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Date: 25<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this bi-weekly letter finds you well. As I constantly say, the time is flying by here at Callerton Academy. I spent my afternoon before writing this letter in with the 7UP vocal group with Mr Szunko and what a joy it was! The students have extracurricular activities every Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons and the staff and students really enjoy these lessons. The activities are very wide ranging and students have selected their own clubs for this half term after 'tasting' all the options in the first term of Year 7.

I have a few notices for you this week:

### **Advance Notice – End of the Term – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2022**

At the end of every school term, the students finish at 12pm. This means that on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December, students will finish school at 12pm, so students who get picked up, will need to be collected at this time. Students who get the school buses will arrive at the Simonside Site or the Galafield Centre at approximately 12:25pm. I'll put a reminder of this in the final letter of the school year.

### **Online Safety Newsletter**

This month's monthly e-safety newsletter which is posted on the website. The link is [here](#). Northumbria Police have also sent us some information regarding this for parents and carers, which can be found [here](#). Since the pandemic, nationally there has been a rise in concerning behaviour of young people online. We as a community need to continue to work with our young people, educating them to be safe, happy and healthy online. This monthly newsletter should support you as parents to be more informed and therefore help with supervision of your children on the internet. We are working hard on this in school and as usual if you need any support please do not hesitate to contact us on 0191 605 3835 or on [admin@callertonacademy.org.uk](mailto:admin@callertonacademy.org.uk).

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## **Our Uniform Provider is Moving Premises**

Our uniform provider, Micheal Seghal's and Sons is moving from the City Centre to new premises in Kingston Park for January 2023. Their city centre store is now closed, but they are open, business as usual, for online orders, which you can get delivered to school for free.

Remember, please contact us if you need help with the purchase of uniform. We can help! Contact Miss Jamieson on 0191 605 3835, or email on [admin@callertonacademy.org.uk](mailto:admin@callertonacademy.org.uk) for confidential support.

## **Appointments in School Time**

Students are not allowed to have time off during school hours for medical or dentist appointments unless completely unavoidable, such as emergency appointments. In those unavoidable circumstances we have made some changes to our processes.

Therefore, moving forward, we would kindly ask all parents and carers if your child has an appointment that you call on 0191 605 3835, email on [admin@callertonacademy.org.uk](mailto:admin@callertonacademy.org.uk), or write a note in your child's planner to inform us of this appointment. Your child should then come to reception on the day of the appointment to collect a pink slip. The office staff will distribute this slip to your child which will enable them to leave lessons and school for their appointment. This slip can be picked up at breaks and lunchtimes. Students must take responsibility for their appointment and arrive at reception at the right time for their appointment.

## **Sikh Service Visits for Year 7 – Notice from Mr Hughes**

Religious studies gives students great opportunities to learn about other cultures and ways of life. In their first term at Callerton Academy, our Year 7's have been learning all about Sikhism from its origins to what Sikhs value and how they lead their lives. On Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December, the school will be welcoming Jaswinder Singh from the North East Sikh Service to take part in a discussion and a question and answer session with our students. It's a great opportunity for our Year 7 students to share their Sikh knowledge and develop their curiosity for the religion and of other cultures.

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## Facebook for our Great News Stories

We're now posting nearly daily on our Facebook page. The Facebook page is full of the great things that your children are doing every day at Callerton Academy. Please follow us through this [link](#).

Yours faithfully,



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