



Berkeley Green UTC – Newsletter

Friday 23rd March 2018

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Students,

After a frenetic Spring Term can I take the opportunity to wish you all a happy Easter. I recognise that Berkeley Green UTC is breaking up a week earlier than the majority of Gloucestershire schools, but in line with South Gloucestershire and Bristol - one of the challenges with having students who come to us from such a wide geographical area. The good news is that next year there is much more alignment between the different parts of our catchment area. Holiday dates from 2018-19 are now on the website.

The highlight of the last fortnight has been Berkeley Green UTC's outstanding performance in our first national engineering competition. We are extremely proud to announce that our KS4 students who represented us on the Royal Navy Engineering Challenge came fourth out of 27 entries. An excellent result in our first year! Well done Angus, Alex, Archie, Jack and Jake, very ably supported by Bernie and Jennie.

Thank you to all who have promptly returned payment and permission slips for Mach 2018. As a reminder, this trip takes place on the Wednesday of the week back after Easter. A great opportunity to see cutting edge engineering and computer science in industrial applications.

In other news, we are pleased to announce the appointment of another two new additions to our teaching team to further strengthen our maths and English departments. The majority of pieces of the staffing jigsaw are now in place to accommodate our significant expansion in September.

I look forwards to welcoming back rested and eager students and staff on Monday 9th April.

Kind regards

Paul Ramage

Principal



Celebrations:

This week our year 10 students had their end of term assessments. We were really impressed with the attitude shown by our students during these assessments with the majority having almost 4 straight hours of assessments. These assessments help students get into the right mind set for their GCSE subjects and it is great to see the mature and professional attitude shown. This week Dylan Sutton and Toby Marsh have performed exceptionally well and have been named students of the week. Congratulations to Jake Walker, Toby Marsh and Aaron Brown who have been named students of the term. Their consistently high level of attitude to their learning is something we are very proud of. Niamh Walsh, Saba Khan and Freddie McCabe have won the 'Commitment to Learning Award' for their consistent efforts in all lessons and private study. Eddy Davey and Dylan Sutton won the 'Engagement with Learning Award' for their efforts this term.

Notes:

Please use the Alkington Lane access road to Berkeley from A38 after the holidays until 20th April.