



University
Academy
Keighley

Update July 2016

A message from the Principal



May I first of all thank you for all the support you have given to University Academy Keighley this academic year. Over the last few months we have experienced a number of changes at the academy and I thank you for your patience and understanding during this time.

I would like to take this opportunity to update you on a few matters:



Ofsted Inspection 19- 20 April 2016

As I am sure you are aware UAK was inspected earlier on this year. The disappointing Year 11 results of 2015 meant that the outcomes of the school were judged to be inadequate, however the school was recognised for its strengths in terms of bringing about rapid improvements over the last few months and we should see improved outcomes in this summer's results.

The Ofsted Team were satisfied that the school is focusing on the correct areas of improvement and therefore decided **not to place** the school into Special Measures. We will update you as to the improvements in the academy and I thank you for your support going forward. For further information, please do not hesitate to look on our website or contact us at the academy.

Wakefield City Academies Trust (WCAT)

We have been working for a number of months with our new sponsor, WCAT, an outstanding Multi-Academy Trust. We have already begun to work with our new family of schools in order to ensure that all children get their entitlement to a high quality education. We are due to officially convert to the new sponsor in the new academic year. From that point, we will become known as '*Keighley Academy*'.

Changes to the school uniform will be minimal (blazer badge) and families will not incur any costs. I will look forward to updating you further about this exciting development in September.

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End of term arrangements

As we approach the end of the academic year, please note that the school will finish for students at 12.30pm on Thursday, 21st July 2016. All students can still access a lunch before leaving the school site. School will remain open for any students who wish to stay until 2.55pm.

Start of new academic year arrangements

School will reopen on **Tuesday, 6th September 2016** for the following students only:

- 8.40am New Year 7 students.
- 9.40am Year 11 students.
- Induction day for our new Year 12 students.

Wednesday, 7th September 2016

School will be open for all students as normal.

Changes to the published school calendar for 2016 - 17

Please note that there are some slight changes to the published calendar for 2016 - 17. These have been made in order to fully support our school community.

We are planning to schedule staff training days on Tuesday, 13th September 2016 and Tuesday, 27th June 2017. This is in addition to our provisional closure days on Monday 12th September 2016 and Monday 26th June 2017. Students will not be required to attend on these days. These days may be subject to change based on the confirmed dates of Eid. We will update you nearer the time, however please do not hesitate to look on our website for further details.

I wish you a very enjoyable summer break and I look forward to seeing you again in the new academic year.

Kind regards,



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Principal



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