



# SYDENHAM SCHOOL

Specialist Science and Mathematics School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

On behalf of the KS4 team I am writing to thank you for your invaluable support this academic year. It has been a joy working with your daughters and we are certain they will all rise to the challenge of the responsibilities and opportunities, which will arise for them next year.

As you are aware there are some changes happening as we say good bye to Mrs. Reid and Ms. Suleyman. Mrs. Reid will be going on maternity leave and Ms. Suleyman leaves us to move onto a promotion at another school. Ms. Alexander, a familiar face and experienced member of Sydenham staff will be looking after the 9s in Mrs. Reid's absence and Ms. Bailey will be taking your year 11 daughters through their final year of GCSEs.

Next year there are several things to be aware of and indeed to look forward to. The year 9s are starting their GCSEs in earnest, the Year 10s will be preparing for Work Experience and will be acting as Prefects and the Year 11s have just a short time to go until their GCSE exams and so will be considering their next steps. Of course, we would hope to see as many as possible apply to stay with us at SFH6. There will be other events as the year progresses so I urge you to use the school calendar on the website so we can see as many of you as possible throughout the school year. If you have any queries about any events or even suggestions, please do get in contact via phone or e-mail. My details are at the bottom of this letter.

### Summer Study

It is vital that whilst we hope your daughters have a good rest over the summer break that they continue to revise and prepare for the coming academic year. This will help your daughter come back to school in September ready to learn and be successful. I have compiled some information regarding relevant revision guides and websites your daughters can use as she prepares for year 9, 10 or 11. The guide is called KS4 Summer revision guide and is available under links and downloads on the school website.

### Uniform

All Key Stage Four students wear the white shirt and jumper with a white stripe. Other things to note in preparation for September:

- **Piercings.** Only one pair of stud earrings in the lobe of the ear are permitted. No other piercings are allowed and must be removed. Plasters covering piercings will not be permitted.
- **Hair.** No unnatural hair colour or "extreme" hair styles are permitted e. g. dyed hair, shaved area etc.
- **Accessories.** All students must carry the Sydenham School bag and shoes must be polishable shoes. None polishable shoes e.g. suede/canvas shoes are not permitted.

The full uniform list can also be found on the school website.

### Punctuality

Please note that in Key Stage Four, if a student is late to school then they will automatically receive a 30 minute detention on the same day. Parents will be notified via text message from our attendance office on that day.

Please do feel free to contact me at any time. You can call me on 0208 6996731 ext. 436 or my e-mail address is [p.white@sydenham.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:p.white@sydenham.lewisham.sch.uk)

I hope you have a restful summer and we look forward to seeing you all in September,

Yours sincerely,

Polly White,  
Associate Assistant Headteacher.