

The Harefield Academy

Achievement through Active Learning

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for your attendance at the recent Year 8 Parents' Evening and for taking the time to fill in the School Questionnaire. We really value your input and support. We look carefully at these questionnaires to help us to refine the experience the students have in The Academy and to support us in making further changes to improve the provision for students.

The feedback we received was really positive with 100% of parents/carers commenting that:

- The school keeps my child safe.
- The school helps my child to have a healthy lifestyle.
- The school makes sure my child is well prepared for the future.

In addition, 93% - 97% of parents commented that:

- The school informs me about my child's progress.
- The teaching is good at this school.
- The school meets my child's particular needs.
- The school is led and managed effectively.
- Overall I am happy with my child's experience at this school.

Behaviour continues to be an area we are working hard on as an Academy and we were delighted that in September, Ofsted commented that the behaviour of the students was good. We hope that you have seen improvements over the last year with the Ladder of Consequence being embedded and an increase in rewards being given to students to build a positive culture of learning within The Academy. This is allowing us to have much more robust systems for dealing with low level disruption. We will maintain our focus on building a positive culture for learning. Year 8s have received 26588 reward points this year, with 84% of behaviour being positive and rewarded, which shows that predominantly students are making the right choices and behaving well across the year group. Where there are students who do not comply with the Ladder of Consequence this is followed up swiftly and robustly to ensure that students' learning is not disrupted.

Some parents were also concerned that we don't always take account of your suggestions and concerns. We really value all feedback we are given and try to use this to support us in our planning going forwards. Should you have any concerns about how your child is doing at The Academy or anything we can do to support your child please do contact Mr Bourne, Head of Year 8, at rbourne@theharefieldacademy.org.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Helen Timmins
Deputy Headteacher