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Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

Welcome back to the summer term. We hope you had a restful break and are ready for the busy and exciting weeks ahead.

We would like to take a moment to acknowledge the hard work and resilience shown by our students as they recently completed their English, Maths, and Science exams in the hall. For many, this was their second experience of formal exams in such a setting, and we are incredibly proud of the maturity and focus they demonstrated throughout. These moments are important milestones in their academic careers, and our students should feel proud of their efforts.

As we now look ahead to the final half term of the year, we want to remind all families of the importance of maintaining high standards in both appearance and preparation. This includes:

- **Full school uniform** to be worn correctly each day, in line with our uniform policy. Students should have their name on all items of clothing and equipment, so that these can be returned if they are lost. Students should wear a school tie with green stripes. White shirt and blazer; trousers or skirts must be worn with sensible black school shoes; school jumpers are optional. **Top buttons** need to be done, and **shirts tucked in** at all times. Students are not permitted to wear false eyelashes and false nails as well as sweatshirts and hoodies on site. PE kits should be brought into school on the relevant days. Please refer to the school website for further info. If there is genuine financial need, please do let us know.
- **Appropriate equipment** Students need to bring a reading book and a pencil case, including blue or black pen, green pen (for self and peer marking), pencil, ruler, rubber to school every day. We strongly suggest that you encourage your child to pack their bag the night before. We have a no phone school and have a policy of See it, Hear it, Lose it. If your child's phone is seen or heard then it will be confiscated until the end of the day.
- **LORIC and Behaviour points** Please check Classcharts on a regular basis, at least once a week, for homelearning and behaviour points.
- A continued commitment to attendance, punctuality, effort, and respect for learning.

Attendance and Punctuality

Research shows that regular attendance and punctuality are key factors in student success and achieving the best possible outcomes. Students who maintain an attendance rate of 96-100% miss less learning time and are better positioned to reach their full potential. To support this, please ensure your child meets our attendance expectations and arrives at school on time at 8:35am when the school gate closes.

If absence is unavoidable, you must contact the school's absence line before 9:30am **for every day of absence** in **one** of the following ways: telephone: 0208 691 3236 option 1; using Studybugs <https://studybugs.com/about/parents> or email: info@deptfordgreen.co.uk

In our effort to boost enthusiasm and participation within our school community, we're excited to introduce a new initiative: weekly raffles for students with 100% attendance for the previous week. This initiative is designed to create a vibrant and engaged school environment where every student feels valued. By attending school regularly, students earn entries into these raffles, giving them an extra incentive to prioritise their education.



100% Attendance

Congratulations to the 44 students who achieved 100% attendance for the Spring Term. A special shoutout to Ife, Azalea, Michelangelo, Hafiza, Connie, Yael, Zelick, Lily-May, Gibril, Ernest, Amanda, Jevindu, Ramin, Esther, Treasure, Pearl, Khadija, Lakaiya, Zara J, Maysa, Junior, David M, George, Ralph, Christine, Linda, Diamond, Ava Q, Jones, Jemimah, Olajide, Sekou, Ezra, Mikko, Chardonaye, Emelie, Ebenezer, Goddy, Tay-Tay, Dario, Minh, Tiana and Leah

A massive well done on your exceptional commitment and dedication!

Place2Be

The well-being of our students is always at the forefront of what we do through tutor support and the Place2be Counselling Service.

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Termly Achievements

I want our Year 8 group to stand out as the best in the school. I truly believe that our year group is driven to be exceptional, and we see that dedication reflected in the hard work each of you puts in every day. A special shoutout goes to the students listed below, who are currently leading the way as our top 22 for the end of last term based on being highly engaged and GREAT behaviour in class.

Ife, David A, Finlay, Katie, Ernest, Charlie HC, Haylie, Pearl, Poppy, Maysa, David M, George, Ralph, Scarlett, Christine, Jemimah, Ezra, Mikko, Annie, Charlie S, Ebenezer, Martha and Nigella.

Please keep up the fantastic work!

Student Leadership

There are two new student leadership roles that came out. Shout out to the applicants for Creative champions and house captain. These students will hear soon if they are successful in their applications.

Ebenezer, Amaury, Sihaam, Diamond, Ellie G, Khadija, Chardonaye, Jemimah, David O, Ezra, Katie, Treasure, Nigella, Charlie S, Lacey, Gracie, Ava Q, Khairo, Artan, Yahya, Annie, Ife and Martha.

Important Dates Coming up this Term

Thursday 23rd May HPV Vaccination

Wednesday 4th June – Y8 Celebration Breakfast and Year 8 parents evening

Tuesday 22nd July – Sports day

Wednesday 23rd July– End of term reward trips

Safeguarding - Social Media and Getting Home Safely

As our young people navigate the challenges of growing up, social media is becoming an increasingly prominent part of their lives. While it offers a great way to stay connected with friends, it also comes with certain risks that students will explore in their PSHE lessons. I encourage you to have open, honest conversations with your child about their social media use. Discussing how they interact online, what apps they use, and reviewing any concerns together can help them make safer and more informed choices.



Additionally, I would like to remind you of our expectations for students at the end of the school day. They are to go straight home and change out of their school uniform if they wish to go back out. To ensure everyone's safety, staff are on duty in the local area until 3:30 pm each day. Due to the increasing numbers of people having their phones stolen in the local area, please remind your child of the importance of heading straight home after school and avoiding lingering in the community. This helps us maintain a positive relationship with our neighbours and keeps our students safe.

If you need to get in touch, please see the key contact info below.

Key Contacts

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The summer term is an important time for consolidating learning, making progress, and preparing for the next stage of your child's journey. As always, we are here to support every student to thrive.

Thank you for your continued partnership, and we look forward to a successful and enjoyable term ahead.

Kind regards

Mrs Burley-Burton