21st September 2015 Parents Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

Under construction!

A Note from the Principal

Dear Parents

Thank you for your patience and perseverance in helping us to embed the new school and all its changes. On the whole the students have coped remarkably well and look exceptionally smart and ready to learn.

My update on these changes is below and the queries we have been asked:

Important Announcement

Under construction!

Dates for this half term	To Follow	
Uniform	Jumpers. In reviewing the first 5 days and the uniform. The of jumpers has been considered. As it is the winter term, we students to continue to wear their jumpers to school as the wellooks so smart. I watch the weather forecast each day September the mornings have been chilly. Where there is medical reason why jumpers cannot be worn, please s student reception and we will support your child in addressi	
Website	Thank you to the 40+ students and their parents who agreed in the photo shoot for the new website and prosphotographers and design team were keen for us to let yowell the students behaved throughout the day, how calm the	pectus. The ou know how

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	and how very smart the uniform looked. The new website will available from the 29th of September.
Attendance	With the school now providing Parents with significant opportunities to take their children on holiday prior to the peak season either in October half term or after the 8th of July. We will be enforcing a new and strict attendance policy and increasing the fines for those Parents taking students out of school at any other period. If your child has particular career they are working towards and this involves time out, we will work with you individually to support, i.e. pantomimes at Christmas as long as their attendance other than this has been strong.
PREP	PREP has improved this week, although a minority of students are still struggling to log on. We have reminded all students to take care with the log in as it is case sensitive. Prep teachers will have hard copy of the homework set in order to support anyone who is struggling. You can also go directly to the "show my homework" website through Google. You can then search for Haileybury Turnford. This will then bring you a calendar of all the homework that has been set across the school and you can filter this for each year group and class. We will be offering Parent support training for this and Insight training before half term.
Timings of the school day	Students have coped admirably with the timings of the school day and in particular the extended 4 pm on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. In monitoring the first 10 days these periods remain good.
Expectations	We know that you will support us in raising our expectations for students. In the first 10 days we have had very few behavior cards issued. Please note if you are Parent of the few children who have received a 2 nd yellow faculty level concerns or red cards we will be asking you in next week to address the issues together. The Positive Change Programme will be carrying out a review with Parents of their students' progress.
Mastery and Triage	In year 10 and 11 additional hours have been used to support students to make sure they secure and consolidate their learning at GCSE. The summer's data analysis identified where students were not making the progress they needed to and students have been selected to attend this subjects' mastery sessions in order to re learn and consolidate. Students are now clear where they need to go and are appreciating the additional time. Please note each half term students assessed in their subjects and this information then forms the next set of mastery classes.
Gifted and Talented classes	These classes will be in place by half term. For key stage 3 students will be invited, however this will mean their PREP time is used for this so PREP will be completed at home. Key stage 4 will be identified from the assessments.
Enrichment	Begins the week beginning the 5 th October for Key stage 3. Key stage 4 students from next week will be able to register at 1.10pm with their tutor and then leave at 1.20pm. They are welcome to stay to lunch and then leave if they chose to do so.
Mobile phone policy	Please note students are allowed to bring phones into school but they are at their own risk. Where they have a PE lesson they will be offered a safe locked central storage place and they need to use this to store their phone. If a teacher asks students to use their mobile phones in lesson as a learning device then students will use them in lessons. Students can use their phones for other use at breaks and lunch times but not in the corridor between lessons. If a mobile phone is seen in the wrong situation then it

	will be confiscate it immediately and Parents informed. Students will be able to collect the next day. Between October half term and Feb half term students will be able to collect at the end of the day due to the dark nights. Please note if confiscated on a Friday the phone is returned on Monday.
Primary Parents evening and Open morning	Our Primary Parents evening takes place on the 29 th September and in order to prepare the school will close at 12,05pm. Free school meal students will be able to take their lunch at break time. The school will then have its first inset day of the year which is the 30 th of September. Students will return to school on the 1 st of October at our normal time. We will be asking some students to act as a guide to support the evening. Letters will go out next week and to who has been chosen. Our second Primary Parents Morning is on Saturday 3 rd October.

Thank you

Mrs Gant

Principal



Enrichment Activities

Unfortunately due to unforeseen circumstances this week and Inset day next week, Enrichment will start on Wednesday 7th October. Enrichment Students will finish this Wednesday at 2pm. Please ensure normal school uniform is worn.

Notice

A number of bottles of Lipovitan-D have been found just outside the school gates. This is a Thai version of Red Bull, high in caffeine and bought off the internet. If you see anyone with this please let a member of staff know.

Year 13

We have been selected by the Institute of Chartered Accountants to bring 6 students to their BASE challenge in London on 2nd December.

Laura has also been successful in obtaining places at SKY TV for their careers academy sessions in Media technology in January.

Both students (in year 13) have been nominated for the UBS Outstanding student awards at the end of October. Available only to students from state schools. Jessica has also put her application in for Cambridge this year. She believes she has no chance but she is brilliant so please say "go for it"!

If you see them please congratulate them for their achievements which have been exceptional throughout the years with us.

Mr Brendon Walsh

Head of 6th Form

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Community Event

Thank you to those involved in the Celebrating our Community event in Waltham Cross on Sunday 13th September.

The Project Based Learning team displayed a class dragon and presentation work from the Year 7 China project (Summer 2015). We continue to look forward to working with the community in the future.

Attachment: full Size render

Mrs Megaw

Assistant Principal

Student Reception

Lost Property it is held at student reception - any unnamed items are held there until end of term, then all items are sent to charity if they are unclaimed. If items have students name on they will get returned to student.

Mrs Sparrow

Student Reception

Year 11

The Mathematics department will be conducting a Mock Paper 2 GCSE on Monday 28th September. Students will require a scientific calculator and a Maths set in addition to the usual stationeries.

The purpose of this Mock is to ascertain materials covered in previous years and to aid the focus of revision during Mastery classes. Teaching groups may be tweaked in this view.

Attachment - revision topics for mock exams Sept 2015

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require further information.

Kind Regards.

Mr R. Duncan Mr A. Rugoobur Maths

The Development Centre

Are in need of jigsaw puzzles of 100-500 pieces, also any construction sets such as Meccano or Kinex. If any parents have any they would like to donate we would be very grateful.

Many thanks

Mrs Julie Piper

SEN Link Worker

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SCHOOL PHOTO'S

Just to make you aware, as students may want to take particular care with their appearance on Friday 2nd October, all students in Year 7 and 10 will be having their school photo taken during periods 1 and 2.

Thank YOU

Mrs R Davey
Inclusion Office

PE Department

Please see that attached notice regarding PE kit expectations.

Attachment: PE Kit expectations

Race Night – Tuesday 6th October 6.30pm to 9.30pm

Raising money for the Salou Sports Tour this is certain to be a fun and entertaining evening. Tickets cost £5 from the PE department and includes two free bets. Please bring your own food and drink (non-alcoholic). You will have the opportunity to bet on 8 races throughout the evening, if you win you will receive a share of the money. Hosted by the staff and students attending we would welcome anyone to come along and support their efforts to raise money.

For more information or tickets please contact 01992 308333 exct.210 or e-mail clarka@haileyburyturnford.com

Many thanks,

Mr A Clark

Head of PE