

16th July 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your continued support this term. We have had a very busy term with events including the Paris trip back in April, the Matilda London trip and performances, Year 11 Leavers assembly and Prom, Year 5 Taster Days and Year 6 Induction Days and Evening, Duke of Edinburgh Training and Practice Expeditions, Summer Fayre, Year 10 Geography Fieldtrip, China Exchange Visit, Summer Concert and Graduation, not to mention lots of hard work and exciting activities in lessons and exams of course! A huge thank you to all those who have joined us for events and activities this term.

With just over a week to go before we break up for the summer holidays, we still have a huge amount going on in school.

School Production of Country Cabaret: Wednesday 17th – Friday 19th July 7.00pm

Our Cabaret performances take place this week at 7.00pm in the School Hall. This is fun filled opportunity for everyone linked to the school to come and see the incredible breath of performance talent of our students as well as their superb teamwork and sense of fun. Tickets are available from school.

Year 10 Activities:

This is a busy time for Year 10. Following a successful (if slightly damp) Geography Fieldtrip last week, they have their Mock Interview Day today (16th) and some of our Year 10 students have been invited to attend a BC6F Taster Day on Thursday (18th). Information about these events has gone out in separate letters. This is the launch of the work we will be doing with this year group to support them in making their post-16 progression decisions and applications. We hope that as many students as possible who are moving onto Alevels will apply to BC6F, our joint 6th form provision located on the Bramcote site – this will give them great continuity as many of our Alderman White teachers deliver A-level courses there. However, we will be working with all of our students to ensure they are clear about the different pathways and providers and are supported in making applications. They will also have their final practice exam of the year on Wednesday, which is Maths, as well as completing their English speaking assessments.

Prize Winning Summer Fayre Hampers:

Thank you to all parents and families who contributed to the Summer Fayre Raffle Hampers. We had a total of 17 hampers as raffle prizes with themes including eco, Disney, pamper, USA and the elements! The winning hampers were from 7CHA (HMS Chapman), 8SAN (Eco-hamper), 8MIS (Disney Hamper), 9ZHA (pamper hamper) and 10SCH ("brown and red"). These tutor groups have won a non-uniform day on Friday 19th July.

Student Progress Data:

Final year end grades will be published on Go4Schools before the end of term. This grade is a judgement from all assessments completed during the year and will incorporate any test and exams taken. In addition Year 7 and 8 will also have their exam grades included as a separate grade.

Lunar Landing Day: Monday 22nd July

As you may be aware, next weekend is the 50th anniversary of the first moon landings. We will be marking this anniversary in school next Monday with a Lunar Landing Event. Year 7 students will follow a programme of activities created by NASA, and there will be lunar landing related activities for the other year groups. During the day the Swing Band will also be attending a recording session in school.

Sports Day: Tuesday 23rd July

Our Sports Day will take place on Tuesday 23rd July. In the morning students will take part in field events or sports activities p.1-2 (Year 7-8) and p.3-4 (Year 9 -10) and normal lessons when they are not on the field. During the afternoon the whole school will take part in either track events or spectating. Students need to wear school PE kit and bring sun cream, a hat and plenty of drinks dependent on the weather forecast. We are hoping to have an ice-cream van and refreshments on the field during the afternoon and students are welcome to bring money for this. If we are unable to run the event due to poor weather conditions students will be in their usual lessons.

Last Day of Term: Wednesday 24th July

Students will have an extended lesson 1 and 3. We will have brunch from 11.30 - 12.00 followed by a tutor period and assembly. **School will finish for students at 1.00pm.** This is an important opportunity to celebrate the end of the school year as a school community and to say goodbye to people within our school community who are leaving. Students are <u>not</u> required to wear school uniform on this day, but their choice of outfit must be suitable for a school environment – please ensure that your son/daughter avoids anything too revealing or with inappropriate images or slogans.

I hope that your son/daughter enjoys the remainder of the Alderman White school year, and thank you again for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs A Mellors Head of School