

## Head of School

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2022

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

Following the bank holiday weekend, the shorter four-day week has flown by...

As we continue to celebrate the theme **Pride, Celebration and Respect**, we have been able to reward our Key Stage 3 Aspire Card winners last week in house assemblies. Aspire points are given for demonstrating personal qualities such as displaying excellent team work and doing the right thing. Well done to all our winners who were entered into the prize draw and thoroughly deserve the voucher they received.

Our School Council met for the first time this week and what a wonderful group of articulate students they are. Miss Pearson led the introductory meeting and students arrived armed with ideas to put forward to continue to improve our school community. I am looking forward to meeting with the students to discuss their ideas and plans in the forthcoming weeks.

Over the course of the next few weeks, Year 10 students will be offered subject intervention support during lunchtime periods to support additional opportunities for learning. The Maths department will be offering extra sessions at lunchtime next week to help them prepare for their upcoming pre-public examination. Their classroom teacher will let them know which days of the week the sessions will be on.

Eleven students competed yesterday in the South Lincolnshire Athletic Trials and well done to all involved who represented the school. Notable performances from Tillie Cartwright in Year 9 who qualified for the 100m final in her age group, Orlando Batley achieved a personal best height in high jump of 1 metre 49 centimetres and Luciella Crowfoot who ran the 200m and also qualified for the final. All students were impeccably behaved and represented the school admirably.

Year 11 students have been completing their language speaking examinations this week and next week we will see some of our students taking their BTEC examinations. Full and final preparation for the forthcoming summer examinations is now upon us as students next week receive their exam timetable and revision support booklets to support them in their final stages of Year 11.

Today we have welcomed a representative from Lincolnshire County Council Transport department to talk about safe travel on the buses in assemblies throughout the day. Students responded well to the information and have all now been fully informed of appropriate behaviour for safe travel and subsequently the consequences of unsafe travel.



Finally, thank you to all who have donated prom wear for the prom shop. We have been absolutely overwhelmed by the generous donations from parents, staff and ex-students and I can inform you that this initiative has already supported some of our Year 11 students. We are still accepting donations and in particular suits, shirts and shoes.

I hope you have an enjoyable weekend.

Kindest regards,

**Miss Katie Belcher** 

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