



Parent Governor: Jason Brown

Dear Parents/Guardians

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We are delighted to welcome Frazer Talman, a Year 8 parent, who will be joining the Governing Body.

Ski Trip

Mattie McCarthy was delighted with the 16 students who went to Italy on the Surrey Special School Ski Trip recently. They were amazing ambassadors for the school. All achieved so much individually as well as collectively. Staff from other schools were impressed with the way that they behaved, pushed themselves to try new skills and supported other students who needed more help than them.

As always, we would like to thank the members of staff who went on the trip and enabled our students to have such an amazing experience.

Curriculum survey

As part of our school improvement plan, we are looking at the curriculum we offer here at The Park. We will be sending out a questionnaire after half term to get your views so please look out for it.

Year 9 Residential

Year 9 have had a great week on their residential. They have had amazing weather and have eaten loads! Go Ape at the start showed off everyone's determination and resilience at great height! Lewes Castle was hilarious dressing up in armour and handling artefacts and Brighton was busy, fun and the i360 views were impressive. They are on their way back as we send the Newsletter out and are all looking forward to McDonald's on the way home!

Football Teams

Last term we joined the F.A. Football Inclusive Leagues. Half way through the season the Key Stage 3 team are 8 points clear and in first place. The Key Stage 4 team are also in a great position. They are placed 3rd at the moment but have equal points to the leaders. Well done to the team manager, Trevor Flores, and all students involved.

Snow

We were delighted not to have been affected too much by the recent adverse weather. We postponed a Year 7 Parents' Evening erring on the side of caution but were able to keep school open the following day. Please always remember to check the website, listen to Eagle radio or phone school for an answer machine message if there is ever snow in the area.

Reading

Our daily reading groups continue to provide a calm focus to the start of every day. Most students make tremendous progress across the period of time that they are at The Park. It really helps if they are encouraged to read at home as well. Please contact your child's tutor if you would ever like to borrow more books across holiday periods or need ideas to promote reading more. There are also some general tips on our school website, www.thepark.surrey.sch.uk.

Karen Eastwood.

Karen Eastwood
(Co-Headteacher)

Paul Walsh
(Co-Headteacher)



Dates for your Diary

Spring term 2019 Y9-Y11 Reviews this term	
Monday 18 th – Friday 22 nd February	HALF TERM
Thursday 28 th February	Y7 Parents' Evening (new date following postponement due to snow)
Thursday 14 th March	Y8 Tutor Parents' Evening
Monday 25 th – Wednesday 27 th March	Y8 Residential
Thursday 28 th March	Spring Fair
Monday 1 st April	KS4 play
Friday 5 th April	Prize giving assembly 11am Break up at 12 noon (no lunch)
Summer Term 2019 Y7 and Y8 Reviews this term	
Tuesday 23 rd April	INSET for staff training – School Closed
Wednesday 24 th April	Students return to school at 9am
Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday
Friday 24 th May	Sports Day and Parents' Picnic
Monday 27 th – Friday 31 st May	HALF TERM
Monday 17 th – Friday 21 st June	Y11 Residential
Thursday 13 th June	Y11 Prom
Thursday 27 th June	Y11 Record of Achievement
Thursday 4 th July	Y9 / Y10 Tutor Parents Evening
Monday 8 th – Wednesday 10 th July	Y10 Residential
Friday 19 th July	Summer Fete
Wednesday 24 th July	Prize giving assembly 11am Break up at 12 noon (no lunch)