



7<sup>th</sup> June 2024

Dear parents & carers,

It has been lovely to welcome back all of our pupils following a half term break. On the whole they have returned in a really positive way!

### Assembly:

I have shared an assembly with all pupils this morning, which is attached for yourselves to see. It gives a little more clarity on shoes (as many pupils felt it was ambiguous) – hopefully this will support you in ensuring they are ready for school and keeping as many reward points as they can!

### Rewards:

I have shared with pupils this morning some of the ways we are changing and developing rewards at Birley. This led to a lot of excitement, and discussions as to how they can both gain extra reward points, and make sure they are not losing reward points through poor behaviour. There is information on the attached assembly PDF around rewards too.

### Year 11:

We always have a bittersweet point at this time of year for our year 11 pupils, who are preparing to leave school on Friday – and we will miss them – but know that they are excited for their future, and of course, the leavers BBQ and the Prom!

### Good News Stories!

We have some absolutely brilliant examples of our pupils' achievements and participation in different competitions and challenges on our school website – including culture week fundraising; our Youth Parliament students have been having a say on Sheffield policies; and we have some wonderful examples of pupils' work showcased both in school and as a published poem! Please find links to these on: <https://www.birleysecondaryacademy.co.uk/latest-news-2/>

### Assessments:

We have Year 10 mocks rapidly approaching, please encourage your Year 10 child(ren) to work hard for these and revise. We are also entering the end of year assessment window for Y7 to Y9. ADP reports will follow toward the end of term.

### Meet the Headteacher and Leadership Team:

This is taking place on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June from 5:30 – 6:30pm in school – please sign in at the bottom of the stairs and you will be signposted to the meeting room! I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on the evening.

Kind regards,

Mrs Victoria Hall  
Headteacher

