



7th March 2022

Dear parents and carers,

INSET Day – Wednesday 16th March

A reminder that school is closed to students on Wednesday 16th March for staff training.

Cycle Path Closure

As you will be aware, the Cycle Track opposite City Academy has been closed in both directions. I was extremely concerned for the safety of our pupils and we felt strongly that the diversion that was put in place was not suitable given the lack of a safe place to cross the road as well as the narrow width of the pavement on Whitehall Road.

Thank you to the parents that have shared their concerns with us and the Council.

We contacted senior management in Sustrans and Bristol City Council who agreed that urgent improvements to their diversion routes needed to be made. Additional signage has been erected today and the Bristol City Council Network Management Team will be putting up temporary 4-way signals to control the traffic, so that the path can be widened and a pedestrian crossing added, making it safe for the students to walk along the pavement and cross the road.

Please could you help by talking to your children about ensuring they are sensible when leaving school, and to ensure they follow the diversion signs, and cross at the crossing.

More information about the cycle path works can be found here:

<https://www.sustrans.org.uk/our-blog/projects/2019/england/making-the-bristol-and-bath-railway-path-better-for-all/>

Year 11 End of School Day

As Year 11 finish their mocks this week, they will now finish school at 3.20pm daily for the rest of the academic year.

We will be running after school, tutoring programmes, that students will be invited to according to their needs identified from the mocks. You will be contacted directly if this applies to your child.

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Parents Evenings

The following parents evenings are taking place in the coming weeks. Year 11 on Thursday 31st March and Year 10 on Thursday 7th April. These will be taking place in person at City Academy. You will be sent a letter and login details to book appointments shortly.

Attendance

We have seen an improvement in attendance over the past weeks. Thank you for all your support in ensuring your child attends each day, we know this gives your child the best chance of success. If you do have any concerns about your child's attendance and would like support with this, please do contact our attendance team.

Thank you for your support,

Best wishes

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