



# THE NEWBRIDGE SCHOOL

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## End of Half Term – October 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

As the half term starts to draw to a close, we wanted to take this opportunity to express how proud we are of the vast majority of our students who have started the year in such a positive manner. Students have started the year smartly dressed with a real commitment to their learning.

Our students have already collectively earned 19387 Achievement Points, with 47% of our students having earned 25 Achievement Points or more.

We would also like to thank you for your continued support in our drive to make The Newbridge School the good school our students and community deserves.

### **Staffing**

Over the half term we have had several staffing updates. Mr Handford has moved in to his new role as PE Lead and, as a result, Mrs Cook has now taken on the role of Head of Year 8 alongside Mrs Chapman as Pastoral Mentor for Year 8. Mr Handford will now, also, be the permanent form tutor for 8B.

We are also pleased to inform you that Mrs Boston has taken up post as Co-Head of Year 11 alongside Mrs Aurora, both of whom will be working with Mr Jones as Pastoral Mentor for Year 11.

Finally, we are pleased to welcome Mr Cooling, a senior leader for The Lionheart Trust, who joins us to teach Key Stage 4 Maths, and Miss Mistry who joins us to teach Key Stage 3 Maths.

### **Tutor Parents' Evening**

Your child's form tutor is the person they see every day and they should be your first port of call for any questions you may have.

On Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October we will be holding our Tutor Parents' Evening. If you have not received the email containing the letter and booking form, then please contact the school office.

The evening will be an opportunity for you to meet your child's form tutor and to discuss how they have settled into the new academic year.

### **Ofsted Update**

Many thanks to the parents who attended our recent parent forum to discuss our next steps following the Ofsted inspection that took place in June. Accompanying this letter is a copy of the slides we shared on this evening, outlining the actions taken so far and the planned actions which will be implemented in the coming months.



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## No Bystanders

This half term we have had a whole school focus on what it means to be an upstander. We have been learning about protected characteristics and the importance of respect. Our students have started work on a 'No Bystanders' campaign and this is something we are dedicated to continue working on and we will write to you with more information following the half term break.



## Personal Study / Revision

We would like to remind all parents that our library is open every day at break and lunchtime and after school until 4:30pm on a Monday to Thursday. The library can be used for students to read, complete homework, revise or complete independent study.

Following the half term break, our Year 11 'Boost' sessions will be starting during lunch time and after school and all parents and carers of Year 11 students will receive the timetable of classes prior to the half term break.

## Parent Feedback

We have recently spoken with a few parents regarding the student toilets. We value parent feedback and would like to thank those parents who provided us with some constructive feedback in order to support us in our improvements.

Each toilet block now contains designated cubicles for girls and designated cubicles for boys as well as cubicles that can be used by all students.



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The attendance of our students is of paramount importance to us, and we appreciate that for some of our students puberty can be a difficult time. Having periods should not be a barrier to education for anyone so we would like to take this opportunity to inform all parents and carers that sanitary products are available free of charge from the main school office or Mrs Davies in attendance/medical.

Additionally, should your child need any painkillers, these can be left by parents at the main office for your child to access whilst in school. There is a form to complete and sign before we can administer medication left in the office.

## Half Term Break

Finally, Friday October 14<sup>th</sup> will be the final day before the half term break. We would also like to remind you that Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October is a staff training day, and all students will return to school on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October.

We wish you all a relaxing half term break.

Kind regards,

Mr M Rowbottom

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