



Hall Green School An Academy

17 February 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

As we near the end of the first half of the Spring term, a few reminders in this letter about our standards, key dates, and information about how to help your child(ren) make safe choices. I urge you also to read our latest newsletter which is packed full of fantastic stories about life at Hall Green School. Click [here](#) to read this exciting edition.

Making safe choices: The dangers of vaping

National statistics show vaping is increasing amongst children. This is a worrying statistic, particularly considering some of the unknowns around the long term dangers. What we do know from the evidence available, is that vaping is dangerous and addictive, and can lead on to more serious substance abuse. We have recently shared the dangers of vaping with all pupils through assemblies and PSHE lessons. All pupils are also clear vapes are on our banned item list.

Furthermore, we have been liaising with our local Schools Police Panel who have been working to ensure vapes are not sold illegally in local shops. According to the police, this has been an increasing problem as well as the issue of companies deliberately targeting young people through making vapes with sweet, enticing flavours.

I would encourage all parents/carers to have conversations with your child(ren) to ensure they fully understand the dangers, law, and school rules around vaping. Resources for parents/carers can be found on our [website](#) to support.

Uniform

All pupils should be in full school uniform at all times. Please see our dress code [here](#). Pupils should wear school PE kit on PE days but when in uniform, they must be in black school shoes. Any pupil arriving to school without the correct uniform should see their Head of House prior to going to lesson to obtain a yellow slip.

From Tuesday 1 March, coats will need to be removed in lessons. If we have a return of the cold weather, we will of course review this decision and communicate this to pupils on a day by day basis.

Key dates

Friday 18 February	Break up at 3.15 pm
Monday 21-25 February	Half term break
Monday 28 February	Training Day – School closed
Tuesday 1 March	Return to school at 8.40 am

A full set of term dates can be found [here](#).

I wish you all a happy and healthy half term break.

Yours faithfully



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