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Dear Parents

Re: June 25 Headmistress's Letter

I hope you had an enjoyable half-term break. There are some exciting events on the details of which are in this letter and in further communications from school. Please do make sure you read them and reply to any text back messages so that we can accommodate children and parents.

End of Year exams and assessments

The Senior exam timetable was published to your portal several weeks ago. These exams run from Monday 2 June to Friday 6 June (inclusive). Pupils should have used the weeks before these exams to prepare by revising at home. The revision lists have been on Show My Homework since the beginning of May. Pupils sit these exams in test conditions and must be equipped on the day. Pupils must have a clear exam pencil case with working pens (preferably black), sharpened pencils, a clean eraser and a maths set and calculator. It is imperative that pupils get a good night's sleep and eat well during exams to support them through a challenging week of assessment.

Junior pupils have their Cambridge Primary Insight assessments (formally known as INCAS) the week of 9 June to 13 June. These exams will be completed in the computer suite in the mornings. They will also have additional assessments in the classroom. If you have any questions about these exams, please contact your child's class teacher in the first instance so we can best answer your question.

Staff news

I am delighted to tell you that Miss Barrett gave birth to a baby girl last month. We are very happy for her and I am sure you will be wishing her well as she starts an exciting chapter as a mum. She hopes to visit school before the end of the term.

Text books

Senior pupils are given textbooks to use in lessons and at home at the start of the year. These textbooks must be looked after carefully so that they can be used the following year. Please take the remainder of the Summer Term to inspect the condition of these textbooks. If you think that your child has damaged the textbook, please let the office know as soon as you can so that a replacement can be ordered. Any damage to textbooks must be paid for.

Pupils in Year 11 must hand in all textbooks to the office by the end of GCSE exams. All other year groups must hand in textbooks by Friday 4 July to the class or subject teacher.

Sports Day

Sports Day is on Friday 27 June. We will be holding the morning events on site for pupils and staff. The afternoon event takes place on the cricket field adjacent to the school. Families are invited to join us for the afternoon. You have received a text from the office asking for a reply to indicate your attendance. Please respond to the text message. If you are joining us, bring a picnic blanket or something to sit on and wear sun protection as there is limited shade.

If you know your child will be absent on this day, please let the office know as soon as possible because pupils and staff are planning the teams in advance. We hope to see you there!

FOBS 'Era's festival'

I have recently communicated to you about our End of Era Festival courtesy of FOBS. This event will be on Tuesday 1 July during the school day. FOBS are paying for the whole event including a selfie booth, music DJ, party entertainer, sweet stall and tattoo stall. Year 10 have kindly offered to help run the event, along with the staff. Pupils do not need to buy a ticket but they will be given a ticket as a keepsake. If any parent has a contact for an ice cream van that would be available to distribute ice cream or lollies on 1 July, paid for by FOBS, we would be grateful if you could let the office know. Pupils may bring disco or festival themed clothes in to wear, if they wish.

Alumni event

You may have seen from our social media platforms that we are holding an Alumni Day for past pupils. This will be during the day on Friday 4 July. We are planning an afternoon tea for former pupils, a tour of the building, including the Braeside Archive Museum, and a performance from the Key Stage 3 and Junior choir to finish off the day. Pupils will be expected to attend in full school uniform for the whole day, as they will be showing visitors around the site. I will write to you again in due course once we have final numbers for the day.

Uniform for the remainder of the year

Senior pupils can wear short, white ankle socks now. If they prefer black tights, this is also acceptable. Pupils must have their blazer with them all day but may remove this during lessons if the weather is warm. We expect all pupils to tie their hair back if it is below chin length – either with a hairband or clips of appropriate colour. **Pupils must NOT wear make-up to school.** Please check that your child is appropriately dressed for school including checking jewellery and make-up. We will issue a detention if they fail to comply with these rules.

Dates for the Diary

Please make a note of the following dates for this term:

Mon - Fri	02 Jun – 06 Jun	Year 7 – 11 End of Year Exams
Wednesday	04 Jun	Year 1 & 2 OTG 2 tees Cricket @ Oaklands School
Mon – Fri	09 Jun – 13 Jun	Junior CPI End of Year Assessments
Thursday	12 Jun	Year 8 Maths Trail
Wed – Thur	18 Jun – 19 Jun	Year 9 D of E Expedition
Wed – Fri	18 Jun – 20 Jun	Year 4 – Year 6 Lambourne End Residential Trip
Monday	23 June	Year 7 CHS Transition Morning
Tuesday	24 June	U9, 10 & 11 Quadkids Athletics
Friday	27 June	Sports Day
Monday	30 June	Year 9 First Aid
Monday	07 July	Speech Day
Wednesday	09 July	Whole School Trip to Flip Out, Lakeside
Thursday	10 July	12pm End of Summer Term

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch with myself or Miss Wood. I hope to see you in person in our end of term events.

With kind regards

Yours sincerely



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Headmistress



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