

# Parent Bulletin–15<sup>th</sup> June 2018









## Communication

#### **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

- 16<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> June DfE Expedition
- 19th June Coffee morning 9.30-10.30am
- 25<sup>th</sup> June Year 9 careers event with Barclays Bank
- 28<sup>th</sup> June Year 11 Leavers assembly with parents and carers invited 3.30pm
- 29<sup>th</sup> June Year 11 Prom
- 30<sup>th</sup> June PTFA Summer Fair 11.00-2.00pm
- 4<sup>th</sup> July 12 Year 9 pupils visiting the University of Cumbria
- 5th July Year 8 Go for Set careers event
- 6<sup>th</sup> July All Year 10 experience day at Blackpool Sixth Form College
- 6<sup>th</sup> July Year 11 Blackpool Pleasure Beach reward trip (details to follow)
- 23<sup>rd</sup> August GCSE result day

#### Rewards Trip - Friday 13th July

The cost of each trip is £35 and needs to be paid by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June.

## **Important Notices**

#### Blazers

The expectation is that students arrive at the academy wearing their blazer, during the day we will work with the site staff to assess the temperature and teachers will be reminded that students may remove their blazer during lesson time if they wish to do so. At the end of the lesson students are then expected to wear their blazer when moving to the next lesson and when on the corridors.

As always, we are keen to take feedback and work alongside parents to ensure children are happy, safe and supported.

### Achievements

Our Silver Surfers programme is a project to tackle social isolation and strengthen intergenerational relationships in the local community. Last Tuesday was the start of the programme. Every Tuesday our group of volunteers visit Lostock community centre to support some vulnerable elderly people and people with additional needs to access an online ICT course. Our pupils who were from years 7 and 8 shown compassion, patience and empathy, they were excellent facilitators and I was very impressed with their leadership skills. The staff from Blackpool Coastal Housing and Seasiders were impressed with our young people and one of the clients said that she felt that our pupils were like a lifeline. Really proud of our young people.

On Thursday, it was a privilege to hold 72 seconds of silence at midday in remembrance of the tragedy at Grenfell. Our young people have been amazing in their compassion in understanding such tragedy and are realising the real benefits of communities working well together.

We had year 8 and 9 pupils meeting with representatives from the DfE who were interested in gaining young people's views with regards to ambition and aspiration. They were an absolute credit to the academy and indeed to yourselves.

We wait with baited breathe to hear the outcome from the Blackpool Robo competition taking place today. Fingers are crossed for our young people engaged in this competition.

Today was the final day for year 11 and is their official leaving date. There were tears and sad goodbyes but so much to look forward to in their final assembly on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June at 3.30pm with refreshments for families from 3.30pm onwards, their prom on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June and a visit to Blackpool Pleasure on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July. They have been a wonderful year group, really dedicated to their learning and have proven beyond measure of a doubt what wonderful young people they are.

#### • Friends of Highfield Road Park - Art Pallets

Aged 11-15? Got any ideas for our Art Pallets Project? Pallet Art course on August 15<sup>th</sup> and August 29<sup>th</sup> 2018 at Highfield Road Park. For more information and to book your place contact Karen at: friendsofhighfieldroadpark@virginmedia.com. Places limited

### • Head Girl and Boy and Prefects

The process to appoint the Head Girl and Boy and their Deputies along with Prefects will state the week beginning Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June. This will be led by Mrs Thompson so please keep your eyes open for further details.

#### Reminder

Pupils who are taken out of school during term times to go on unauthorised holidays may be subject to a fixed penalty notice. All holiday requests must be place on the holiday form obtained from reception and returned to reception. Parents will then be notified in writing of the decision. Holiday request forms must be submitted 4 weeks prior to the holiday and will only be approved under exceptional circumstances.

#### Parent Drop-In Sessions

Our parent drop-in sessions continue to run every Tuesday 9.00-10.00am and every Thursday 3:20-4:20pm. If you have any concerns or pupil issues pop in to the academy reception and Mrs Benson will meet you on either day between those times.

### GCSE Results Day 2018

This year's results will be available on **Thursday August 23<sup>rd</sup> 2018**. More details will follow.

However, if you are unable to collect your results you must do the following -

- Inform Ms Addison, Exams officer as soon as you can.
- You must provide Ms Addison with details, a letter or email from your email address, of who you are giving permission to collect your results.
- That nominated person must then bring a letter from yourself to the academy with ID of whom they are. They will sign for receipt of your results.
- These are your [the candidates'/pupils] results. I am unable to give them to your parents or siblings or relatives without the appropriate consent from yourself.

If you have any exam queries please do not hesitate to contact – <a href="mailto:lynne.addison@highfield.tetrust.org">lynne.addison@highfield.tetrust.org</a>

2018 Term Dates and Holidays				
04 JUN	Academy open (08:40)			
19 JUL	Academy closes (12:30) Summer holidays begin			
05 SEPT	Academy open for all pupils (08:40am)			

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## **Key communication**

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## G.C.S.E. Examinations 2018 Year 11 Exam Timetable



DATE	A.M. EXAMINATION	EXAM LENGTH	P.M. EXAMINATION	EXAM LENGTH
Mon 18 June	Report at 8.45 am  German Listening Foundation Tier Listening Higher Tier Reading Foundation Tier Reading Higher Tier	35 mins 45 mins 45 mins 1 hour	Report at 1.20 pm	LENGIN
Tues 19 June			Dance: Appreciation.	1hr 30mins
Wed 20 June				
Thurs 21 June	German Writing Foundation Tier Higher Tier	1 hour 1hr 15mins		
Fri 22 June	Design & Technology: Product Design	2 hr		

**END OF GCSE EXAMINATIONS!** Results Day 23rd August 2018