

Headmaster: Mr M Jones BA MEd

20 July 2023

Dear Students, Parents and Carers

As we conclude another school year, we have much to celebrate. Our end of term assembly today allowed us to recognise student achievement across a vast range of activities. I am also delighted to share our end of term newsletter, InForm, that provides another platform to share the exceptional range of events that students have enjoyed in this final half term. Also on our website, is our most recent Creativity Newsletter.

As well as celebrating this year, planning is very much underway for next year. With that in mind, I thought it helpful to share some information ahead of our return in September.

As a reminder, **Year 7, 11 & 12 return on Wednesday 6 September**, with each of these year groups following a programme of activities to prepare them for the year ahead. The school buses will be running on this day and students are expected to wear school uniform. On this day, students must ensure they are at the following locations at 8.30am for an 8.35am start:

- Year 7: Main Hall
- Year 11: Form rooms (see link below for form rooms)
- Year 12: Conference Centre

Parents/carers of Year 11 students are reminded that there is an evening seminar on this day, starting at 6.00pm that will provide information about how you can support your child during Year 11. Please indicate your interest in attending here.

Please be reminded that some Year 12 students will need to be in school on Monday 4 September for the **pre A Level Maths assessment**, 10.30am arrival for a 10.45am start in the Old Gym.

All year groups will be in school from Thursday 7 September.

Form Groups for 2023-24

We thought it helpful to share the list of form tutors, and form rooms, for September (please click <u>here</u>). Wherever possible, students continue with the same form tutors as they move through Years 7 - 11. However, staffing changes or changes to working patterns mean this is not always possible.

Mr Card has recently joined our Head of Year team. Mr Card will be the Head of Year 8 in September, supported by Mrs Doran as Deputy Head of Year. All Heads of Year and Deputy Heads of Year are listed on the document linked above.

On Thursday 7 September, students should go straight to their form room for an 8.35am start.





New Staff

My InForm newsletter shares with you details of those staff who are leaving Parmiter's at the end of this academic year. For those retiring, I am sure you will join me in wishing them a happy and healthy retirement; and for those moving on to new roles, we wish them well in their new settings.

I also thought it helpful to share with you a list of staff joining Parmiter's in September (click <u>here</u>). We look forward to welcoming them to the Parmiter's family.

Trips for 2023-24

As you will be aware, Parmiter's students have the opportunity to participate in an enviable range of trips and visits. I am enormously grateful to the staff members who organise and lead these trips and those staff who give up their time to accompany the students and make it possible to offer these experiences to students.

Whilst it is never possible to detail all trips & visits for the year ahead, we are sharing a list of those that are planned well in advance, either because they involve whole year groups, are residential trips and/or cost more (please click here). Letters about each specific trip are sent to parents/carers well in advance, but by providing this overview we hope it will allow you to plan ahead and, where more costly trips are offered for your child's year group, decide which of the trips would be of most relevance to your child rather than them reacting to the one that advertises first.

Diary Dates

I know many of you will look at the <u>calendar on the school website</u>, but I thought it helpful to flag some events that fall in the first half of the Autumn Term:

- Universities and Apprenticeship Fair Tuesday 12 September, 12.30pm 3.20pm. Parents/Carers are welcome to attend between 2.20pm 3.20pm. Further details will be shared in September.
- **Open Day** Thursday 14 September, 4.00pm 8.30pm. Students will only attend school for the Open Day hours rather than 'usual' school hours.
- **Senior Speech Night** Thursday 21 September, 7.30pm.
- Parents' Association Cheese & Wine Evening for parents/carers of new Year 7s Friday 22 September, 7.00pm. There will be an event for the new Year 7 students in the Main Hall at the same time.

I wish you and your family an enjoyable and relaxing Summer.

Kind regards

Michael Jones

M Jones

Headmaster