



## Summer Newsletter July 2019

Dear Parent / Carer

As this is the last newsletter of this academic year, I would like to bring parents up to date with some important information. There are staff leaving their posts at the end of this term and I am sure we would all want to thank them for the support they have shown to students and wish them well for the future.

**Mrs Foster – Art**  
**Mr Phelps – Maths**  
**Mrs Nichols – Cover Manager**

There will be staff taking up posts in September and I will write to parents at the start of term to introduce them to you.

### **Final Day of Term**

The last day of the year will be a dedicated House Day and pupils who wish to wear their school PE kit can do so. A £1 voluntary contribution will be made which will support school council projects in the new academic year. Mr Dean and Mrs Bradley will write to parents with further information on the structure of this exciting day. Pupils will be dismissed at 1.30pm following a range of challenges, quizzes, and sports day activities.

On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July, lessons 1-4 will run on normal lesson timing and there will be an afternoon registration at 1.20 pm. School will close at 1.30 pm and the Bromsgrove Bus service will collect students at the end of school. The Black Diamond schedule will operate as normal. The café will be open as normal at morning break.

### **Sports Day**

After a summer of gloriously hot weather, the overall winner of **Sports Day** this year was **Troy**. In an incredibly close competition, a fantastic Year 10 relay race settled the winners by a 10-point margin. Congratulations to all houses. Win, lose or draw, the behaviour of all our students on Sports Day was excellent and all student ambassadors were superb in helping Mrs Bridgeman and the PE Department to organise a great event.

### **Uniform**

When we resume School in September, Students in Year 9 will need a new KS4 tie. This marks the start for Year 9 of KS4 and GCSE subjects. Can you please ensure that they have their new tie.

New PE Kit guidelines include changes to leggings and shorts which will now be navy (previously black). We have also listened to pupil and parent feedback and introduced an optional hooded top (for PE lessons only). See website for guidelines and local suppliers.

A reminder also, please, that tight 'skinny look' trousers or leggings are not part of normal school uniform. These are very popular amongst the girls but should not be worn for school. If you are buying new school shoes for September, photo examples of acceptable shoes are available on our school website under the uniform information tab. Please can you check carefully before replacing any items of uniform.

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## Parent Forum

The Parent Forum meets once a term to discuss any issues that parents would like to raise. There are always some excellent ideas and suggestions that come out of this meeting; ideas that teachers and parents can take forward together to improve our school.

All parents are most welcome to contribute to the meeting and should contact Mr Baker, Assistant Headteacher, for details and to suggest agenda items for discussion. The next meeting will be at **6.00pm on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September** next term. We are hoping for this group to grow and would welcome any parent who feels they could make a contribution. The meetings are an opportunity for parents to give us feedback but we also plan to deliver a brief presentation to attendees on one key area of our school at each meeting.

You can also keep up to date on school events and news by visiting our **Facebook** page (Waseley Hills High School). It is one further way that we try to ensure that parents are kept well informed.

## Start of Term

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind you of the start of term dates for September 2019. School is closed on **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September** for a teacher training day. Therefore, the first day of term for students is **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September** and will be for **Years 7, 12 and 13 only**.

New Year 7 students will be in school for an **8.50 am start** and **Sixth Formers** should arrive in school at the same time. This means that students in **Years 8 to 11** do not start school until **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September** at the normal school time of **8.50 am**. This is to allow Year 7 students important transition time on their first full day at secondary school and to enable our Sixth Form students to take part in a team-building day. This information is summarised in the table below.

Year Group	Start day	Start time
Year 7	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	8.50 am
Sixth Form	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	8.50 am
*Sixth Form late start	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	11:00 am
Years 8, 9, 10 and 11	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	8.50 am

I wish all families a good summer holiday and look forward to welcoming students back to school in September.

Yours sincerely



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Acting Headteacher