

Message from Mr Maltby

20th October 2021



Good afternoon,

We are now approaching the half term break, with a polite reminder that on Friday there is a PD Day so all students begin their half-term break tomorrow afternoon. I am also pleased to announce the Academy has decided to follow Suffolk County Council recommendation and hold an additional Bank Holiday on Friday 18th February to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee.

This has been a challenging half-term for all schools but, for me, the highlight's include:

- seeing our wonderful students enjoying, once again, being in a school without zones
- how well our Year 7 students settled into their new school and the new friendships they have made
- leading over twenty tours of prospective students with their families around our school during a typical school day and their feedback on the calmness and the engagement of our students in their lessons
- being able to connect with parents/carers, often for the first time, in our series of parents Information Evening (we held nine of these evenings this half term in total)

And now I am also so very proud to announce the appointment of our Head Prefects and Deputy Head Prefects. I have asked them to introduce themselves to you – see their introduction below.

Only to add I wish you and yours a great autumn break....

Thank you

Tom Maltby
Headteacher

Introduction from the new Head Prefects:-

Hello parents and carers,

We hope you are all well. Before ending for the October half term, we are thrilled to announce that we have been chosen to be the student voice.

*Head Prefect - Oliver Jenkins
Head Prefect - Jasper Pearce
Deputy Prefect - Justine Cooper
Deputy Prefect - Florence Spiers*

This year we plan to work together to provide for the school and students, sorting current issues that are important to our fellow students but also bringing new ideas to the table. We are proud to be able to represent the students' views and opinions and express them in ways they may not feel confident in doing. We are proud members of Holbrook Academy and we wish for all your children to have the same amazing experiences that we have.

We are looking forward to working with the other Prefects and routinely gathering ideas from your children. We think it is important to hear from the students as we can then relay this information to the leadership team as well as implementing it ourselves.

Have a lovely half term.

Oliver, Jasper, Justine, Florence