

Dear Year 13 Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of the first half term – I wanted to drop you a quick note to share some of the great work Year 13 have been up too over the past few weeks and give you a sense of what is to come. You will also find attached to this letter your child's current Attitude To Learning grade.

You can watch back our recent Year 13 Parents Next Steps presentation and video [here](#).

As a reminder – in their final year students have been allocated a Media Mentor to provide more guidance and support – they are likely to be the best point of contact for any questions in regards to learning and progress for your child – we will be re-allocating Media Tutors after Half Term as your child takes part in their second pathway. I will send a follow up note after the break with details of their new Media Mentor.

They are supported by the wider department including Chantelle Callaghan, Jason Woolcott, Mickella Durrant-Kirnon and our Technicians – Sammy and Kai.

Our in house careers guidance lead – Indie Nizzar - can be contacted at anytime by parents for further support with progression for next steps after Global Academy via [Indie.Nizzar@globalacademy.com](mailto:Indie.Nizzar@globalacademy.com)

Finally, myself and Sophia Martin (VP for Behaviour and Safety) and Jayne Voice (VP for Teaching and Achievement) are the Senior Leaders for the Sixth Form and are available to support too. You can find contact details for the team on the school website

### **What have Year 13 been up to this half term?**

We thought it would be useful to give you an update every half term on what your child has been up to with their learning as well as the wider Global Academy programme.

Digital students have been focused developing their personal practice and getting a better contextual understanding of art and design.. Students also visited the Museum of Brands and The Tate to develop their knowledge further. Students have also had the chance to develop their skills and knowledge of the key Adobe design software.

Live TV students spent the term developing their knowledge of roles in a Live TV setting working towards creating weekly shoes. Documentary students have been developing the craft of documentary production working with industry professionals from Shoot the Company. Audio and Content production students have worked development the Youths Choice (school

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radio station) brand across audio, youtube and social media – working closely with Global Radio.

This term we have been looking at University ahead of the UCAS deadline in early December- we will be visiting London College of Communication after Half Term for the day to help with this as well as launching our new Industry Sessions to opt in too on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

We have also had a focus on inclusivity as a community, fundraising and Black History Month in our Global Cultural Learning programme. A lot of students have also taken part in extra projects such as Youths Choice – the school radio station, live production briefs for external clients, visits with MPs .etc. Students also are sent a weekly Careers Newsletter featuring advice, guidance and opportunities – this is also shared with parents with lots of opportunities to kickstart a career in media!

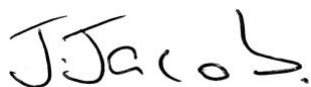
### How Can I Support my Child?

Please do encourage students to make the most of their final few months here at Global Academy by utilising the wide range of industry equipment, experience and knowledge on offer. Staff are always happy to support students with further knowledge and guidance.

Finally, we are keen to represent industry as much as possible and therefore require a professional industry standard dress code, punctuality and strong attendance from all learners. Details about our minimum expectations can be found on the Global Academy website. Please encourage your child to follow this at all time – **failure to do so may result in your child being sent home from the Academy.**

I look forward to writing to you at the end of Autumn Term in December with another update. We will also share your child's currently working at grade via a report card in December too. We look forward to being back from Half Term and raring to go on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October. Good luck to learners who are sitting GCSE or Functional Skills exams when we return.

Many thanks,



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Director of Specalism

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