

Dear Parent/Carer, 11/07/2024

#### **End of Summer Term Update**

At the end of the academic year at Heworth Grange, I just wanted to provide you with an update on the Summer Term and look forward to the year ahead with much optimism.

There has been many excellent events both inside and outside of Heworth Grange that have taken place over the Summer Term that we continue to be immensely proud of our students' contributions. Highlights include the most recent 'Addams Family' show, the participation of students In the Consilium Trust Sports Day and the Consilium Run, which took place with Years 7-10 last week.

In advance of the new academic year, I wanted to provide an update on the leadership of Heworth Grange. Neil Rodgers was appointed as new Headteacher earlier In the Summer Term. Neil Is a successful and highly experienced Headteacher, who will bring a wealth of knowledge in leading the school and continuing the excellent work conducted by school leaders and staff this year. Neil will commence as Headteacher at the beginning of September. I will be moving to a different post in our Trust in September, with the Regional Hub Director for the North East, Allie Denholm, overseeing Heworth Grange.

## In addition, I provide a summary of key pieces of information in advance of the holiday:

## 1. End of Term Arrangements

On **Friday the 19**<sup>th</sup> **of July**, the school will be welcoming our students to their Summer holiday and releasing them from the academy at **12:30pm**.

As school is closing early, our kitchens will unfortunately will not be open for lunch. If your child is entitled to free school meals you can order a packed lunch for your child to collect and take home with them. Please use the following <u>link</u> to order, <u>no later than Friday 12th July.</u>

#### 2. Autumn Term Arrangements

## Return to School

All students of all year groups will be expected to return to school by <u>no later than 08:40am on Wednesday the 4th</u> <u>of September</u>, entering through the main student gates.

#### 3. School Uniform

As we enter a new academic year, our expectations for school uniform remain consistently high. Further information relating to our uniform policy can be found on our website. Please carefully familiarise yourself with this information before buying uniform. Incorrect uniform will be challenged and addressed upon entrance to school. Students who are unable to adhere to the uniform policy will be provided with appropriate uniform to ensure the high standards we expect of our students.

## 4. Our Climate for Learning - The Heworth Grange Way

At Heworth Grange, we are committed to providing a climate for learning that is disruption free, concentrating on *'Excellence in all that we do'* and ensuring that all of our students receive ambitious and challenging Teaching and Learning, 'day-in, day-out'.

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We are passionate in our guest to continue to improve our climate for learning and minimise distractions. The use of mobile phones continues to be not permitted when on the school premises. Mobile phones will be permitted to be carried by students but must be turned off and in their school bag. If a student is seen accessing a mobile phone on the school site, they will be politely asked by a member of staff to turn it off and put the phone in their bag. Students who repeatedly use their mobile phones will have their mobile phone confiscated. This will be held in a secure location. A Parent or Carer will be contacted to collect the mobile phone at the end of the day, this will not be returned back to the student.

As Parents and Carers will be aware, ClassCharts is the online system we use in School to monitor students' behaviour, both positive and negative. Moving forward, we will be utilising additional functions of this system, as such it is essential that all Parents and Carers have full access to ClassCharts.

In September, all log in details will be re-shared with Parents and Carers, following this if there are any further issues please get in touch with School and we will be able to support with this. Please note 'ClassCharts Parents' is a free app available on all android and iPhone devices.

Our school community has identified and fully supports that this change will further enhance our climate for learning and provide a much greater opportunity for students to be fully focussed.

# How to Get In Touch if You Have Any Questions or Concerns

If you have any questions about any of the information communicated in this letter, or wish to let us know of any changes to your contact details, please contact us on (0191) 4212244, or via email (heworthgrangeenquiries@consilium-at.com)

# Are you Interested In having a direct voice in supporting and challenging school provision

Parent Governor (Local Academy Board) places are available!

If you are Interested In this opportunity, please email Alice Hollamby, for more details (alice.hollamby@consilium-at.com).

### Safeguarding Concerns - Summer Holidays

Heworth Grange is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare and safety of all students and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

We strive to ensure that consistent and effective safeguarding procedures are in place to support families, students and staff at school.

If you wish to share any Safequarding concern that you have, please use our SHARP reporting tool.

In addition, you can find out additional Safeguarding information by accessing our 'Keeping Our Children Safe' section of our website.

On behalf of the staff of Heworth Grange and Consilium Academies Trust, I would like to wish you and your family well over the Summer holidays and look forward to safely welcoming your child back to school in September.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Owen Inglis **Executive Headteacher**  Mr Neil Rodgers Headteacher (Elect)

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