

24th May 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians

It has been a busy half term at the school and, as I have previously shared with parents and guardians, there have been challenging times, particularly for our Year 11 cohort. I am incredibly proud of the resilience and maturity shown by students and the way Year 11 in particular have supported each other and asked for help when they've needed it.

Examinations

Students in Years 10-13 have been undertaking external examinations and have been impressive in their behaviour during examinations and their attitudes to learning during lessons and revision sessions. I know that there are also revision sessions running over the half-term break. After half term, there are a number of events for students in Year 11 and 13 and we look forward to marking the end of the examination season with them at their assemblies and their proms.

Changes to break and lunch time for Year 9 and Year 10 students

After the half-term break, students in Year 9 will move to the second break and second lunch timetable, in order to enable all year groups to have more space during social times. The Year 9 start and end time will remain the same. Year 9 will move to the atrium, Year 10 will move to the restaurant area, whilst Year 11 will move to the cuboid.

The Year 9 timetable from Monday 3rd June 2024 will therefore run as follows:

Year 9	
Tutor	08:30
Period 1	09:05
Period 2	10:05
Break	11:05
Period 3	11:25
Period 4	12:25
Lunch	13:25
Period 5	14:00
Leave at	15:00

Water safety

I have been informed that some students were seen near the water at the fields by Jim O'Neill Walk during the warmer weather we had at the end of last week. I would urge parents and guardians to remind students that they should not be playing near water and should be going straight home after school.

Key dates for next half term - activities and trips

The key dates for next half term are at the end of this letter and it will be a busy half term with a number of exciting trips and activities taking place for students across the school. I would like to remind parents and guardians that the trips and activities can only run if we receive sufficient parental contributions and that the deadline for payment is Monday 3rd June 2024. Should parents/guardians have any questions about the activities or require a copy of the letter, please contact the main school office.

Communication between school and home

I would like to remind parents and guardians of the importance of always communicating respectfully with school staff, whether in person, on the phone or via email/ClassCharts notifications. I expect that school staff always communicate with families professionally in return and have added this as an agenda item at the next Parent Voice meeting, which will take place on Tuesday 18th June 2024.

Finally, I would like to thank you all for your continued support and wish all members of the community a restful half-term break.

Yours sincerely



Gareth Davies
Headteacher

Key dates for next half term

- Monday 3rd June 2024: Half term begins
- Monday 3rd June 2024 - Friday 7th June 2024: Year 12 PPEs
- Saturday 8th June 2024 - Sunday 9th June 2024: Duke of Edinburgh assessed Bronze expedition
- Monday 10th June 2024 - Friday 14th June 2024: Year 12 work experience week
- Tuesday 11th June 2024: Year 9, 10 & 12 drama theatre trip - 5pm - 11pm
- Friday 14th June 2024: Year 7 angling trip - 12:30pm - 3pm
- Friday 14th June 2024: Year 11 final celebration assembly - 3pm - 4pm
- Friday 14th June 2024: Friends of Ruislip High School community event - 6pm - 9pm
- Sunday 16th June 2024 - Wednesday 19th June 2024: Year 12 geography trip
- Tuesday 18th June 2024: Parent Voice meeting - 6pm - 7pm
- Saturday 22nd June 2024: Year 7 angling trip
- Monday 24th June 2024: Year 10 geography trip
- Wednesday 26th June 2024: Year 10 geography trip
- Wednesday 26th June 2024: Year 13 leavers' assembly - 10:30am - 11:30am
- Wednesday 26th June 2024: Year 13 leavers' ball
- Thursday 27th June 2024: Year 11 prom - 7pm - 11pm
- Friday 28th June 2024 - Sunday 30th June 2024: Duke of Edinburgh assessed Silver expedition
- Friday 28th June 2024: Year 7 Museum of Stories trip
- Friday 28th June 2024: Year 7 London Zoo trip
- Tuesday 2nd July 2024 - Sunday 7th July 2024: Duke of Edinburgh assessed Gold expedition
- Tuesday 2nd July 2024: Sports day
- Tuesday 2nd July 2024: Year 12 University of Hertfordshire trip
- Tuesday 2nd July 2024: Year 6 transition day
- Thursday 4th July 2024: Year 9 Cadbury World trip
- Thursday 4th July 2024: Year 9 Hendon trip
- Thursday 4th July 2024: Year 9 Regents Park theatre trip
- Friday 5th July 2024: Year 12 history trip
- Monday 8th July 2024: Sixth Form induction day
- Tuesday 9th July 2024: Year 8 history trip
- Wednesday 10th July 2024: Year 10 Bletchley Park trip
- Wednesday 10th July 2024: Year 10 Southbank/BFI IMAX trip
- Wednesday 10th July 2024: Year 10 Globe trip
- Wednesday 10th July 2024: Sports presentation evening - 5:30pm - 7pm
- Tuesday 16th July 2024: Reward trip
- Wednesday 17th July 2024: Year 8 vaccinations
- Wednesday 17th July 2024: Drama performance - Wind in the Willows - 5pm - 6pm
- Friday 19th July 2024: Term ends - All students will be dismissed at 12pm