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Inline

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the latest edition of Inline. We have had a really positive year with notable successes on the national stage. The Debating Team won the London Debate Mate Cup, beating forty other schools, including private schools. Our year 9 mathematicians came third in the Mayor's London Maths Challenge. We are working hard to ensure that our brightest students can excel in high profile competitions.

As I write, the new MUGA (Multi-Use Games Area) is almost complete. We are planning to have our opening ceremony on Wednesday 18th of October. This is later than planned as the build was delayed as a result of asbestos finds. The only area of the school that will still require completion at that point will be the AstroTurf pitch. It has been a hard road but the completion of the build has given us outstanding facilities to match the school's outstanding rating.

The first set of results for the new maths and English GCSEs will come out in August. I realise that the new system is very confusing for parents, colleges and employers. Only 2.5% of the population will be able to access the highest grade (9). Students are expected to achieve grade 4 to avoid resits in sixth form, although 5 is regarded as a good pass. A good deal of A level work has been moved down into the new GCSE and it will be important that all students develop a resilient approach in lessons. The remaining GCSE subjects (with the exception of DT and media, for which the first exams will be in 2019) will be examined next year.

These are challenging times for our students. Reading for pleasure has become vital to ensure that our students have the broad knowledge and understanding that they require. We recommend at least 40 minutes per day during the holidays. I hope that you have a really good break and that everyone is ready to work hard again in September. Thank you all so much for your support during the year.

Mr Ian Wilson
Headteacher



Activities Day



Eid Celebration Event



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School Visit to Spain