

Dear families

Welcome back to the new academic year at Dixons Trinity Chapeltown Academy. It was such a pleasure to see our students coming in through the gate with huge smiles on their faces, feeling glad to be back at school. The first day has been a great success. Everyone has worked hard to ensure that we successfully re-established our routines for behaviour and learning, for a strong and successful start to the year. 2023-24 is an important year for the Primary Phase as we welcome our first Y6 cohort and support them to achieving a good set of Statutory results. I look forward to continuing to collaborate with you on our development and progression this year, finding new ways to support and engage with each other.

Academy Day Changes

I would like to remind families of the changes to the structure of the day. The Academy will open for Primary students for **Breakfast Club at 8:00am**. If your child has secured a place at Breakfast Club, this will be communicated to you on an individual basis. Students must arrive at the **Primary Gate which opens at 8:30am and closes at 8:40am** to ensure they are fully ready to begin lessons at 8:45am prompt.

Primary		
All students		
08:45	09:15	Morning Meeting
09:15	10:05	Period 1
10:05	10:20	Break
10:20	11:10	Period 2
11:10	11:40	Period 3
11:40	12:10	Lunch
12:10	12:40	Break
12:40	13:00	Period 4*
13:00	13:45	Period 5*
13:45	14:30	Period 6*
14:30	15:15	Period 7*
15:15	15:20	Bag Collection

* Slight change to the lesson timings for Secondary cross phase lessons

Last year, we had many students who were collected late from school on a regular basis, which had a detrimental impact on staff time. Please show that you value the time and dedication of the Primary Team by **arriving on time at 3:20pm** to collect your child(ren).

Wrap Around Care provision will continue to be provided through PE Partner. They will offer 2 hours provision from 3:20pm-5:20pm to be paid directly through them. Please check the [PE Partner](#) website for further details nearer to the start of the academic year.



Once the start of year induction and settling in has been completed, we will offer a few free after-school clubs to ensure that our students have extra-curricular opportunities. The clubs will be run by staff from 3:30pm –3:50pm on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday. Further information will be communicated to you in a few weeks. Please be aware that any late pick up from clubs may result in your child's place being offered to another student.

Term Dates 2023-24

The term dates for the next academic year are outlined below.

Term 1 Wednesday 23 August* to Friday 20 October 2023

*Thursday 31 August 2022: All students to return as normal ready to start the academy day.

Holiday – Saturday 21 October to Sunday 5 November 2023

Term 2 Monday 6 November to Friday 22 December 2023

Holiday – Saturday 23 December to Sunday 7 January 2024

Term 3 – Monday 8 January to Friday 9 February 2024

Holiday – Saturday 10 February to Sunday 18 February 2024

Term 4 – Monday 19 February to Friday 29 March 2024

Holiday – Saturday 30 March to Sunday 14 April 2024

Term 5 – Monday 15th April to Friday 24 May 2024

Holiday – Saturday 25th May to Sunday 2 June 2024

Term 6 – Monday 3 June to Thursday 18 July 2024

Holiday – Friday 19 July onwards

Bank Holiday – Monday 28th August 2023

Bank Holiday – Monday 6 May 2024

Staff Data and Planning Day – Thursday 16 November 2023

Staff Data and Planning Day – Friday 17 November 2023

Staff Data and Planning Day – Friday 9 February 2024

Staff Data and Planning Day – Thursday 7 March 2024

Staff Data and Planning Day – Friday 8 March 2024

Staff Data and Planning Day – Thursday 18 July 2024

Eid closure date (To be confirmed nearer the time) – Monday 17 June 2024

Allergens

We have made a recent change to our health and safety policy which will come into effect in the new academic year. From August, our trust will no longer serve any products to students that contain or may contain nuts. As most school classrooms have a least one child with a nut allergy, this decision has been made to ensure the safety of all our students. As such, if your child brings in any birthday treats to share, please ensure that it contains no traces of nuts. The health and safety policy has been updated with further information and is available to view on the policies section of our website, but should you require any additional information, please email info@dixonstc.com or call the academy on 0113 512 5510.

Yours faithfully

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