



Friday 24th March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

It's been lovely to have school open for the full week without any disruption to learning; thank you for your understanding in relation to the recent industrial action – obviously this is not of our making and we are hoping that the national situation may be resolved within the near future.

Just a few messages this week:

Our new Headteacher for September

Having informed you of my forthcoming retirement at the end of this academic year, I am absolutely delighted to announce the appointment of Mr R Houghton to the post of Headteacher of Hyde High School from 1st September. Following a rigorous interview process this week, led by our school governors along with external advisors, he more than proved his expertise and his commitment to and belief in our school. Mr Houghton has been a Deputy Headteacher here since 2012 and I could not be more confident that he is exactly the right person to drive our wonderful school onwards and upwards.

Dates for your diary over the next half term:

Friday 31st March – school finishes for the 2 week Easter break

Monday 17th April – school reopens

Monday 1st May – Bank Holiday (schools closed)

Thursday 4th May – Year 8 Parents' Evening

Monday 8th May – Additional Bank Holiday for the King's coronation (schools closed)

Friday 26th May - school finishes for the 1 week half term break.

Lateness to school

Just a reminder of our start times as we have seen an increase recently in the number of pupils regularly arriving late for school.

Years 7, 8 and 9 in form rooms by 8:35am

Years 10 and 11 in form rooms by 8:40am

We are likely to move to a single start time to avoid any confusion or excuses and to allow us to address lateness more effectively; we will update you in due course.

Year 11 Revision Sessions

There will be a variety of revision sessions offered, targeted at key groups, during the Easter break and after-school sessions are ongoing until exams start. Information relating to holiday sessions will be sent directly to the relevant pupils. As Year 11 move into their last few weeks before their live exams begin in May, they are advised to make the most of every additional opportunity for guided learning.

Their **attendance every day** is crucial and **will** make a difference to final outcomes in August. This is a pressured time for Year 11 pupils and if you feel that your son or daughter needs some additional support, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Effective revision now will improve confidence and make the exam season easier to work through.

As the clocks go forward and evenings get lighter, I wish all of our pupils and families a lovely weekend. I would also like to wish all of our Muslim pupils and families a peaceful Ramadan.

Best wishes,



Andrea Radcliffe
Headteacher