



Looe Community Academy

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Dear Parent/Carer

As you may know schools that are judged good or outstanding are not inspected by Ofsted so frequently. I am delighted to say that Sir Michael Wilshaw, Her Majesty's Chief Inspector has written to us and to you to say:

I am pleased to inform you that our interim assessment shows that the school's performance has been sustained and that we can defer its next full inspection. As a result, the next full inspection will not take place any earlier than the summer term 2014 unless we receive information in the course of the coming year that causes us to inspect earlier. I wish everyone involved in the school continued success in the future.

I am pleased to enclose a letter from Sir Michael Wilshaw on behalf of Ofsted to you which gives further details.

No doubt the Academy's excellent and improving GCSE examination results over the last 3 years, since our last inspection, have contributed to this assessment. I am very pleased with the Academy's sustained and strong improvement and would like to thank you for all of your support in helping us to achieve this.

Further good news to report are the Year 11 GCSE mathematics results that were announced earlier this month which saw an improvement on the superb 2012 figures. We were particularly delighted with the high number of students in Year 11 who have achieved a grade A or A* in this subject.

The Academy image goes from strength to strength and I am delighted to report that students appear to have more pride in their school; this is particularly reflected in their attitudes to learning, behaviour and in the wearing of the school uniform. Some of the students who are now wearing the new Academy uniform have requested the addition of a jumper to be worn under their blazer during the winter months. In response to this and the recent cold weather, we are adding a jumper to the uniform. This is an addition to the current uniform and is optional.

The jumper must comply with the following:

Black, plain knit, V-neck school jumper with or without sleeves.

No fancy knits, no collar, no crew neck, no fleece material and no cardigans.

The jumper must have a deep enough 'V' so that the tie knot can be clearly seen, shallow V's are unacceptable.

There should be no logo, buttons, embellishments, zips or other colours.

The jumper must be worn underneath the blazer and not instead of it.



Maths & Computing



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A jumper can be purchased from our internet provider Uniform Direct however many retail outlets also sell them.

Following the recent Year 10 and 11 Parents'/Carers' Evenings we have received positive feedback on our new system for making appointments with teachers and will introduce this for all future evenings.

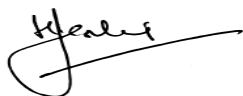
Parents and other stakeholders are invited to provide feedback to the Governing Body on their priorities for the Academy's admissions criteria. The Academy currently uses the Cornwall Council admissions criteria but is eligible to set its own as many other Cornish academies have chosen to do. Full details can be found on our website or please ring reception for a hard copy.

We have been successful in reaching the final of the Generation Green competition and now have a chance of winning an energy makeover worth £135,000, which would make us one of the most energy efficient schools in the country! Finalists are included in last Friday's Cornish Guardian and will feature again in this week's paper. In the newspaper article, you will find full details how you can vote for us, which can either be by text or post. The winner will be the school that receives the greatest number of votes, both postal and text combined. You are able to vote as many times as you wish. All votes must be in by Wednesday 6 February. I am sure you will all want to support us in trying to win, but please be aware that text messages will incur an additional charge of 50p per text. We would really appreciate the completion of original entry forms from the paper (photocopies are not allowed) – please bring them to Mr Green or to Reception and we will post them on for you and spare you the postage. Alternatively, please text your vote to 65100 in the following format: DC GREEN 1004 your name your postcode; for example: DC GREEN 1004 Joe Bloggs PL13 1NQ.

Finally, tickets are now on sale from Student Services for this year's production, which is Peter Pan. Adult tickets are priced at £5, students and concessions are £2.50. Please come along and support this superb show on Tuesday 12, Wednesday 13 and Friday 15 February. A proportion of the ticket sales and the funds from a Valentine fundraiser will be donated to Great Ormond Street Hospital.

As you can see this is a very exciting time for us and rounds off a very successful first year as an Academy. I would be grateful if you would sign the slip below and ask your child to hand this to their form tutor to acknowledge safe receipt of these letters.

Yours faithfully



Heather Jenkins
Headteacher

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Acknowledgement Slip

I acknowledge receipt of Miss Jenkins' letter and the Ofsted letter dated January 2013

Student's Name: Tutor group:

Signed (Parent/Carer)

Please return to your Form Tutor