

## **Chesterton Community Sports College**

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Dear Parent/Carer,

It is with great pleasure that we welcome your child back to the start of a new academic year.

This year marks the beginning of GCSE courses that will set your child on a journey towards their future career; working towards qualifications that will bridge their progress on to further education whether that be tertiary education or work-based apprenticeships.

Being able to track your child's progress is important and subject teachers will provide a number of resources to enable you to keep up to date with your child's development.

Class books will be sent home frequently. This is aimed at providing you with the opportunity to feedback on work and encouraging your child to respond to their individual challenges. Taking an active interest in your child's books will help to support the learning that is taking place in the classroom.

In order to keep parents/carers up to date with notices, homework and attendance, parents/carers can log onto the parent portal. In order to access the portal, please go to the school website and click on the parent portal tab on the top right hand corner of the page. Parents/carers can register via this link.

The portal also provides a vital piece of feedback on pupil progress and will contain your child's profiles and reports. These are teacher judgements based on your child's level of attainment and attitude to learning at that time.

In order to track your child's profiles online the portal will be updated on the following dates:

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September – EBACC subjects only

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November – All subjects

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2014 – EBACC subjects only

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2015 – All subjects Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2015 – EBACC subjects only

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2015 – All subjects

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2015 – EBACC subjects

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April – All subjects

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2015 – EBACC subjects

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015 – All subjects

Other specific dates for your diaries include:

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2014 – Year 9 MFL Parents Evening Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2014– Year 9 Able & Talented Evening (selected pupils) Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2014– Year 9 Theatre Trip (selected pupils)

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2015 – Year 9 injections Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2015 – Year 9 Exam Week Begins Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2015 – Year 9 Reports Home Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2015 – Year 9 Parents Evening

I was highly encouraged by the way in which Year 9 began their new courses at the end of last year. I hope that they will build on this foundation over the coming years to achieve the results they are capable of.

As ever, if you have any questions then please do contact me and I will endeavour to respond as soon as I possibly can.

Kind Regards Mr Maxted Head of Year 9