



## **GREIG CITY ACADEMY**

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*Principal: Mr. P. V. Sutton O.B.E. B.Sc. M.A.*

9<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to inform you of the date of our next INSET (staff training) day and share some reminders from the Academy.

### **Twilight INSET – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

School will close early at 1:10pm on this day, so students will be sent home directly after their period 4 lesson. Students are expected back at the usual time, 08:20 (for Years 7,8 & 9) and 08:40 (for Years 10 & 11) the following day.

### **Year 11 Timetable Changes**

In order to support your child in their GCSE preparation, from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020, Year 11 students will have a compulsory period 6 lesson (from 15:00-16:00) each Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Each year, this is introduced for Year 11 students to increase the amount of time they spend studying and revising for their option subjects. This has proved to be very successful with Year 11 pupils in the past. Please support us to ensure that your child uses this opportunity to its fullest – especially following the lengthy school closure at the end of the last academic year which inevitably led to lost learning time.

### **School Uniform**

I would like to thank parents for your support on maintaining a high standard of school uniform and I am pleased to report that almost all of our students are coming to school properly dressed for the day. Please make sure that ties, jumpers and blazers are worn when your child is leaving the house in the morning.

Please note that school jumpers are compulsory for all students following the October half-term holiday up until the Summer Term in 2021. Students are expected to wear their blazers all year.

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind parents about the requirements of school trousers. School trousers must be plain black, tailored and loose fitting. No denim or leggings are allowed. Pupils are not permitted to wear skinny trousers.

We check students at the gate each morning and any student not meeting the school's expectations in terms of appropriate trousers or appearance should expect to be sent home with a letter informing you of the reason. We appreciate that for some students this will mean changing their style of trousers. We expect all trouser issues to be resolved over the October half-term holiday.

In addition to this, students are not permitted to wear trainers at school. If students do not have the correct footwear, we will send them home to get their school shoes. If students do not have appropriate shoes at home, we will lend them a pair of school shoes for the day. Notes in planners will not be accepted.

A further reminder that jewellery should be kept to a minimum – only one set of plain earring studs are allowed. No facial piercings are permitted. Hairstyles should be appropriate for a school/work environment and only natural colour with no highlights, lowlights or any bright colours.

Children will try to modify the school uniform. Please adhere to this guide and do not allow students to bend the uniform rules or sway your judgement about what constitutes school uniform. In all cases, the school will determine whether your child meets the school's expectations with regard to both uniform and appearance.

Your continued support in these matters is greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P.V. Sutton', written in a cursive style.

Mr P.V. Sutton OBE  
Principal