ham
London E6 2JT
Tel: 020 8472 1729

Declaration of Result of Parent Governor Elections

As a result of the recent Parent Governor Elections the following parents have been elected as members of the Board of Governors of Stratford School Academy:

Kazi Ali
Aisha Naeem Sheikh

Dates for your diary

Thursday 15 th January	Year 11 Parents Evening
Friday 23 rd January 2015	School closed to pupils – staff training day
Wednesday 11 th February 2015	Year 8 Parents Evening
Monday 16 th February 2015	Half-term
Wednesday 11 th March 2015	School closed to pupils – staff training day
Thursday 14 th May 2015	School closed to pupils – staff training day

Fund Raising Events – Update

The School raised £300 for Cancer Research before the October half-term holiday.

Free School Meals

We would like to encourage all parents/carers to apply for free school meals for their child even if they have home or packed lunch every day because if you apply and are in receipt of one of the qualifying benefits your child's school will receive an additional £935 funding from the Government which is known as Pupil premium.

Application is made using a new e-form via the Newham website

<http://www.newham.gov.uk/Pages/Services/Free-school-meals.aspx> (e-forms are in the top right hand corner of this web page) - failure to register may result in payment being required. If you have any problems completing the e-form on line please do not hesitate to come into school for some guidance.

As from 5th January pupils having a free school meal will be offered a free drink of milk every day.

Parents Evening

Thank you to all the parents who attended the Year 9 Parents Evening this term. Attendance was 77%. Parental support makes a big difference to a school and we appreciate yours. Finally thank you to all of you who completed the parental questionnaire. The comments you made are all read and thought about.

Lost Property

Please remind your child that lost property can be claimed at Reception during break, lunchtimes and after school. It would be very helpful if pupils have their names marked on items of uniform - this will help us to return the item to them.

School Website

Visit Stratford School Academy website where you will see information on the school day and uniform, an online prospectus as well as a record of the many recent exciting activities that have taken place in our school.

Our website aims to give you a taster of what Stratford School Academy is all about along with a range of useful information.

You will also find a digital copy of our Termly Magazine which aims to highlight school events along with student achievements, trips and events.

I hope you enjoy your journey around our website, please do not hesitate to contact the school if you require further information or would like to see any information included in the future.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a happy and peaceful holiday.

Yours faithfully,



Andrew Seager
Headteacher