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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you are well. I know the weather has been incredibly warm of late and the students have managed brilliantly.

Many thanks as always for your support it is very much appreciated. It has been a very busy Term and Year, but we have achieved so much. The students have been working hard right up until the end and it was lovely today to see them enjoy the rewards trip and the in-school activities.

We have been having assemblies the past few days to go over our expectations for September. There are some slight changes to a few areas, but this will all be communicated out over the Summer break, so you are up to speed with everything.

Just a couple of early reminders if I may. Please make sure that if your child would like a piercing that it is done at the start of the holidays, as piercings are not allowed. Plasters over piercings are also not allowed and the piercing has to be removed.

Hoodies and non-uniform items will not be allowed on the premises come September so please ensure your child has a coat if they wish to wear something to and from school to keep them dry and warm.

Please check the handbook regarding footwear. Only shoes that can be polished are allowed and any shoes with a sports logo are forbidden. If in doubt please do check with us. Trainers are needed for PE. Baseball boots or vans etc are not a substitute for trainers.

The leggings for PE have to now be Boteler branded leggings bought from Surr ridge. Ordinary black leggings are not acceptable. The PE kit has to have the same importance as the school uniform.

Again, as I said there will be a large communication from me coming up, but a 'heads-up' usually helps. The students have all been fully informed.

Monday 5th September

KS4 students will line up at the front of school in their designated areas, waiting to be welcomed in by their Heads of Year. KS3 students will line up in their designated Tutor group

lines between the Ball Hall and School. Breakfast clubs will be up and running within the first few weeks and details will be communicated out. These areas have changed so please make sure your child knows where to go.

Students will have their uniform and equipment checked on arrival to school. Any issues will be dealt with before they get to Form. Please make sure that your child arrives to school every day with a fully stocked pencil case, scientific calculator, reading book and Independent Study Pack – ISP (which will have their Knowledge Organisers in). Students can buy equipment if needed as they enter school.

The new academic year will begin on Monday 5th of September 2022 and this will be week 1.

School Day

	Monday - Thursday	Friday
Year 11 arrive at school Year 7-10 arrive at school	8.10 8.25	8.50 for all students (later start as staff are in a CPD session)
P0 for Year 11 Form Period Year 7-10	8.15-8.55 8.30-8.55	8.55-9.10 8.55-9.10
Period 1	8.55-9.55	9.10-10.10
Period 2	9.55-10.55	10.10-11.10
Break	10.55-11.15	11.10-11.25
Period 3	11.15-12.15	11.25-12.25
Period 4	12.15-13.15	12.25-13.25
Lunch	13.15-14.00	13.25-14.00
Period 5	14.00-15.00	14.00-15.00

Lessons are timetabled over a 2-week period; the weeks are called week 1 and week 2 for organisational purposes.

School Chess

Huge congratulations to Matas Milesinas who became the Sir Thomas Boteler school chess champion on sports day and having won all three Sir Thomas Boteler Grand Prix events. Thank you to all those who have enjoyed chess club and congratulations to all those who have represented the school at chess either online or over the board.

STEM Challenge

In March, to celebrate British Science Week, students in key stage three took part in the BP ultimate STEM challenge. They had lessons about what net zero means and then had a challenge to design a net zero community at Sir Thomas Boteler. The students did an amazing job of coming up with some innovative solutions such as carbon capture grass and wildflower gardens to increase biodiversity as well as growing more greenery around the school in offset the carbon footprint a school makes. They have received a collective certificate for their work on the project. Well done key stage three.

GCSE results Day

I hope that our Year 11 students are enjoying a well-earned break after completing the longest GCSE exam season that has taken place in recent years. We are looking forward to celebrating with them the culmination of five years' hard work on results day. Results day this year is on **Thursday 25th August 2022** where results will be available for students to collect from the main school hall from 9:30am. We look forward to seeing Year 11 again on the big day.

Parent Governor Ballot

We are pleased to announce that our two new Parent Governors are Mrs Anna Stansfield and Mrs Rebecca Dean. Thank you to the four candidates that applied and to everyone who voted.

Thank you as always for the support you have given us as a school. We love working with you and are grateful you are a part of our Boteler Family. I hope you have a lovely summer. Please get in touch if you need anything but please be mindful that the staff will be having a break too.

Please take care and stay safe.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Beverley Scott-Herron'. The signature is stylized with a large 'B' and 'H'.

Beverley Scott –Herron
Headteacher