

HSP/RMT: Headmaster's letter
9th May 2018

HEADMASTER'S LETTER TO
PARENT(S)/ GUARDIAN(S) No.7

Dear Parent(s)/ Guardian(s)

We have noticed in recent months an increasing number of pupils coming to school by bicycle. This is a healthy choice particularly in the summer months. To accommodate more bicycles we have set up an additional storage area in the front carpark for Year 11 and Sixth Form use. If your son/daughter is using a bicycle please ensure they have a lock to keep the bicycle secure.

Pupils should not, however, arrive at school using a 'Mobike' which can be hired temporarily. As these are accessible to members of the public this may lead to strangers attempting to access the school premises.

May I now bring some other points to your attention.

1. EASTERN EVENING 2018

Miss S.P. Kaur (Head of Economics and Business) will again be directing this year's performance. The date for the show is **THURSDAY 12TH JULY at 7.30PM.**

2. YEAR 11 AND YEAR 13: SUMMER RESULTS AND INTERVIEWS

May I ask parents and students to note these key dates. Please plan holidays with these dates in mind.

YEAR 13: 'A' LEVEL AND BTEC RESULTS WILL BE ISSUED AT 9.00AM ON **THURSDAY 16TH AUGUST 2018** IN THE MAIN HALL.

Senior staff, Miss H. Hall-Curtis (Academic Tutor) and Mr C. Couch (Careers Advisor) will be available to advise students after the issue of results.

YEAR 11: GCSE RESULTS WILL BE ISSUED AT 9.00AM ON **THURSDAY 23RD AUGUST 2018** IN THE MAIN HALL.

INTERVIEWS FOR SIXTH FORM COURSES: START FROM 10.00AM ON **FRIDAY 24TH AUGUST 2018.**

Please be present for interview to secure a place on a popular course.

3. PROGRESSION FROM YEAR 12 TO YEAR 13

For students to progress from Year 12 to Year 13 they must attain at least an 'E' grade in each of their subjects. Where students attain a 'U' grade following their second re-sit in June 2018, they will not be permitted to continue with the subject in which they have failed.

4. TASTER SUBJECT PRESENTATIONS FOR YEAR 11

To help Year 11 pupils to make more informed decisions about their Post-16 choices some departments – mainly in 'new' subjects – will deliver presentations about their respective subjects. This will be in the last week of the summer term (16th – 19th July) and a timetable will be issued to Year 11 pupils who have applied to the Sixth Form. The presentations will take place in the Sixth Form Base.

5. START OF THE AUTUMN TERM 2018

To assist parents in planning their summer holidays may I again state the term will start on **TUESDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 2018**. All pupils will have Academic Tutoring appointments on that day.

I would like to congratulate and thank Mr L. Dodge who is leaving at half term for a well-deserved promotion to Assistant Head. He could have left at the end of last term but his professional dedication is such that he wanted to see Year 11 through to study leave. Mr Dodge leaves The Heathland after eight years of exceptional service as a Languages teacher and Head of Year.

Yours faithfully,

HEADMASTER