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Dear Parent /Carer,

It has been delightful to have our students back on site this week as we start the new academic year. Thank you for your support in upholding our high expectations relating to uniform, personal appearance and equipment. Students look smart and well prepared for the year of learning ahead.

As a result of the staff's hard work, we are delighted to announce that we are full in Year 7 and have a number of students on the waiting list.

Please find below some updates for your information.

Attendance:

I start the year with a refreshed plea for us to continue working together to ensure students attend every day.

Historically, typical national average attendance for secondary age students across the country is 95%.

This equates to each student, across the country, on average, being absent from school **no more than nine days over the course of the whole academic year.**

Research shows that students who have 100% attendance achieve almost twice as many GCSEs as those students who attend for 94% of the time. Students whose attendance is 90% miss one month of school, equating to 120 lessons each year.

I know you'll agree that the impact attendance has on attainment and progress is staggering. If you want any more information about your child's attendance at any point during the course of the year, please contact Mrs Kiernan, attendance manager via nkiernan@prescotschool.org.uk

Our New Year 7 Students:

Year 7 have made a fantastic start at The Prescott School. They have settled well and made new friends too. We are hoping they will all join at least one extra-curricular club this term and try out something new after school.

We have our 'Meet the Form Teacher' evening on Thursday September 22nd September, further details will follow shortly.

2022 GCSE Results:

The results this year were very positive, and we are proud of the resolve and hard work of the previous Year 11 students. Their attainment has exceeded all previous years' results. In addition, the school has seen an increase in attainment across subject groups and we would like to thank all of our staff for their hard work and determination in supporting the Year 11 students, particularly after time lost to Covid and 'Bubble' closures.

It was great to see so many happy faces on GCSE results Day in August and we wish them the best of luck for their future studies and career aspirations.

Well done Year 11 class of 2022!

Open Evening:

Open Evening for Year 5 and Year 6 students takes place on Thursday 29th September 2022 between 4pm and 6.30pm.

Please note – for current students, school will close on Thursday 29th September at 1:40pm. Lunch will take place as usual and there will be no disruption to provision for students in receipt of free school meals.

Extra-curricular Activities:

Thank you to those families who have already expressed an interest with regard to the above. Mrs Baykal (Assistant Principal for Personal Development and Key Stage 3) is currently collating information and producing this term's timetable. We expect this to be publicised w/c 19th September 2022.

I am ever grateful to the numerous staff who give up their own time to plan and host clubs to benefit the academic and holistic development of your children.

Parent/Carer Evenings:

Thank you for your feedback last academic year regarding your preferences relating to remote or in-person parent/carers evenings.

This academic year, all parent/carers evenings will take place face-to-face, and we look forward to welcoming you into our state-of-the-art building.

For your convenience, please find below dates for this year's parent/carers evenings :

Year	Date and Time	HOY	HOY Email Address
7	22 nd September 2022 (4-6pm)	Mrs Thompson	sthompson@prescotschool.org.uk
11	8 th December 2022 (4-6pm)	Miss Nolan	anolan@prescotschool.org.uk
10	12 th January 2023 (4-6pm)	Mr Madden	amadden@prescotschool.org.uk
9	9 th February 2023 (4-6pm)	Ms van Putten	cvanputten@prescotschool.org.uk
11	30 th March 2023(4-6pm)	Miss Nolan	anolan@prescotschool.org.uk
9 (Options Evening)	20 th April 2023 (4-6pm)	Ms van Putten	cvanputten@prescotschool.org.uk
8	11 th May 2023 (4-6pm)	Mr Moran	imoran@prescotschool.org.uk
7	22 nd June 2023 (4-6pm)	Mrs Thompson	sthompson@prescotschool.org.uk

Yours sincerely,



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