

18<sup>th</sup> July 2017

Dear Parent

We have had a really positive year at Arnold Hill. Our staff and students have settled well into our fantastic new building and taken full advantage of the wonderful new facilities. Our children have achieved many great things both in and out of the classroom, in academic, sporting and artistic fields. We highlight some of these great achievements in our **Academy Newsletter**, on our website, through Twitter and on our Facebook page. Please do take the time to read about our fantastic students and the wide variety of opportunities and activities they have been engaging with.

Communication between school and home is vitally important so please make sure we have your **up to date contact details** including email addresses and mobile phone numbers. It is also important that we know of any **health issues** your child has so we can support effectively. If there have been any changes to these details then please complete the Data Collection form which can be found on our website: <http://www.arnoldhillacademy.co.uk/index.php/parent-information/category/22-forms>.

I am pleased to report that staff retention has been very high this year with only a handful of staff moving on at the end of the Summer term, including two staff who are moving to more senior posts within the Trent Academies Group. I want to take this opportunity to wish a fond farewell to Ms Gilbert, one of our Modern Foreign Languages teachers, who is retiring after 28 years of loyal service to Arnold Hill. We are very grateful for all her hard work and dedication to children at Arnold Hill whether it has been as a languages teacher or as a Pastoral Leader; she will be missed and we wish her well in her retirement.

Our last day of term for students in Years 7 to 10 is Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July. On this day students will either be out of school on trips with their year group, or in school taking part in a variety of lessons and activities which finish at 3:15pm. For Year 12 students the last day of Summer Term will be Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July and they will not be required to attend lessons on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July. We have two INSET days on our return so will open to students on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September**. Please see details below:

### Arrangements for the start of term: Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September

Students are required to be on site at the following times with normal lessons beginning Period 3 after break at 11:00 a.m.

Year 7	8:30 am	Assemble outside in the 'A Block Park Area'	Assembly at 8:45 am
Year 8	8:30 am	Meet in 'B Block' Hall then go to Tutor Rooms	Assembly at 9:15 am
Year 9	9:00 am	Meet in 'B Block' Tennis Courts then to Tutor Rooms	Assembly at 9:45 am
Year 10	9:30 am	Meet in 'B Block' Tennis Courts then to Tutor Rooms	Assembly at 10:15 am
Year 11	10:00am	Meet in 'B Block' Tennis Courts then to Tutor Rooms	Assembly at 10:45 am

Arnold Hill Academy is part of the Trent Academies Group.

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## **6<sup>th</sup> Form Arrangements**

*Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September:* Year 13 arrive for 10:00 a.m. for a Welcome Assembly in the 6<sup>th</sup> Form Centre and then will move to their Tutor Groups. Timetabled lessons will start Period 3.

*Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September:* Year 12 will start back with Tutor Time to collect timetables and go to timetabled lessons Period 1.

The Academy reception in our new 'A Block' will be staffed and open throughout the holidays.

School Uniform this year has much improved. The vast majority of our students wear their uniform smartly and with pride. The uniform policy is simple and available on our website. Please do check this before shopping for new school uniform. Just because a shop has certain clothing in a school wear range doesn't mean that it complies with Arnold Hill Academy's uniform requirements.

It has been our experience that some students get piercings, nail colourings or dye their hair over the Summer. If this is the case for your child please make sure that when they return to school in September their hair is a natural colour, their nails are clear and piercings are in line with our uniform policy.

Results day for **A Levels** is **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August** in A Block Hall and for **GCSE** it's **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> August** in A Block Hall, from 8:00am – 2:00pm on both days. Students have worked hard and conducted themselves very well throughout the exam period. I know for students and parents alike exam time and awaiting results can be stressful. We wish all our students well and will be here to offer congratulations, support and guidance over results day and beyond.

As always we are very grateful for the continued support parents give the Academy. May I take this opportunity to wish you and your family a very relaxing and happy Summer break.

Yours faithfully

**Matt Robertson**

Head Teacher