

### Dear Families,

Well, the summer holiday has flown by and we are excited to welcome everyone back to the start of the new year. There is so much to look forward to and lots planned to bring our curriculum to life.

Families who are not new will know that our **holiday dates** are different from some other schools, we have a longer break in October, but a later start to the summer holiday. The dates are [here](#) for your planning. Dates include PD Days and two Collaboration Days where students work remotely at home – we will share everything you need about these as they come closer.

**Exam Results Days** were both great this summer. We have seen a vast number of students leave us to go onto their first choice in their future destinations – this includes Medicine, Veterinary Science, Level 3 apprenticeships and the University of Cambridge.

GCSE outcomes were up on last year bucking the national trend. This gave students access to Sixth Form and college with lots of great performances.

We are very proud of all our students' achievements, the reward for hard work and focus from them, their families and the teachers we have here.

As always, we are at our best by working together, managing any concerns quickly. Your initial point of contact is your child's tutor, and they will email you to introduce themselves to you. In your communication with the school, please be mindful of our policy [here](#). Staff are not able to monitor their mail through the day but will respond in line with our policy.



## REMINDERS & NOTICES

### Cyber Security Careers Event with Baasit Siddiqui

The Digital Communications department were joined by Baasit Siddiqui from Siddiqui Education and star of Channel 4's **Googlebox** as part of the Cyber Explorers programme.



### Year 8 Rivers Trip

In the summer term, our Year 8 students carried out Geography in action. They visited a local river to apply their classroom knowledge, bringing the curriculum to life.



Students taking measurements and collecting data.



### Summer Serenade

The weather was beautiful for our summer serenade, everyone worked so hard and what a performance it was!



### The Great Marches Bake-Off

The Bake-Off challenge in Food was phenomenal – the standard of cooking was high and everyone enjoyed themselves!



## FOCUS



### We welcome our new Year 7 students to 'The Shore'

Our site staff have worked tirelessly over the summer holidays to get our bespoke Year 7 area, **The Shore**, ready to welcome our students this week. This is a concept born from the feedback we received from parents. We thank you for this and truly believe The Shore to be a unique and special place that enables students to transition softly from primary school. Come and visit on Open Evening!



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Click [here](#) to view our upcoming events. Events at a glance:



Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September – Open Evening  
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September - Year 12 Parents Evening & Welcome to Sixth Form  
Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October - Welcome to GCSE - Year 11 Parent Learning Event

Click [here](#) to view our term dates.



## NEWS

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