



THE  
KING'S  
SCHOOL  
GRANTHAM

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Dear Parents

I do hope that the Easter holiday proves to be both recuperative and constructive and that your son prepares himself meticulously for the examination challenges that lie ahead. This applies equally to those students applying to high tariff courses at university and to those aiming at Post 18 employment, FE or training who may have already met entry requirements. If there are areas of the syllabus that prove particularly difficult students must note them and then inform teachers next term to allow time for clarification. Similarly, students should avail themselves of any extra revision sessions arranged outside timetabled lessons. How effectively your son applies himself over the next eight weeks will have a very significant bearing on the final outcome of his 'A' levels and the range of opportunities that will remain open to him subsequently. He must neither underestimate the volume of work that remains to be done nor his capacity to work the long hours needed.

**Examinations**

The examination period stretches over seven weeks and can be disruptive. The school's arrangements are designed to provide maximum flexibility for individual students' timetables but also to enable crucial teaching and learning to continue. **Consequently students may only revise at home in the session immediately before any examination they are sitting** (but may of course revise from home during **timetabled Independent Study periods**). Once again there will be no Games on Wednesday afternoons during the examination period. I stress that teachers will be teaching throughout the examination period. It is essential that students have checked their examination timetables and planned the details of their final revision around them.

**Leavers' Supper Old School Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2014 6.30 for 7.00**

The Leaver's Supper has become a most enjoyable post examination finale. Students are invited to arrive on the Newton Lawn in suits or school uniform at 6.30 to enable photographs to be taken. The supper begins in Old School at 7.00 and will be accompanied by some live music, brief speeches from the Head Master, Head of Sixth and the Head Boy who also organises a range of 'presentations'. Modestly priced tickets will be available via Mrs Heather Brown in the Sixth Form Office. The evening will end at approximately 9.00 pm.

It has been a great pleasure to have worked closely with 'The Class of '14'. They have enjoyed successes across all academic subjects; they have secured conditional offers to a range of outstanding universities and colleges of music; the majority have contributed generously and successfully to the diverse sporting, theatrical, musical and cultural arenas which make King's so special to us all. Just as importantly they have formed lifelong friendships; have seen the rewards that come to those who apply themselves and the unnecessary difficulties that face those who do not; these Kingsmen have also contributed to the fabric of a community that whilst advocating, enabling and celebrating excellence is sensitive and responsive to those facing adversity and challenge.

As your son's time at King's enters effectively its last half term I am confident that he will build on these experiences and that he has the qualities and values to reach his potential and contribute fully to the exciting wider world that awaits. Therein lies happiness success and fulfilment.

On behalf of the sixth form staff I would like to thank students for their good humour and continued co-operation and parents for your help and willingness to work constructively with the school.

Yours sincerely

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