

13 September 2016

Dear Parents

**Congratulations** to the following pupils who passed their music exams at the end of last term:

Thomas Brook	Grade 3 Music Theory
Hugo Fry	Grade 3 Music Theory
Oliver Hull	Grade 3 Music Theory
Robert Kemp	Grade 3 Music Theory
Emily Barker	Grade 4 Music Theory
Holly McDonnell	Grade 5 Singing
Ethan Scott	Grade 5 Music Theory
Phoebe Young	Grade 8 Violin

I have attached a copy of the school's **Photo Policy** and a **Photo Consent Form**. We often use photographs of pupils to promote the school and to highlight achievements, but are unable to publish photographs of any pupil for whom we do not have a signed consent form. **If your son/daughter is in Y7 or Y12 or is new to the school**, and you are happy for them to be included in photographs, please return a signed consent form to the school office by **Friday 23 September**.

We will be submitting an order for School Sports Fleece Jackets on **Friday 23 September**. If you would like to place an order, please contact Ms Aitkenhead in the school office. They are £26 each and payment must be made at the time of ordering and can be by cash, cheque or via Parentpay. I attach an order form.

We have a large amount of **lost property** in the school office. If you think your child may have lost an item please do call and see if it is here.

With the development of the intranet and Pack My Bag App, **student planners** have not been as useful for senior pupils. This year, therefore, we are trialling just having planners for the Lower School. We will review this after Christmas.



#### County Netball Players

Congratulations to Georgina Oliver (9S) and Katie Storr (10S) who have been selected for the county squads.



Finally some reminders:

- The deadline for return of **Biometric Consent Forms and Trips Consent Forms** was yesterday. I understand from the School Office that there are still a number outstanding, please can you return them as soon as possible.
- If you wish your child to stay **after school** to wait for a lift, I would be grateful if you could either email me or write a letter. Children must then sign in and out at the school office and work quietly in either the IT Room or Geography Room.
- Unless there are exceptional circumstances please do not drop your children off or pick them up on school premises as it compromises **pupils' safety**. There are also concerns about congestion outside school so it would be very helpful if you could park at the industrial estate or a little further away from the school entrance.
- There is a talk for **Y9 pupils and their parents on Monday 26 September** at 7.00 pm in the hall, giving general information and guidance about starting GCSE courses.
- Applications for the **Sixth Form Bursary** are due in **by Friday 23 September**, as are applications for the **Y12 Study Tour to Australia**.

Yours sincerely



Miss A Francis  
Headteacher



#### Sharp Shooter

Congratulations to Arya Pilani (11C) who has been selected for the GB Shooting Performance Squad.

