



GMN/JJA

30 March 2023

RE: END OF TERM ARRANGEMENTS

Thank you to all the staff, students, parents/carers and our community for all of your support this term. It has been the most difficult time for the Gateway community following the sudden death of one of our students Kayla Ere. We are incredibly grateful for the students, parents/carers, staff and community for pulling together and our thoughts remain with Kayla's mum, family and friends.

On Thursday 20 April 2023, the Academy will close at 11.15 am, so that Kayla's friends, staff and community can attend Kayla's funeral. We will of course, send you further details once the arrangements for the funeral have been finalised.

As, we approach the exam period, we are incredibly proud of our Year 11 students. What is apparent is how hard everyone is working to ensure we continue to "Improve Upon Our Best!" We have awarded, so far this academic year, over 352,886 positive points, over 800 Values badges, over 200 Academic badges and 612 Star of the Day Awards – absolutely brilliant. It is fantastic how many students have also received Golden Tickets and Head of School Awards this academic year for excellence in subjects or contribution to their school community.

Our trips have been very exciting and stimulating this term including a skiing trip to Italy, Cambridge University, London Excel 'Move It', the Scholars Programme Graduation at Oxford University, Stubbers Activity Centre and Covent Garden to see a ballet performed, to name but a few. Also, a massive thank you to the staff and students involved in the Senior Citizens Evening on Thursday 9 February 2023. A fantastic night enjoyed by all.

Friday 31 March 2023 will be the final day for students for the Spring Term. On this day, normal lessons will take place up until the end of the Academy day, when students will be dismissed. The Summer Term begins on **Monday 17 April 2023** with all years starting at **8.12 am**.

Details of this letter, together with a very large quantity of information, can be found on the Academy's website (<http://www.theglc-gatewayacademy.org.uk/>). Please feel free to visit the Academy's website regularly for updates.

There is not another Academy like Gateway and the spirit of our Academy is evident every single day. Thank you to the staff/students and you, the parents/carers!

Finally, I want to wish you all a lovely Easter break and I look forward to working with the staff, students, parents/carers, governors and community to ensure we continue to do all that we can to support our wonderful students. Can I ask parents and carers to encourage their child to do some revision over the break and spend a significant amount of time reading.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely

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