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Dear Parents/Carers,

RE: Welcome back!

A warm welcome back to an exciting academic year ahead. I hope you enjoyed a lovely summer break. It has been a pleasure to see students and families during the past few days of induction and we are looking forward to our first full day of lessons tomorrow.

I would like to share some key information and updates with you at the start of this term.

## GCSE and A Level Results 2022

We return to some exceptional outcomes across the board for both GCSE and A level this year. We are incredibly proud of the hard work of the students and staff in reaching such an immense high, especially in light of the challenges faced by everyone over the course of the last few years. I summarise the results below and of course, emphasise that what the figures do not show are some of the astounding success stories of individuals who have, against all odds, reached results they never thought to be possible.

GCSE A Level

Grades 9-7 59% (Nationally: 26%)
Grades 9-5 88% (Nationally: 58%)
Grades 9-4 95% (Nationally: 73%)

Percentage A\* 27% (National 15%)
 Percentage A\* - A 55% (National 36%)

Percentage A\* - B 82% (National 62%)

## Improvements to our facilities

The summer holidays are an excellent opportunity to make further improvements to our environment and this summer was no exception. As a result of some excellent petitioning by the Head Prefect Team, we have refurbished two large toilet blocks on the second and third floor of the main building. Dame Emma Thompson, alumna of CSG, made a generous donation in order to enable us to make the 10% voluntary aided contribution to meet the cost of the work. In her own words and in conversation with the Head Prefect team, Dame Emma exclaimed: "Women need good toilets!" and so here we are.

Furthermore, we have replaced ageing furniture in many parts of the school and have new desks and chairs in a number of classrooms. We have fitted new computers in the library which are used well and often by the students. We have a set of new lockers, have made repairs to the gym roof and have refurbished the photography classroom and dark room.

None of these improvements would be possible without your support as the school pays 10% towards all these costs due to its voluntary aided status. I am determined to make further improvements and will continue to seek funding from all sources in order to modernise our school facilities.

## **Key Dates for this term**

Please find below some key dates for your diaries.

Date	Event
Thursday 8 September	Year 12 Parent Information Evening 6pm – 7.30pm
Monday 19 September	Year 7 and Year 10 School Photographs
Wednesday 28 – Friday 30 September	Year 12 Trip to Skern
Thursday 6 October	Year 7 Parents Information Evening and Disco 5.30pm – 7.30pm
Wednesday 19 October	Year 11 Sixth Form Conference – in school, 11am – 3pm
Thursday 20 October	Year 13 Parent Evening 5pm – 7pm
Thursday 10 November	Year 11 Parents Evening 5pm – 7pm
Saturday 12 November	CASCA Jumble Sale! 2pm – 4pm
Wednesday 23 November	INSET DAY
Thursday 8 December	School concert 7pm – 9pm
Saturday 10 December	CASCA Christmas Tree Sale
Thursday 15 December	Year 7 Concert 6pm – 9pm

I would like to wish you and your children a wonderful start to the term.

Kind regards

Kateryna Law Headteacher

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