

19 December 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

As Acting Headteacher of Great Barr Academy, I would like to take the opportunity to wish you and your family a wonderful break over this festive period.

Here are some reminders we would welcome your support on please.

On returning to school in January 2020, could you please ensure that your child is ready for the new school term and is wearing full school uniform, including a tie and blazer, and also suitable school shoes (a black leather type shoe that you are able to polish) - specifically not any form of Nike Air trainers.

Front of school bus terminal.

We would also like to remind you about the works at the front of school and give advanced warning of some traffic disruption. From 6th January 2020 until possibly 26 February 2020, there will be two-way traffic lights on the Aldridge Road outside of school between the hours of 7.00am and 5.00pm. This obviously has the potential to cause major disruption.

We would recommend that children allow some extra time for travelling and that parents who drop their children at school do so 300 metres from the school entrance to ease congestion. The exception to this is if your child has a disability.

Hands Off Policy

In the new term we are having a focus on physical contact between students. We are introducing a new Hands Off policy and we would welcome your support as a parent in speaking to your child about this. Full details of the policy will be sent to you via a link to the website in the new term.

Have a restful holiday period and a Happy New Year.

Yours faithfully



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