

SDE/HWO

27<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Dear parent/carer

### **New Rewards Launch**

We are excited to share with you an overview of the updated rewards on offer for your child from this half term. In response to student voice and parent/carer voice, we have devised a two-fold package that will reflect the hard-work, commitment, and investment in learning of your child, with a blend of individual take-away rewards, experiences and prize draws for those who qualify.

### **Standards Reward and Homework**

Every half term, your child will earn a Golden Ticket if they meet the following benchmarks across three core standards:

- **95% Attendance.** Each half term, students will attend the Academy and aim to come every day. Every student who comes 95% of the time that half term will be eligible for this strand of the Golden Ticket. Any absences that are unforeseeable - such as hospital appointments, family circumstances etc. will be taken into account by the student's Student Achievement Leader.
- **95% Behaviour (positive, overall).** Students receive House Points for each lesson they attend and highly invest in. The more points they receive, the better the chance that they will meet the 95% positive threshold. If students receive a negative point, this will offset a positive one. Therefore, it is not necessarily about how many they get – students must ensure they receive few, if any, negatives, as the positives must outweigh the negatives overall.
- **A weekly Investment in Learning score of a four for Homework.** Homework for Year 7, 8 and 9 students has now been standardised across the Academy, meaning that - every week - your child will be issued six pieces of homework to complete on Satchel:One. These will be issued on a Monday, with a deadline of 4.00pm the following Monday, in a weekly cycle. To achieve an Investment in Learning score of a four for Homework, your child must complete all six pieces of homework, using their Knowledge Organiser to support them.

### **Half Term 4**

This half term, every student with a Golden Ticket will receive a large Toblerone chocolate bar, and a day's experience at Xscape Yorkshire, Castleford, on **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023**. Not only this, meeting the deadline for homework completion every week will mean that their Golden Ticket will be entered into a Golden Prize Draw for a pair of Dr Dre Beats Headphones – a phenomenal prize for one lucky student meeting all of these benchmarks.

We understand that at times there may be a barrier to completion of all six pieces of homework by the deadline. Therefore, your child will be offered the opportunity to 'earn back' their Investment in Learning score of four by attending Homework Club the following week (this takes place Monday-Thursday, 2.45pm-3.45pm in the Library). Their attendance and homework completion will be tracked, and their Investment in Learning score will be updated. Whilst their Golden Ticket will not be entered into the Golden Prize Draw, they will still earn the take-away prize and day's experience – an incredible offer for every student.


### **House Rewards**

As well as the Standards Reward, House Rewards will continue, and your child can be eligible for both parts of this two-fold offer. Your child can earn House Points by demonstrating our Key Drivers: Aspiration, Community, Confidence, Resilience, Responsibility, as well as: leadership, homework, oracy and reading, awarded by their teachers, form tutors and pastoral staff. House events and competitions will run every half term – your child can earn extra House Points by entering them. The top 50 students from each House at the end of the Autumn, Spring and Summer terms will get to enjoy an in-House Rewards event. The Spring term House Reward event (at the end of HT4) will be an immersive on-site cinema experience. This will include a programme, refreshments, popcorn sweets and ice-cream – another amazing opportunity.

There will be regular updates on social media, in assemblies and Tutor Time, and via App messages, each half term. We hope that you will agree this is a fantastic offer for your child and ask that you encourage your child to use their Knowledge Organiser to complete their homework, to both develop their confidence with subject-specific foundational knowledge and - at the same time – secure the chance of receiving a reward. We look forward to celebrating your child's successes with you.

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Yours faithfully



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