

# Sir Tom Finney Community High School

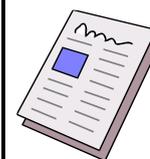
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*'learning and  
achieving together'*



Welcome to our Newsletter.

TAKE A LOOK 

We are almost at an end of another extra-ordinary academic year. We all started with good intentions with new admissions in September and a renewed vigour to work as 'normal' as possible but COVID-19 reared its head once more and schools were placed back into restrictions. Fortunately we were able to get over the 'hump' and a sense of normal returned in school once again being able to do many of the things we had postponed. This will continue, but COVID most certainly has not 'gone away' and all schools are experiencing an upturn in cases once more. So it is imperative that everyone continues to be sensible and responsible to avoid any return to restrictive practises. 



All that said we have still managed to complete all our annual reviews with so many positive comments for which we thank everyone. Events such as Online Safety week, the career, advice and information fair, educational visits and a residential all took place. In house performances are due to happen this week and sports day next week. Accreditation and examinations have been completed, moderated and sent off for marking. Transition sessions and support for our newcomers for September and those leaving us have been a priority this term.

Our Leavers, were able to enjoy a small-scale but happy Prom and in our final assembly on the last day we will say goodbye as they move onto pastures new.

Goodbye & good luck



In amongst all this we have been working with LCC and Contractors as they refurbish and refit the upper floor and build a new staircase and lift, all ready for a September start, with our KS4 and FE students moving to the purposely renovated space and allowing development of a new department in school and to expand the numbers on roll—which have been filled very quickly!

Finally we would like to take the opportunity to remind all our families of our attendance policies and in particular Leave of Absence for holidays. We have aimed to be flexible and mindful of COVID related cancellations and re-bookings; however the Government see attendance as a priority moving forward as such we will be sharing our policies and the local and national guidance at the start of the next term with everyone and will not be able to agree requests at the same level. **DON'T JUST BOOK; DISCUSS WITH US FIRST**—it may not be authorised.

Reminder of dates:

- Tuesday 19th July—Sports Day—non uniform/sports clothes
- Wednesday 20th July—School breaks for Student Summer Holidays
- School re-opens for staff Thursday 1st September and for students on Monday 5th September

