

17th June 2022

Dear parents, carers and all in the Chessington School community

I write to you at the end of a great week at Chessington School.

While it was a warm afternoon for the last hours of today it was great to see our students resilient, smiling and focussed on learning. Please remember that summer uniform protocols came into place from Monday last week, where students only have to have their blazer with them (in their bag etc for any formal occasion) and can wear their light cotton shirt (recommended by Gov.UK) with their tie. Students commented how helpful this was on a warmer day such as today. Thank you all for preparing with extra water and sun cream. Sadly it will rain tomorrow!

I want to take the time to praise our students for their focus throughout their GCSE, Post 16 and end of year exams. While our Year 11s approach the finish line for their public exams and our Year 10s have got their results, it's now onto the end of year exams for our lower years. Parents please support, remind and provide whatever space (literally and figuratively) you can for them to revise. These exams are important to measure their progress but also to ensure we can teach and correct any gaps as part of their longer progress journey. Do contact us and see the website (you will see we are updating this) for any advice. Remember they only get this time once.

If you have another child in our area in Years 4, 5 or 6 you will no doubt have seen that we are working very closely to give these children further opportunities and a real sense of secondary school. From Year 4 sports tournaments and Year 5 taster days (please do come along for the last session of the day if you have a child in a

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**Every day** an opportunity

**Every moment** focused on success





local school in Year 5) to the range of transition activities we are doing such as information evening on 30th of June or the induction day on the 6th July. With transition and next educational steps in mind please take note that our **Open** Evening is Thursday 22nd September 2022 which is only a few weeks after we get back from the Summer holidays.

I hope to see you all soon as we have several events coming up also including our Year 11 Prom at Epsom Racecourse next Friday 24th June, our Sports Celebration evening and our Year 8 BBQ amongst many others. One event that we cannot attend is (sadly) is the Year 7 Junior NBA finals on Tuesday 21st June. It's an incredible feat that our Year 7s are in the NATIONAL final - whatever the outcome they have done brilliantly but I hope they play their hearts out and are competitive on the day.

A final reminder to pay for the awesome activities that have been planned for Alternative Learning Week. Payment can be made via <u>Schoolgateway.com</u> If you need support making this payment please contact the school office.

Thanks as always for your support and ideas - Have a great weekend.

Yours sincerely

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