



HIGHSHORE SCHOOL

4 September 2015

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! and to our new parents welcome to Highshore. We hope that you have had a good summer break. It has been very busy here and there are a lot of matters to update you on.

Playground

We have completed more work this summer and our water fountains are now in place. This is something that the School Council has asked for since the move. We have also had works done so that the graffiti wall (Year 9 Dragon's Den project) can be put in place.

Welcome

To Lizzy Hones who joins us as 7L form tutor and English teacher this term. Augustine Kabia who was with us part-time last term will be with us full-time covering Science until Lorraine Parker's return following her maternity leave.

CAMHS

We welcome Kate Smith to the school. Kate works for CAMHS and will be on site every Monday working with our pupils and where appropriate, their parents. This is a big step forward for us and we hope that Kate's work will benefit our young people.

Website

We have added a lot of information to the school website www.highshore.co.uk this summer. Please look at the parents and families section in particular. You will see that you can now download your child's timetable. Curriculum overviews for this term will be added soon.

Dates this Half-term

A list of important dates for the half term is attached to this letter. Dates are also published on the website. Please do your best to attend meetings about your child and school meetings. We value your support and input. We hope that some of you will want to join our new Resource making group. This has been setup following feedback at our parents meeting in the summer term. A letter will follow shortly.

Pupil Numbers

As many of you are aware we are taking an additional Year 7 class this September. This means that we have three classes in Year 7. Additionally, our Sixth Form is growing. We now have five classes (forty pupils) in our Sixth Form. The school roll is now 124 which was a planned increase. Fortunately, there is plenty of space in

this building and it is pleasing that so many parents want their children to come to Highshore.

Parents and Carers Surveys

Thank you to those of you who have completed your surveys at the Parents evening in July or who posted them back to us. Could parents please return their outstanding surveys by **Friday 11th September 2015** as we want to get the results and feedback to you by the end of this month.

There is a lot happening this term our newsletters will keep you updated and please do check the website regularly.

I look forward to seeing you soon.

Yours sincerely,

Eileen Ollieuz
Headteacher

Key Dates

Autumn 1 Half-term

Monday 14 September	Year 14 Parents Meeting 3.30pm
Thursday 17th September	Parents & Governors' Coffee Morning 9.30am -11.00am
Thursday 17 September	Film Club 3.30pm
Monday 21 September	EHCp meeting (Education, Health & Care Plan) 3.30pm
Friday 25 September	Speech & Language Therapist drop in (am)
Monday 28 September	Parent Resource Making Group 10 -12noon
Monday 28 September	Year 7 Parents Evening 3.30pm
Thursday 1 st October	Sixth Form Parents Evening 3.30pm
Monday & Tuesday 5 & 6 October	Highshore Enterprise Stall at Southwark Council Offices, Tooley Street
Tuesday 6 October	14M Residential (overnight)
Friday 9 October	Parents' Coffee Morning 10-12noon
Thursday 15 October	Year 11 Parents Evening 3.30pm
Thursday 22 October	Film Club