

Parent Governors: Jason Brown
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Dear Parents/Guardians

Welcome to a new school year. We are delighted to welcome 20 new students into Y7. It is good to see that they are settling in nicely and being looked after, particularly at break times by older students. We had a lot of work taking place during the summer break including the exterior refurbishment of the Portakabins, which are now looking very smart.

1. **Peace Day Assembly**

We had a superb assembly organized by Sue Honeyfield that featured performances across year groups. We were treated to a drama production, Tai Chi demonstration, drum sequence, singing and poetry readings before being offered "Peace Day cake" made by Y10.

2. **Macmillan Coffee Morning**

We had a gloriously sunny day for our coffee morning yesterday. Thanks to those of you who joined us spending money on coffee, cakes and the raffle. We raised over £400 to send to Macmillan.

3. **New Staff**

We would like to welcome several new staff. James Horton has joined the school to teach Art and Design across year groups and is a Y8 tutor. Vicky Williams and Megan Kean have joined our support team and we have a new link speech and language therapist, Penny Turner.

4. **Friends of The Park**

Our PTA 'Friends of The Park' will have its first meeting of the school year on Thursday 18th October at 2pm – join us for tea, cake & fundraising chat.

5. **Duke of Edinburgh assembly**

It was really lovely to welcome back some of our students who left school in June. They came with their parents to celebrate their achievements and receive their Bronze awards. Students in Y11 have the opportunity to work towards their Bronze Award, which has 4 sections, serving your community, learning a new skill, joining in a sport and going on a camping expedition.

6. **Woking in Bloom**

We won second place in the section: "Environmentally friendly garden" providing us with £50 to spend in a garden centre. Congratulations to those students who take part in horticultural sessions. Charlotte Humphreys from Y9 collected the prize on Wednesday evening.

7. **Residentials**

Y7 will be staying overnight in school on their "Big Night In" on Friday 17th November. Staff from Y8 upwards are busy planning short residentials breaks. We will sent out details of costs as soon as possible and provide the opportunity for you all to pay monthly instalments for these trips.

We are so fortunate in having staff willing to give up their own time to support students on these enriching experiences.

8. **Uniform**

We are really pleased to see how smart students are looking. Please ensure that they either wear the school PE shirt or a plain navy blue top and navy blue sports trousers on PE days.

Please make a note in your diary of the dates below or put the sheet up to remind you.

Karen Eastwood.

Karen Eastwood
(Co-Headteacher)



Paul Walsh
(Co-Headteacher)



Dates for your Diary

Autumn Term 2018

Thursday 4 th October	KS4 Parents' Evening
Wednesday 17 th October	Harvest and Parents' Lunch 11am-1pm
Thursday 18 th October	Friends' Meeting/AGM
Monday 22 nd October – Friday 26 th October	HALF TERM
Friday 16 th – Saturday 17 th November	Y7 Big Night In
Thursday 22 nd November	Y8/9 Parents' Evening
Thursday 29 th November	Ski Bingo Night
Tuesday 4 th December	Christmas Fair
Wednesday 12 th December	Carol Service
Thursday 13 th December	Panto
Wednesday 19 th December	Prize giving 11am Break up at 12 noon (no lunch)

Spring term 2019

Thursday 3 rd and Friday 4 th January	INSET for staff training – School Closed
Monday 7 th January	Students return to school at 9am
Monday 18 th February – Friday 22 nd February	HALF TERM
Friday 5 th April	Prize giving 11am Break up at 12 noon (no lunch)

Summer Term 2019

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
Monday 27 th May – Friday 31 st May	HALF TERM
Wednesday 24 th July	Prize giving 11am Break up at 12 noon (no lunch)