

Parent Forum Meeting  
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November  
2016



# New Developments



- ❧ New school entrance pathway to be constructed to avoid students crossing Common Lane on the bend has been delayed.
- ❧ New mezzanine and the new lunch structure has reduced overcrowding in the restaurant.
- ❧ New IBCP training for Post 16 teachers has taken place.
- ❧ Students can now use the bridge to move between maths, MFL and English to avoid congestion on the stairs.
- ❧ The duty teams have been increased to ensure safe supervision at before school, break times & after school.

# Standing Items



- ☞ Attendance is currently 94.1%.
- ☞ We are fully staffed in all subject areas. Our new SENCO, Miss King, joins us in January 2017.
- ☞ We have had an Ofsted trained inspector, Mr Stoneham in school for 3 days to carry out a review. We have received an excellent report.
- ☞ Upcoming events: 14<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Showcase; Christmas Tea Party and Christmas Market. 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> December – Grease production (Tickets £6 - £10)
- ☞ Early closure tomorrow (12.00pm) for staff training.

# Trips



- Year 11 are going to the Orchard theatre to see Blood Brothers as part of their course.
- Selected KS3 students are taking part in the Faraday Challenge at Longfield School.
- 1<sup>st</sup> December - Royal Navy in school to work with Post 16 students.
- Year 10 & Post 16 Question Time event.
- 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> December – Year 7 Pantomime Trip (Hazlitt Theatre in Maidstone).
- Sri Lanka Trip – parent meeting tonight.
- Trip to Barcelona with Longfield Academy

- Wilmington secured significant improvements between 2015 and 2016 in post 16 attainment and progress producing an outstanding set of results in years 12 and 13.

**Summer 2016 Results**

**KS5**

	<b>2015 Results</b>	<b>2016 Results</b>
<b>Average Grade</b>	C+	B
<b>% A*-A Grades*</b>	35	65
<b>% A*-C Grades*</b>	82	87
<b>% A*-E Grades</b>	98	100

\* Like for like comparison with 2015 measures

**KS4**

	<b>2015 Results</b>	<b>2016 Results</b>
<b>Progress 8</b>	+0.08	+0.12
<b>% A*-C Eng &amp; Ma</b>	51	56
<b>% A*-C EBacc</b>	13	14
<b>% 5+ A*-C EM</b>	46	50
<b>% 5+ A*-C</b>	54	69

# Student Achievements



- ❧ All Year 11 students have mentors who meet with them regularly to check on their progress.
- ❧ Our students have been selected by KCC to run a Safer Parking programme this week.
- ❧ Action Day, organised by Mr Devlin, took place last week and a challenging agenda of topics was covered (ISIS, radicalisation, exploitation, body image, alcohol awareness, and FGM).

# A.O.B.



Parents reported the late delivery of some Parentmail messages. Mr Dedross to raise the need for greater notice of events. Text messages were popular.

Wilmington Safer Streets – an effective body that raises issues about Common Lane.

Astronomy & Further maths for most able students – comments to be forwarded to teachers as parents are very pleased with these options.

Set changes within subjects – Mr Dedross explained the nature of student grouping in different subjects and year groups.

Laminated progress cards – some subjects missing and some discrepancies between report grade and card grade. Mr Dedross to investigate.

Show My Homework is highly valued by Parents. It was requested that all staff indicate when the work has been submitted. Some items found in bags weeks later. 7 day homework deadlines are most effective.

GCSE certificates to be collected from the Examinations Officer, Mrs Jackson, from Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December. A Parentmail letter will be sent out shortly.

Date of next meeting: Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2017