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HEADMISTRESS

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Dear Parents

Re: Headmistress's Letter

We have come to the close of another successful year at Braeside, and I hope, like me, you have enjoyed the many events in which we have shared the pupils' achievements over the course of this year.

Sports Day just over three weeks ago was excellent. Our pupils showcased their sporting talents, their team spirit and their support for each other. It was lovely to see the older pupils helping the younger ones. And to have so many parents there to watch the races.

The Early Years Celebration of the Year last Friday was lovely, as was the Speech Day and Prize Giving that followed. We celebrated the progress and achievements of all the children in Kindergarten and Reception. We heard about their highlights of the year and we presented each child with a certificate to acknowledge their particular progress this year. They entertained us beautifully with songs, with some lovely props and actions.

As I said that afternoon, I am very proud of the pupils: their service to the school, their positive attitudes to learning, their community spirit and the respect they show each other and the staff. I feel privileged to see their development and progress year on year. Of course, it was lovely to award prizes, but my hope is that each and every pupil knows they are valued and understands that we recognise the progress they are making.

Lost Property and Lockers

Any items left in school after the end of term will be collected up by the caretakers. We will attempt to return named items to pupils in September but if items are not reclaimed at the start of term, they will be recycled. All seniors have been asked to empty their lockers and take home the padlocks, as we will be reassigning lockers in September.

End of Term Reports

Reports have now been published and all parents can download them from the portal. We hope you find them informative and helpful. All pupils have progress targets on which to build next year. If your child is leaving Braeside this summer, please ensure you have downloaded the reports and any other information from the portal you would like to keep by Friday 12 July.

GCSE Examination Results

GCSE results are published on Thursday 22 August. Mrs Sheffield and Mrs Moon will be in school in the morning for pupils to come into school to collect their results from 8.30 - 10am. They need to be collected from the School Hall. Pupils should sign in at the office when they arrive.

Queries, Concerns and Complaints

As I am sure you will be aware, we have an open door policy throughout the school and we make every effort to respond quickly to any queries or concerns you may have. I thought you might like to know that over the course of this academic year we had no formal complaints. Please do continue to come in and chat if you would like to.

Final Thoughts

To all those parents whose children are leaving Braeside this July, I wish you and your children the very best for the future.

As another school year draws to its close, I hope you all have a restful summer break and are able to enjoy time with family and friends. Thank you for all your support this year, and for the positive comments, letters and emails I have received. I look forward to seeing all the girls go on to achieve in the future.

The New Term in September

The Autumn term begins on Wednesday 4 September at the normal times for an 8.40am start.

Forthcoming Events

Weds 4 September	First Day of Summer Term
Mon 9 September	Read Write Inc Mtg for EYFS Parents
Tues 17 September	Year 10 GCSE Parents' Meeting
Tues 17 September	Individual School Photographs
Tues 17 September	Head Girl Conference at Forest School
Thurs 19 September	Oak-Tree Year 3 Summit Rocks Overnight Camp
Fri 20 September	Oak-Tree Year 3 Summit Rocks Overnight Camp
Fri 20 September	Jeans for Genes Day
Tues 24 September	Year 11 Sixth Form Options Meeting (Parents/Pupils)
Thurs 26 September	Year 8 HPV Vaccination
Weds 2 October	Braeside Seniors Open Evening
Thurs 3 October	Braeside Juniors Open Morning
Thurs 3 October	National Poetry Day (Juniors)
Fri 4 October	Juniors Flu Vaccinations
Weds 9 October	Years 1 & 2 Visit to Waltham Abbey Gardens (tbc)
Thurs 10 October	Harvest Festival rehearsal (Juniors)
Fri 11 October	Juniors Harvest Festival
Fri 11-Sun 13 October	PGL Netball Weekend (joint trip with Normanhurst)
Tues 15 October	Years 5, 6, & 7 Visit to Lee Valley Mosque
Tues 15 October	Junior Parents Evening
Weds 16 October	Junior Parents Evening
Fri 18 October	Years 8, 9 & Year 10 GCSE Geography Field Study Trip (tbc)
Mon-Fri 21/25	Madrid Sports/Cultural Trip (joint with Normanhurst)
Mon 21 October – Friday 1 November	HALF TERM

With my very best wishes for a happy holiday

Yours sincerely



Claire Osborn
Headmistress



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