



ASH MANOR SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

I would like to thank all of you for the continued support you give the school. This was particularly evident during the recent visit we had from Ofsted when many of you took the time and trouble to complete the on-line Parent View questionnaire so positively as well as sending personal messages of support to myself and the staff. I am delighted to say that after one day the inspectors were confident that we are a good school and the report has been sent out via Parentmail to all of you. The link for those who may not have seen it yet is:

<https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/inspection-reports/find-inspection-report/provider/ELS/125271>

There are many positive points mentioned and we are now firmly on the way to making Ash Manor School outstanding in all areas.

I hope you enjoy reading the latest newsletter where you will see the vast array of events and activities our students have taken part in. I would particularly like to take this opportunity to congratulate the students who participated in the Robotics Challenge, winning the local heat and also the Team Challenge at the National Final. Well done to Haydon Bunjaku, Katie Cuthbertson, Billy Don, Emma Hymas, William Munieza, Ella Senior, Hayley Southall, Oliver Upfield, James Wensley, Josh White-Boarer and Katy Wood.

I would also like to mention the House Music Evening which was such a fantastic event both in terms of the standard of the performances and the way in which all of the students supported each other. Congratulations here go to the winners who were Mark Morris for the KS3 section, Sam Hymas in the KS4 section and of course Sparta House for winning the overall event.

Parents' Forum

Thank you to those who came along on 20th April to help us improve the way that we communicate with you. I hope that you will see these changes over the next few months.

The next forum is on 12th June and I would encourage you to attend if you are able to.

Staffing

At Easter we said goodbye to a number of support staff. I would like to thank them for all that they have brought to the school and to wish them well in the future. In particular I would like to mention Mrs Peterkin who has been a mainstay of the office team in Ash Manor School for 16 years – she will be missed by all.

On 18th April we welcome to Ash Manor a new English teacher, Mrs N Bailey, and I am delighted she can take up this post ahead of the usual September start.

CCF Combined Cadet Force

We now have our own CCF at Ash Manor School. The first parade was on Monday 24th April and we look forward to our students gaining great opportunities through their involvement in our CCF.

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Key dates for next term

3 rd May	Year 9 FSB and Meningitis immunisations
4 th May	Year 8 Options Evening
16 th May	GCSE examinations begin
Week beg 22 nd May	Year 9 End of Year Examinations
29 th May – 2 nd June	Half term holiday
Week beg 5 th June	Year 7 End of Year Examinations
12 th June	Parents' Forum
Week beg 12 th June	Year 8 End of Year Examinations
15 th June	Sports Day
19 th June	Year 9 Reports issued
Week beg 19 th June	Year 10 Pre-Public Examinations
22 nd June	Year 7 Reports issued
26 th June	Year 11 Leavers' Assembly – 1:15pm
28 th June	Year 11 Prom
3 rd July	Year 8 Reports issued
4 th – 5 th July	Year 6 Induction Days
5 th July	Year 6 Induction Parents' Evening
7 th July	Year 10 reports issued
12 th July	PD Day 5
13 th – 14 th July	School Show - Grease
17 th – 20 th July	Challenge Week
21 st July	End of Year Assembly – school closes 12:30pm

Year 11 students are now in the final stages of GCSE preparation and we wish them well in these very important exams.

I look forward to another busy and enjoyable term.

Yours sincerely
Agnes Bailey

Headteacher