



Message from Kevin McKellar

Welcome back. Our students have settled in nicely. Today snowflakes are starting to fall and there is a sense of excitement in the air. Please note that we will not be closing the school unless we have a shortage of staff or if there are concerns in relation to Health and Safety. Please pay attention to our website for the latest information. We have been liaising with Met Office. Heavy snowfall is expected at some point today - we just hope that we can get on with our business.

Other points to consider this week:-

- Our Year 11 students are busy sitting their exams. On Wednesday they have their English Literature exam. We are absolutely thrilled with their hard work and effort. We have just received their Maths results and we are currently sitting at 72% - in January! This is the best set of maths results that we have had and we can only build on this percentage between now and the summer exams. Well done to the Maths Department.
- Please remember that we are currently working on the refurbishment of our Science labs. We were awarded £308,000 by the DFE and whilst this is a tremendous inconvenience in relation to managing students around the school, we hope to have state of the art Science rooms and labs by the summer term.
- The Konan High School students arrive from Japan on the 8th March. Given that we are celebrating a very special partnership we have a special ceremony on Friday 8th March between 11.20am and 1.00pm. We have invited Boris Johnson and other important people to help us raise the profile of the teaching of Japanese. I have also invited the Headteacher of Eton School given that Hendon's Japanese GCSE results compete with the best in the country.
- We are pleased to announce that our Year 10 dance students have been invited to perform at the Saddlers Wells Theatre in the ballet production of Sleeping Beauty. We are enormously proud of this achievement and there will be a special performance at Saddlers Wells Theatre on Thursday 17th January 2013 at 7.00pm. See the Saddlers Wells website for more details.

And finally ... thanks to the parents and carers who have taken an interest in the school uniform debate. There is a meeting on Thursday 24th January 2013 at 10.00am to look at samples from two companies and to agree on the best way forward. Please remember that if you have any thoughts on our uniform then please contact Jane Theobald (theobaldj@hendonschool.co.uk) and she will represent your views at the meeting.

Have a good week.

Monday 14 January - Friday 18 January		
Monday 14 January	Non Uniform Day Year 12 & 13 Examinations Dance Curtain Raider Project Year 6 CAT Tests Year 12 & 13 Business Trip Summer Community Play (Script Reading) (A4) PSHEE Group	All day AM 1.20 pm Period 5
Tuesday 15 January	Year 13 Examinations Dance Curtain Raider Project PSHEE Group	Period 1
Wednesday 16 January	Year 11 & 13 Examinations Dance Curtain Raider Project PSHEE Groups Girls Cross Country	Period 3 & 5 PM
Thursday 17 January	Years 11, 12 & 13 Examinations PSHEE Group Science Trip Year 11 Parents' Evening	Period 4 All day 4-7 pm
Friday 18 January	Year 13 Examinations	

Year 11 Parents' Evening – Thursday 17th January 2013

Four sessions will operate as follows:

Parents/carers of students with surnames beginning A-F	4.00 pm - 4.45 pm
Parents/carers of students with surnames beginning G-K	4.45 pm - 5.30 pm
Parents/carers of students with surnames beginning L-P	5.30 pm - 6.15 pm
Parents/carers of students with surnames beginning Q-Z	6.15 pm - 7.00 pm

We are looking for well-qualified, enthusiastic and committed trainee teachers with a passion for their subject to complete a School Direct training programme at Hendon School from September 2013. The subjects we are offering places in are: Maths, Computing, Physics, French, History and English. For more information, please see our website or contact Emma Peto by telephone: 0208 2029004 Ext 234 or by email: petoe@hendonschool.co.uk