



September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 10 have made an excellent start to the year with us at Appleton Academy, their attitude to learning is strong and they have had a very purposeful beginning to the new school year.

We are writing to you with some key information about this academic year, which will be useful for you in supporting your child. We want to ensure, as you do, that your child makes as much progress with us in school as possible this year.

### Mock Exams

Towards the end of Year 10, students will sit their first set of mock examinations in school. These are designed to prepare students for their final examinations by providing them and their class teachers with valuable information about strengths or any gaps in their understanding or misconceptions they may have about subject matter. Teachers will then use this to inform their teaching and support your child in plugging those gaps and building on their strengths. The mock examinations also provide students with their first experience of the exam process, enabling them to familiarise themselves with this new environment prior to the final examinations at the end of Year 11.

Please find a list of key dates for Year 10 below:

Monday 8 January 2024	Progress Report 1
Monday 22 April 2024	Progress Report 2
Thursday 25 April 2024	Parents' Evening (4:30pm – 6:30pm)
Monday 17 June 2024	Mock Exams Commence (2 weeks)

Through all of us working together, we know that your children, our students, will have a positive year and will make the progress their hard work deserves. Please contact us at the Academy if you have any questions or concerns and we will be happy to help.

Yours faithfully

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Rachel Garlick  
Head of Secondary

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Kate Bateman  
Deputy Headteacher