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Headteacher: Miss S Hearle

Dear Parents,

## Year 7 End of term letter

As we come to the end of our first academic year at The Henry Beaufort school I want to express my gratitude for your support during this term. This will be my final communication before the summer break and in reflection I would like to think about the positives of the past and future. This also happens to be the theme of my final assembly (which is now available in the Year 7 work from home folder) I hope the year group enjoy it. Having spoken to many of the teachers, Year 7 have been brilliant in their approach to the change they have faced and I hope they are able to enjoy the summer seeing friends and family. I look forward to hearing what activities and adventures they get up to on their return in September.

I am going to explain about the changes that will be needed to keep all students safe in September, when they return to school.

From September until Christmas all students at HB will be registered in Year groups. This is to ensure that the social bubbles are self-contained. The new Year 8's will all register in the Tower Block – the Berlin and Luxembourg class rooms. In effect their new tutor for this time will be the Year group tutor and all communication will be via them for initial concerns that you might have.

The Year group tutors and rooming is as follows:

Team	Tutor	Room	Email
<b>8 Athens</b>	Mrs Seddon	<b>L2</b>	<a href="mailto:alison.seddon@staff.beaufort.hants.sch.uk">alison.seddon@staff.beaufort.hants.sch.uk</a>
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<b>8 Moscow</b>	Mr Newman	<b>L6</b>	<a href="mailto:Jonathan.Newman@staff.beaufort.hants.sch.uk">Jonathan.Newman@staff.beaufort.hants.sch.uk</a>
<b>8 Prague</b>	Ms Herbert	<b>L3</b>	<a href="mailto:victoria.herbert@staff.beaufort.hants.sch.uk">victoria.herbert@staff.beaufort.hants.sch.uk</a>
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<b>8 Rome</b>	Mr Lane	<b>L5</b>	<a href="mailto:morgan.lane@staff.beaufort.hants.sch.uk">morgan.lane@staff.beaufort.hants.sch.uk</a>
<b>8 Warsaw 1</b>	Mrs Arding Miss Teece	<b>L1</b>	<a href="mailto:Donna.Arding@staff.beaufort.hants.sch.uk">Donna.Arding@staff.beaufort.hants.sch.uk</a> Miss Teece email will be available in September.
<b>8 Warsaw 2</b>	Mr Farrell	<b>B3</b>	<a href="mailto:luke.farrell@staff.beaufort.hants.sch.uk">luke.farrell@staff.beaufort.hants.sch.uk</a>

On the first day of school for Year 8 – **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September** ALL students will arrive at school and need to go straight to their tutor base in the Tower block following the school one way system. Tutors will spend time going through all of the new changes and the usual start of year information

such as issuing timetables and planners etc. They will also make sure that students have all the information that they need about the new routines. I know social times at break and lunch time will be a concern so I will update you on that now.

There will be **no food available before school or at break time**. Students will need to bring food for this time. Break time can be spent on the play courts or in the Tower block, if it is wet. All Year 8s will have their tutor time from 11.45am – 12.15pm; they will then have their lunchtime from 12.15pm – 12.45pm. Year 8 will be able to purchase food from the Bistro or 'The Tardis' **at the start of their lunchtime only at 12.15pm**. 'The Tardis' is the large blue box outside of Warsaw. The social areas will also be the same as at break- the play courts or the Tower block, if wet. This will be every day from September until Christmas.

One of the other concerns we have is around equipment and the fact that we, as teachers, are not going to be able to loan equipment out very easily. Equally students are not going to be able to 'borrow' pens or pencils etc. With this in mind, please can you ensure that your child has the basic equipment they will need. Typically this goes really well for the first few weeks and then it 'gets lost' or 'runs out'. I would be really grateful if you can check that they always have a pen and a pencil on a Monday morning. The following is the basic equipment that each student needs. We can't share glue sticks so that is a new addition. Scissors are not on this list and **SHOULD NOT** be brought into school.

**Equipment list: In a pencil case**

Black writing pens

Green pen

Pencils

Pencil sharpener

Coloured pencils (a small pack)

Rubber

Ruler

Protractor

Glue stick

Highlighter

Calculator

Reading Book – this is required for English lessons and Year 8 should always have one in their bag

I am sure that you will have lots of questions, some of which I will be able to answer. If there are any that I am unsure of, I will direct you to the right place to find the answer. This is a 'new normal' that none of us have any experience in. Miss Hearle and the SLT have worked tirelessly to try and anticipate every eventuality but in a dynamic environment with over a 1000 young people there will be things that crop up. Please be assured that we will deal with things efficiently but ever mindful of the welfare of your child and the other students in the school.

My assembly was going to be a Celebration Assembly and I would like to say a big thank you for the contributions that I have had from both parents and students. I have used some but plan to have an assembly in September to celebrate our return to school; I will use the majority of these then. The theme of my assembly is 'Positivity'. I wanted to look at the positive things that have occurred during the last 4 months and look forward to something positive in the future.

I hope that you have a great summer and I wish all the best to your families. I look forward to September seeing the new Year 8. I hope they are ready for the next chapter in their school life and ready to work to their very best. As always, thank you for your kind words and your support over the last 4 months.

Kind regards,  
Mr Naisbitt  
Head of Year 7