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Dear Parent/Guardian

Exams

This week has seen the start of the GCSE exams in earnest with Year 11 Art and Photography groups dedicating themselves to two full days of exam time on their final pieces. I was honoured to be asked to be the subject for one student and enjoyed my time being directed to strike a powerful pose in various locations around the school site! Next week sees Year 10 stepping up for their PPEs - they have been well prepared and any resources for final revision are available via the relevant google classroom. I wish everyone the best of luck!

Maths Challenge

Year 7 and 8 have not been left behind, as over 120 students this week took part in the UK Junior Maths challenge. The focus in the hall during the tasks was brilliant and a huge thanks goes to the Maths team - Mrs Chopra, Mrs Gopal, Mrs Priest and Mrs Howes - for preparing and motivating the students so well. We look forward to some excellent results!

Staffing news

Finally, some more staffing news. At the end of the year Mrs Benham will be leaving us to take up a new post as Assistant Headteacher Inclusion at Maiden Erlegh Reading. We will be very sad to see her go but I am delighted to announce two new appointments:

Mr Clark who will join us as Assistant Headteacher Behaviour and Culture, he is already an experienced senior leader in his current school.

Miss Mart has been appointed as a new teacher in Science and will join the school in September. Mrs Ashley (currently Head of years 10 and 11) will be taking on the role of SENCO.

As always do get in touch with any questions, suggestions or concerns.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

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