



Message from Rhona Povey

Welcome back to the new academic year. I hope that you all had an enjoyable summer and return ready for the year ahead.

Our students achieved exceptional GCSE results this year with 71% passing at least 5 qualifications (A*-C) including English and Maths. To put this success into context, last year's national average was just 55%. We were also delighted that 30% of the grades achieved were either A* or A.

Our sixth form students also achieved some amazing results with 41% of passes being the top grades. Many of our students are going on to study at universities; others are taking gap years or completing apprenticeships and one of our students is travelling to Bangladesh to undertake voluntary work before going on to study. We wish them all luck and hope that they keep in contact to let us know their progress.

The new academic year has seen 200 new Year 7's join the school; it was a great pleasure to meet them and so many of their parents. Their first day was marked with the usual combination of nerves and eagerness and the year group impressed with a real can do attitude. As ever, we have high aspirations for their journey through our school.

The start of the year has seen the launch of the new Hendon School uniform. The students are looking very smart. Thank you for your support in ensuring that your children have the correct uniform. If you have any queries or worries about the uniform please contact your child's Head of Year.

I am looking forward to working with you this year to ensure that Hendon School continues to go from strength to strength.

Rhona Povey - Headteacher



Chelsea's Choice - Award Winning Play comes to Hendon School

On the 14th and 15th September, all students in Years 8-11 will be watching the Award winning play "Chelsea's Choice." The play deals with a number of issues around internet safety and exploitation. The play is age appropriate for the year groups and will cover the following themes:-

- Raising Awareness of Healthy Relationships
- Promoting Safe Internet Use
- Identifying Risky Situations
- Raising Awareness of the grooming process and the different forms it can take
- Raising Awareness of Child Sexual Exploitation and the differing forms that it can take
- Sign posting relevant services.

Ensuring all students are aware of internet safety is something in this computer and social media age that we must address in schools. As well as the play there will be a workshop where students will be able to discuss the issues raised and have an opportunity to ask questions.

If you have any questions about the play please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Knight, Head of SMART Futures KnightA@hendonschool.co.uk or Miss Doona, Assistant Headteacher DoonaN@hendonschool.co.uk

The Friends of Hendon have launched a lottery in order to help raise funds to build a new dance studio. The lottery is open to all, so please encourage other people you may know to get involved, the more people that play the bigger the prize and the more money the school will raise. A leaflet with further details is attached to the newsletter or you can go to www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/hendon-school/

Thank you for your support

Diary Dates

❖ Thursday 10 th September	Year 10 Photography Trip
❖ Wednesday 16 th September	Prospective Parents' Evening (5.30 pm - 8 pm)
❖ Monday 21 st September	UN International Peace Day
❖ Thursday 24 th September	Year 7 Parents' Welcome Evening (6 pm - 7.30 pm)
❖ Thursday 1 st October	Enrichment Day
❖ Tuesday 13 th October	Staff Development Day (School closed for students)
❖ Wednesday 14 th October	Year 7 Road Safety Event



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- Do your bit to make Hendon School a better place and you could win up to £25,000!
- A **GUARANTEED** prize to someone on our supporter list every week!
- Money raised within our community **STAYS** in our community – the **PROPER** way to run a lottery!
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