

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well and that you've had an enjoyable summer break filled with relaxation and fun. As the new academic year commences, I want to extend a warm welcome back to you, all our returning students and to our wonderful new year 9 and 12 cohort. Everyone has enjoyed a really successful first week back.

The start of a new academic year is always an exciting time. It's a fresh beginning, a chance to learn and grow, and an opportunity to set new goals. On the subject of goal setting we are delighted to share that our Year 13 students did exceptionally well in their exams and we wish them all of the best for the future, with 84% going off to University and the remaining 16% being successful in obtaining apprenticeships or employment. Our Year 11 students achieved the **best results ever**, testament to the hard work of all of the students. Our upcoming newsletter will share some of the key student highlights from this exam season as there were so many students achieving the top grades.

Detention information

Scott Medical and Healthcare College is dedicated to delivering a high quality educational experience. We believe that all students have the right to thrive in a secure, contented, and constructive atmosphere that offers the chance to make substantial progress and accomplish challenging objectives. In situations where students do not meet these standards, we want to be up front and clear that consequences are in place as follows and are non negotiable:

- Late to school* - 1 hour detention
- Non completion or poor quality homework - 1 hour detention
- Equipment missing - twice in one week - 1 hour detention
- Uniform infringement - twice in one week - 1 hour detention
- Disruption in lessons or late to lessons - removed to recovery centre. Students continuing to exhibit this behaviour in recovery will have a 1 hour detention

** Unless an agreed late pass is in place for those travelling greater distances by public transport*

Parents/carers will be informed of these detentions by 12.30pm.

Open Evening - Early closure

Advanced notice of our Open Evening for Year 8 and 11 students and their parents. To allow time for the preparation of this evening students will be dismissed at **12.20 pm on Wednesday 4th October.**

Students entitled to a free school meal will be provided with this at Break A. The rest of the week will be a normal timetable. If this arrangement is difficult for you, we are able to offer supervision for students in the Scott Suite until 3pm. Please contact your child's tutor to confirm your request.

As usual many students will volunteer time to support us and a separate communication will follow containing the details needed.

Preparation for the year ahead

Students will be restocked with equipment as well as folders for their homework books and knowledge organisers. These are needed everyday so it is important that your son / daughter has a good sized bag or rucksack for school. They should also carry a water bottle that can be refilled throughout the day.

A reminder that our uniform policy is very clear and will be adhered to in all cases - so ensure that jewellery, piercings, false nails and lashes are removed as per our policy and note that extreme hair styles and colour are not permitted.

We have an exciting year ahead with various activities, events, and educational adventures planned. I look forward to seeing students smiling faces back in our classrooms and hallways, ready to embark on this new chapter of their educational journey.

If there is anything you would like to discuss or if you have any concerns as your child settles back into school, please feel free to reach out to me or any member of our staff. We are here to support our young people and ensure that their time at our school is both enriching and enjoyable.

Wishing you a fantastic school year ahead!

Yours faithfully



Mrs K Merricks
Head of School