

5 January 2024

## MESSAGE FROM..... MR EARL AND MR ROLFE, PRINCIPALS



We would like to wish you all a Happy New Year and welcome all our students and staff back to school this week.

### Secure site - update

One of our long-term strategic goals has been for the school premises to become a fully secure site. During the Christmas break, Recess contractors have been on-site installing fencing at the front of school and we anticipate by the end of next week the school will be a fully secure site. This will continue to ensure the safety and safeguarding of all students and staff that attend our school.

Those parents and carers that require access to the main car park will still be able to drop off their children as normal, but all access to the wider school site will be via front reception only.

### New staff

We warmly welcome the following colleagues who have joined our school community at the start of the Spring Term: Mr Browne - Teacher of Science, Mr Cooper - Teacher of English, Mr Downing - Teaching Assistant, Miss Dremaine - Teacher of Science, Mr Jimenez - Teacher of MFL, Mr Marrison - Teacher of PE, Mr Morris - Cover Supervisor, Miss Pittman - Teacher of English and Mr Stoppani - Teacher of Maths.



### Behaviour update from Miss Perry-Warnes, Assistant Principal

We have successfully launched our new in-class behaviour system this week. Student and staff feedback has been positive and we have experienced a calm and respectful atmosphere throughout our school.

We would like to thank you for working with us by reinforcing these positive behaviours at home. Your continued support is essential to make our school a place where all our students can thrive.

**THEME OF THE WEEK**  
for week commencing 8 January  
“Do you think alien life exists?”

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 18 January – Year 10 Parents’ Evening – 4.00pm – 7.00pm

## GENERAL NOTICES/NEWS STORIES

**Donations** – we have had some amazing feedback from Leeway Domestic Violence and Abuse Services for the phenomenal amount of donations we received on the last day of term for the non-uniform day, click the link for the news story [Leeway](#).

## SCHOOL HOUSE ANNOUNCEMENTS



**House Challenge 4** – Congratulations Snowdon 🟡 for winning the House Challenge, Attendance. Good luck to all Houses for Challenge 5 – Homework.



## NEWS FROM OUR SIXTH FORM

Happy New Year from the Sixth Form Team.

### **Y11 Applicant Interviews**

Y11 students who have applied to Sixth Form will be invited to attend an Information, Advice and Guidance interview with a member of the Sixth Form Team from 8 January onwards.

Students will be invited via their school email, please be reassured that invites will be sent out weekly so they will hear from us over the next few weeks.

If you have any questions, please email [sixthform@hellesdon.net](mailto:sixthform@hellesdon.net)

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