



Monday 20th July 2026

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s)

As we come to the end of another busy school year, it is worth reflecting on the past few weeks. Every year group has been through the examination cycle now and it has been really encouraging to see how seriously students have taken their assessments. For Year 10 it was their first experience of sitting examinations in the Sports Hall under GCSE conditions and their attitudes and behaviour were excellent. We hope that the feedback they receive from their teachers encourages them to work even harder next year as they prepare for their GCSEs. Year 7, 8 and 9 have also taken their examinations during lessons in recent months and should have a clear picture of what areas they need to focus on going forward.

We have held two prize-giving assemblies, a fantastic 'Heathland's Got Talent' evening of music and dance as well as all the fun and games of Charity Week.

There have also been a lot of trips this term including visits to Rome and Barcelona. The Duke of Edinburgh groups have been completing their weekend expeditions – when the weather has allowed – and there have also been Geography and History trips as well as a huge array of sporting fixtures. Sports Day was also a great success this year.

As always, my thanks goes to the teachers and other members of staff who work so hard to ensure that our students have such a rich and varied educational experience at The Heathland.

Great British Summer Savings

From 25 June - 1 September 2026, the Government is temporarily cutting VAT from 20% to 5% on children's meals in restaurants, children and family tickets to cinemas, theatres, concerts and exhibitions, and admission to a wide range of attractions. Combined with free bus travel during August for children aged 5 - 15 in England, families and young people will be able to enjoy experiences that make summer special, including visits to the kinds of cultural and educational attractions that enrich children's lives outside the classroom.

As part of this campaign, the Government has launched a website which allows families to type in their postcode and find participating venues near them to make the most of summer savings. To use the attraction finder, please click [here](#)

Changes to supermarket school meal vouchers

School holiday supermarket vouchers will no longer be issued from September 2026. If your child attends a Hounslow school and is eligible for benefits-related Free School Meals, Hounslow Council will continue to provide support over the Summer Holiday 2026. You will receive a voucher in July 2026 as normal.



**Artsmark
Silver Award**
Awarded by Arts
Council England



This will be the final voucher issued. No further school holiday vouchers will be provided after this. If you are struggling with the cost of living, advice and support continues to be available through a range of organisations which are listed on the attached letter from Hounslow Council.

Free breakfast offer this Summer

Morrisons and Kellogg's have teamed up to provide free breakfasts for families during the summer holidays. From 29 June - 6 September 2026, visitors to Morrisons Cafés can enjoy a free Kellogg's breakfast, including a bowl of cereal and a piece of fruit, with the offer available to both children and adults. Morrisons' Kids Eat Free offer will also continue throughout the summer.

Arrangements for the start of Autumn Term 2026

Wednesday 2 September 2026 - INSET Day 1 (no students in school)

Thursday 3 September 2026 - INSET Day 2 (no students in school)

Friday 4 September 2026

Year 7 and Year 12 students have an induction day

Years 8, 9, 10, 11 & 13 will attend a 5 minute 'Welcome Back Meeting' with their tutor.

Your child's allocated appointment time will be available to view on your SchoolCloud account. Please ensure you log in to check your appointment time in advance.

Students should wear full school uniform.

Monday 7 September 2026

Normal school for all students. Please ensure that your child arrives in school by 8.30am.

Term Dates and Holidays 2026-2027

AUTUMN TERM 2026

First day of term

Wednesday 2 September 2026

Half term

Monday 26 October – Friday 30 October 2026

Last day of term

Friday 18 December 2026

Winter Holidays

Monday 21 December 2026 – Friday 1 January 2027

Further information

- Wednesday 2 September 2026 - INSET Day 1 (**no students in school**)
- Thursday 3 September 2026 - INSET Day 2 (**no students in school**)
- Friday 4 September 2026 - Year 7 and Year 12 students only
- Monday 7 September 2026 - All students in school

- Friday 23 October - INSET Day 3 (**no students in school**)
- Friday 20 November 2026 – Wellbeing Day (school closed)

SPRING TERM 2027

First day of term

Monday 4 January 2027

Half term

Monday 15 February to Friday 19 February 2027

Last day of term

Thursday 25 March 2027

Easter Holidays

Friday 26 March – Friday 9 April 2027

Further information

- Monday 4 January 2027 - INSET Day 4 (no students in school)

SUMMER TERM 2027

First day of term

Monday 12 April 2027

Half term

Monday 31 May to Friday 4 June 2027

Last day of term

Friday 23 July 2027

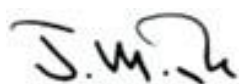
Further information

- Monday 12 April 2027 - INSET Day 5 (**no students in school**)
- Monday 3 May 2027 – Bank Holiday (**school closed**)

Total: 195 days

And finally, I would like to thank parents and carers for their support of the school this year. By working in partnership, we can ensure that all our students achieve the very best from their education and their time at The Heathland. We look forward to celebrating exam outcomes on 13th and 20th August for Sixth Form and Year 11 students respectively and to another successful year starting in September.

Yours faithfully,



J.M Rose
Headteacher