



# Aston Academy

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Dear Parents/Carers,

The end of our first half term. On a personal note, I have very much enjoyed the first eight weeks of my role at Aston Academy. I am extremely proud of the progress we have made together and thank our students, staff and you, our parents/carers, for this.

This week we have enjoyed lots of rewards and praise for our students in assemblies, lessons and hot chocolate treats during tutor times. Our students have also continued to receive amazing opportunities - last week a group went to Silverstone, and this week we have had coach loads of students visit the Space Museum and Oxford Museum.

On Thursday evening we had a hall full of 'scary' Y7 and Y8 students, dressed up in full costume for the Halloween Disco. Yesterday it was wonderful to welcome our primary school footballers to the academy for a tournament lead by our Post 16 Sports Leaders. I hope that all involved enjoyed the event.

This week I have included a short '*Principals Newsletter*' that I wanted to share with you. It doesn't cover everything that we have achieved together this half term but highlights some 'proud moments', upcoming events in half term 2 and facts/figures we have discussed in previous Friday updates. Feedback on this would be much appreciated - do you find it a useful form of communication?

I wish all our students, parents/carers a safe half term. I look forward to welcoming our students back on site on Monday 4th November - punctual, in smart uniform and ready to learn with a positive and resilient attitude. We have much to achieve in half term 2.

Finally, good luck to our students and staff who are visiting Berlin over the half term holiday. What a great cultural experience.

Have a wonderful week.

The combination of home, school and student will make a difference.

Best regards,

**Mr J Graham**  
Principal



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