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Dear Parents/Carers

I am thrilled to announce that the Department of Education has officially validated the GCSE results for The Gateway Academy. Our school continues to set new standards, with our students ranking among the highest achievers in Thurrock. Notably, our students' progress in Maths is the top in the Borough and in English, it is the third highest. Across the board, the majority of our subjects exceed the national average for both progress and attainment. This success is a testament to the dedication of our staff, students, parents and carers, who collaborate to make The Gateway Academy an outstanding institution.

Moreover, our student attendance remains consistently above the national average, underscoring our commitment to providing an exceptional education. Witnessing our students' drive and motivation first hand in their daily lessons is truly inspiring.

On a different note, we are increasingly concerned about the impact of social media on our students. We have observed several issues spilling over into Academy life, often originating from 'group' chats, particularly on platforms like Snapchat. I kindly request that parents and carers actively monitor their child's activity on these platforms, ensuring they are both mindful of what they post and what they receive. It is essential to engage in regular conversations with your child about whether social media is enhancing their happiness or detrimentally affecting their wellbeing. If it is the latter, I urge you to consider limiting their usage accordingly.

A reminder of the key dates coming up next half term

FEBRUARY 2024	MARCH 2024
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mon 26-Feb 0815 All Years Start (Years 7-11) ➤ Mon 26-Feb Years 7 - 9 Assessments (for two weeks 26 February - 08 March 2024) ➤ Year 10 PPEs (for two weeks 26 February - 08 March 2024)" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Thur 07-Mar 1600-1900 Year 11 Parents' Evening (2) ➤ Wed 27-Mar Diphtheria, Tetanus & Polio and Meningitis ACWY (Year 9) ➤ Thur 28-Mar End of Term ➤ Friday 29 March - Friday 12 April - Easter Holidays

Wishing you and your families a wonderful break and a heartfelt thank you for your support.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely

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