



HAMPSTEAD SCHOOL

Learning together Achieving together

Dear Parent/Carer,

Although the nights are drawing in, your children bring light and energy into school every day. Thank you for all of the work you do at home to prepare them to do their very best.

The first half term

We had a very positive first half term to this academic year. Our new Year 7 and Year 12 cohorts have made a smooth transition and are already contributing new ideas to the school community. A number of extra-curricular projects – including our Sister Act production, Donmar Warehouse project and Police Cadets programme – are up and running and well attended. A new partnership with the Sufra Food Bank has seen regular and generous donations from students, and also led to more families accessing the support they need. Educational visits have gone out to a range of destinations, including Google Headquarters at Kings Cross. Finally, we have hosted a number of very well-attended parent/carers information events, strengthening the partnership that lies at the heart of educational achievement.

Dealing with current events

At the same time, there have been a number of news stories that have created significant levels of worry and upset. The earthquake in Morocco, flooding in Libya, stabbing in Croydon and recent events in Palestine and Israel all provide examples of events that have deeply affected members of our school community. We have worked hard to closely monitor individual students and provide personalised support when needed. We have also engaged with outside agencies to access expert guidance; as an example, Solutions not Sides will be delivering a series of workshops over the coming months.

If recent events have affected your child, and you feel in-school support would be beneficial, please contact the relevant pastoral team (further detail below).

If you and your loved ones have been directly affected by recent events, please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you.



Remembrance Day

Friday 10 November, 1030 > 1115

Such events bring more meaning and poignancy to our annual observation of Remembrance Day. This Friday we will be coming together as a school community to remember all of those affected by war around the world, and reflect on the sacrifices made by so many to promote justice, safety and peace.

We would be privileged if you could join us. We will run a short introductory session at 1030, before joining students for the two-minute silence at 1100.

If you plan to attend, please email details to enquiries@hampsteadschool.org.uk

Contact with pastoral teams

We have introduced new email addresses for pastoral enquiries. Where you may have previously emailed a Head of Year directly, we ask that you use the relevant email address below. The Head of Year will normally be the person who responds, but

Year 7: 7@hampsteadschool.org.uk

Year 8: 8@hampsteadschool.org.uk

Year 9: 9@hampsteadschool.org.uk

Year 10: 10@hampsteadschool.org.uk

Year 11: 11@hampsteadschool.org.uk

Sixth Form: Sixthform@hampsteadschool.org.uk

Upcoming events

Tuesday 21 November – Sixth Form Open Evening - [Sixth Form Open Evening Tickets](#)

Thursday 30 November – Y11 Parent Consultation Evening

Friday 1 December – INSET DAY No Students in school

Wednesday 6 December/Thursday 7 December – School Production

Thursday 7 December – Christmas Concert

Friday 22 December – End of Term. Students finish school at 12.30

Monday 8 January 2024 – Start of Term. Students start at 11.00

Thank you for your ongoing support. Please do get in touch if you have any questions or concerns.

All best wishes,



Matthew Sadler
Head