

Our ref: ljm/KDV/Correspondence

17 December 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Re. End of Term

I just wanted to send a short letter on behalf of all of us at The City of Leicester College to thank you all for your ongoing support. This calendar year has been challenging for all of us and yet as a school I feel we have made real progress towards delivering the outstanding educational provision that our community deserves. None of this would have been possible without the selflessness, determination and professionalism shown by our staff and I know that a number of you have gone out of your way to thank them for everything they have done for your children this year. None of our staff do this job to be thanked, but your small kindnesses have a very positive impact when things are getting really tough so I wanted you to know how much we all appreciate it.

Of course, we could not have done any of it without your ongoing support and I want to say a huge thank you again, for placing your trust in us. You have ensured your children have turned up to school every day, on time and with the right attitude. You have supported the school when your child has fallen short of the high standards we expect. You have made us aware of issues that were affecting your children's education and you have provided a safe environment for your children when they have had to self-isolate. You have achieved all of this while facing the normal challenges of everyday life and the extra challenges associated with living through a pandemic which has been no easy task. I would ask that you all take some time over the Christmas period to reflect and celebrate all of your successes, despite everything you have faced this year.

We are not open to students at all on Friday 18 December and we will reopen our doors to our students on Tuesday 5 January 2021 at 08:30 as normal. If between now and next Wednesday one of our students tests positive, can I ask that you contact covid19@cityleicester.leicester.sch.uk as soon as possible. You may also have seen the news that from January, rapid testing will be available to all secondary school students. As is the case with most of these announcements, we received no warning of this and as you can imagine there is a lot to organise to make sure any testing on site is safe and well organised. I will be in touch again in early January with an update because currently, I am not even sure how many test kits we will be receiving.

I hope you have a wonderful holiday in whatever way that you can as you all deserve it!

Kind regards,



Ken Vernon
Head Teacher