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Dear Families,

I want to thank you for your continued support during last half term. The students at Dixons Unity continue to meet our high expectations and work towards our vision that: all students were successful at university or a real alternative, they lived happy and purposeful lives. Our values help everyone to meet the vision. Resilience: We work hard, overcome obstacles, and never give up. Respect: We are polite, value others and treat everyone fairly. Integrity: We are honest and always do the right thing, even when no-one is watching.

It was an honour to recognise our students in our first Cycle Recognition Assembly. The students were nominated by curriculum areas and other key staff. It was wonderful to see so many families attend the event and I am sure you will agree it was a fantastic evening. We look forward to seeing more families at upcoming events.

It is important that students are always in full uniform, please contact the academy if you need any support with this. We have uniform and shoes for students to lend, and this system is working well. There have been some recent changes to our uniform supplier. Please click the link below for a recent communication regarding our uniform suppliers, policies and procedures. If you have any questions or need any support with uniform, please get in touch with the academy. <https://www.dixonsua.com/uploads/files/About/Document-Library/Uniform-letter.pdf>

We would also like to take this opportunity to remind you of our jewellery policy in the academy. The only jewellery that is permitted is a wrist watch. Any other jewellery must be removed. Any jewellery that is seen by a member of staff will be confiscated and students may collect this at the end of the day. We will contact families if students are not conforming to the policy and we thank you in advance for your support.

There will be no expectation for staff or students to wear face coverings in communal areas or classrooms. Staff and student absence in our academy due to Covid is reducing. The local data also supports the removal of face coverings.

We will be making some changes to our upcoming Parent's Evenings to encourage attendance. Parent' Evenings are currently scheduled for Thursday 17th March and Thursday 31st March for Year 8 and 9. We will be offering appointments for both Year 8 and 9 on both evenings. You will only need to attend one of the two evenings. We will be communicating with you further about these evenings next week.

A reminder that our Data and Planning days are 10 and 11 March, please check our website for all term dates.

Thank you for all you do to support Dixons Unity,



Gemma Rothenburg

Principal

