



13th July 2018

Dear parents and carers,

Induction Days 2018

As we look forward to the new academic year, it has been a pleasure to welcome our 2018/19 Year 7 and Year 12 cohorts into the school for their induction events. Although many Year 6 students were nervous at the start of the day, all left with smiles and confidence once they had experienced two days of life at Wollaston! Our Sixth Form ambassadors and form tutors provided a packed programme of teambuilding, challenges and sample lessons. There was clear evidence of a real collaboration with form groups and the early indications are that we will have a new Year 7 capable of achieving great things with us at Wollaston.

The Year 12 induction event was equally successful, as we welcomed returning students, as well as new entrants to Year 12, to prepare for September. Students were introduced to our new Assistant Headteacher and Head of Sixth Form, Mr Tony Mills, as well as hearing from our new Head Students. Feedback from both days has been incredibly positive and we look forward to beginning September with two new year groups joining the Wollaston family.

Recognition for Excellent Behaviour

As we approach the end of the year, formal recognition is being given to students who have achieved high numbers of positive behaviour points throughout the year. Certificates are awarded for 50, 100 and 200 behaviour points, and a pleasingly large number of students have achieved these milestones. Congratulations to all students who have received a certificate. It is worth noting that their points also contribute to the house points totals. This is important news, as this year's house competition is the closest it has been in years. Final positions will be published next week!

Maths Challenge

Mr Walton will shortly be leaving Wollaston School to take up a teaching position in the UAE. Alongside a team of talented mathematicians, he signed off in style with a range of certificates and awards. Many students in Year 8 received individual recognition, as did our team performance. Congratulations to all students who participated and to Mr Walton for leading the team.

School Physicist of the Year

Following on from news of her nomination, I am delighted to announce that one of our students, Emily Drage, has won an award at the 2018 School Physicist of the Year Awards at Cambridge University. Emily was recognised as possessing a passion for Physics and has been an ever present member of the Wollaston School Science Club. Congratulations to Emily and the staff and students of the Science faculty.

A reminder that the final day of term is Friday, 20th July 2018 and students return to school on Thursday, 6th September 2018. In the meantime, we look forward to a positive and purposeful final week of term.

Thank you as always for your support of Wollaston School. We are absolutely committed to providing the highest standards of education possible and if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us via email on office@wollaston-school.net.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James Birkett". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J' and 'B'.

Mr James Birkett
Headteacher