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Dear Parent/Carer

A question I have often been asked since joining Haileybury Turnford as Principal is about our partnership with Haileybury. I am writing to provide some further information for you.

Since 1st September 2015, Haileybury Academy Trust has existed as an academy trust sponsored by Haileybury, the leading coeducational independent school, who are responsible for all aspects of Haileybury Turnford, setting the strategic vision for the school. The governing body has oversight of the educational provision at the school and is responsible for its growth, future direction and development.

This partnership is still a relatively new one and will continue to grow over the coming 18 months, providing further opportunities for our community over time. Some explicit benefits this academic year have included:

* Weekly training for our Cadets with Haileybury Cadets
* Year 11 triple scientists participating in weekly sessions with Haileybury science staff to provide additional specialist teaching in biology, chemistry and physics - this will continue for the rest of the academic year until their GCSE exams begin
* The Head of Spanish from Haileybury working with some of our Year 11 Spanish students to provide further specialist support in the run up to their GCSE exams
* Some of our Year 11 History students are about to start having some additional revision sessions from a Haileybury History teacher
* Year 12 students participating in a workshop to support them with applying to competitive universities
* Support for Year 13 students applying for medicine, dentistry or veterinary science
* Some additional languages enrichment sessions for a group of our Key Stage 3 students led by Haileybury Sixth Form students
* Our annual Carol Service for Year 7 and 8 students at Haileybury Chapel
* Our weekly co-curricular climbing club and a Year 7 rewards trip to Haileybury's climbing wall

As our partnership develops, we hope to have further opportunities for students in Year 5 and 6 before they join us in Year 7 - Haileybury hosted a number of very successful and enjoyable events for students from some of our primary partners last summer including computer programming and a World War I trench trail. We will offer more opportunities during next term. We will also strive to develop more opportunities for Year 9 and 10 students as well as for more of our sixth formers.

I will continue to share further developments through our regular Parents' Newsletters.

Yours faithfully

Robin Newman

Principal