

Dear Parent/Carer

As part of our drive to ensure students leave Newark Academy with valuable and relevant qualifications that will develop student's skillset and provide them with further opportunities, we are proud to offer Year 11 students a unique opportunity to achieve an additional GCSE qualification (Level 2 Certificate in Financial Education). This is an accredited qualification run by The London Institute of Banking and Finance and will offer students an excellent opportunity to learn all about key areas of managing finances. The course covers topics such as savings, mortgages, loans, credit, insurance, pensions and other key areas of financial well-being that will assist students in life and upon successful completion students will be awarded a GCSE at grade C or above. Ultimately it will also help students make progress towards their next steps and strengthen any further-education or job application in the future.

After introducing this opportunity in assembly students were asked to signal their initial interest in pursuing this certification. Over 90% of the year group have signed up for a place on the course. We are delighted to inform you that your child has been offered a place which begins in October 2018 and will run for the duration of the academic year.

Students will work towards the completion of three units of work as the year progresses and the first sessions towards this will take place on Thursday 1st November and Friday 2nd November (Half-term week) and students are asked to report to the theatre at 8.30am. Students are expected to attend both days and will be given a lunch break as part of each day. It is anticipated that each day will end at approximately 2.55pm and students will not be required to wear school uniform.

Please be aware that students will be expected to demonstrate exceptional levels of behaviour, attitude and concentration towards their work. As this is an opportunity for Year 11 students only, we would expect that by now, at this late stage of their school career, attitudes to learning will be exemplary.

Yours sincerely



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