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Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: Standards and Expectations**

As the summer term approaches, we are very keen to ensure we maintain our high standards and expectations, particularly as Year 10 will be doing their PPE examinations. This is also the final term before they enter Year 11 when they will be working hard towards their final GCSE examinations. We want to ensure all our students are ready to learn and in good habits.

In view of this, I am writing to remind you of our key expectations and to ask for your support in talking to your son/daughter about the importance of meeting these requirements.

**Attendance and Punctuality:** Every lesson counts. Missed lessons means missed learning. It is also important that students are punctual to lessons. When a student is even a few minutes late, this means they miss the vital recap and review starter of the lesson.

Lateness to lessons more than three times in a week will result in a form tutor monitoring report: this aims to improve the student's punctuality and to encourage them to be on time and ready for learning. Minutes lost will be made up at the end of the day with the form tutor. Failure to do so will lead to a 30-minute detention on the subsequent school day with me or another senior member of staff. You will also need to ensure that you are signing the report, so we are aware that the students are having conversations about their attendance at home as well.

**Equipment:** it is important that all our students are ready for learning, and this means with correct equipment. Both for lessons and the PPE examinations, students must have two black pens for all subjects, a pencil and a ruler. Individual subjects have their own suggested equipment list as well. If students are unable to meet these expectations consequences will be put in place by their form tutors. If students are struggling to maintain this organisation it may help to ensure they have a bag and pencil case with the stated equipment in. Whilst the school can provide basic equipment for students, some are coming to staff daily for this when they should be looking after their equipment.

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**Uniform:** Our school ethos values our uniform policy as a way of being proud of our community at Chantry Academy. All students need to be in correct uniform each day and also for any public examinations. Please help to support this by reviewing our uniform list. We understand that sometimes there are real barriers to meeting some of the uniform expectations at different times of the year. If this is the case, please do contact me so we can provide support. Leggings, hoodies, nose piercings and trainers with coloured soles or logos are not acceptable (any trainers should be all black with no coloured soles or logos) so students should not be entering the building with these items. As KS4 students we expect the Year 10s to be setting a good example for our other students so we will be ensuring that their uniform is to the high standard we expect at the academy.

Looking forward to replacement uniform for the next academic year, in September, I urge you to check our uniform policy or seek advice before making unnecessary purchases that are not part of our uniform code.

I hope you all have had a restful break this half term. May I also add that it has been a real pleasure to see so many of our year 10 students developing in their confidence and commitment to their studies over the year as well as students engaging in extra-curricular revision activities. Throughout this term I will continue to provide a space for students to revise on Tuesdays and Wednesdays after school, but they are also free to use the refectory if they would like any day after school.

Thank you for your continued support with helping us to maintain our high standards. Please get in touch with either myself or your child's form teacher if you have any concerns or queries. I hope we have a productive and enjoyable summer term.

Yours faithfully

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Head of Year 10