



# HUMPHREY PERKINS SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

As the term draws to a close, we wish to give you some final updates and information about the new academic year: please use the headings to guide you to the information relevant to you.

## Student Success

Once again, our students have made us proud this year. They have worked hard in lessons and have shown a positive determination to succeed. In particular, the launch of our conduct cards has helped us to ensure that our students not only look incredibly smart but are also being "the best they can be" in terms of their behaviour. Our first half-termly prize draw for all students with no signatures on Card 1 will be made during Friday morning's Celebration Assemblies: good luck to all! New cards will be issued at the start of the new academic year.

As you will be aware, we held our first ever "HP Fest" on Friday and what an amazing success it was - from fairground rides through to giant inflatables, what a wonderful day we had in the sunshine. Once again, student behaviour was exemplary and was commented upon by our external visitors. Thank you to those parents/carers who have sent us such lovely thank you messages. When we also consider, for example, the range of trips we have offered this year (at the time of writing, a group of students and staff have just returned after having an excellent time in Berlin), our Performing Arts and sporting opportunities, our students are fortunate to have such dedicated staff willing to devote additional time to them.

To give you advance notice, our Performing Arts team have been busy behind the scenes and we are so excited to share the news that next year's "practically perfect" musical will be "Mary Poppins Jr!" We will be emailing all students audition packs over the summer so they can be practising their chim chim cher-ees and spoonful of sugars ready for auditions in September. This will be a fantastic opportunity for students from all year groups to take part in this wonderful experience and we look forward to sharing our performances with you between the 10-13th February, 2026.

## Staffing News

We are incredibly proud of our staff and wish them a well-deserved break. As we approach the end of the year, we say farewell to Mrs Hussey, Mrs Vickers, Mr Foster, Mr Patrick, Ms Booth and Mrs Hallam and wish them all the best for the future. At the start of July, we held our induction for new staff -





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despite the well-documented issues with recruitment to schools, we are fully staffed for the new academic year and have had to expand our staffing numbers to accommodate the fact that the school continues to grow: once again, we are over-subscribed for our new Year 7.

## Year 11 GCSE Results

Good luck to Year 11 who will receive their final results on **Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> August (9-10 am)** – collection will be from our Hall. We thoroughly enjoyed their Leavers' Assembly, featuring a wonderful array of signed shirts and a guard of honour exit from staff and students, the Year 11 Prom and we wish them all the best for the future.

## Year 10 Summer Learning

As we approach the summer break, we would like to take this opportunity to highlight the importance of continued study and retrieval practice in preparation for the rigour of Year 11. Year 11 will be a pivotal year in your child's academic journey, culminating in their GCSE examinations. To support a smooth transition and ensure students retain key knowledge from Year 10, we will be setting structured Summer Learning tasks. These tasks are designed to reinforce learning, build confidence, and develop effective study habits. Summer Learning will be set in partnership with Lionheart Educational Trust and by Humphrey Perkins staff. Whilst bespoke Humphrey Perkins Summer Learning will be available throughout the Summer, students will also receive additional tasks from their subjects on the following dates:

- Monday 21st July
- Monday 4th August
- Monday 18th August

Subject leaders will be taking into account learning gaps and areas for improvement from the Year 10 Trial Examinations to support closing these gaps. All homework will be set via Beehive and completed using Microsoft Teams. These tasks are **compulsory and must be completed over the Summer**.

## Start of the New Academic Year

Following two days for staff training, there will be a phased return for students:

**Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> August – Years 7 and 11 on site** and they will follow a normal school day.

**Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> August – Years 8, 9 and 10** will have work set for them on Beehive but they will not be required to attend on site.

**From Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> August** – all students will be back on site.





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The Heads of Years will be as follows: Miss Mason, Year 7, Mr Matts, Year 8; Mr Holmes, Year 9; Mr Buck, Year 10 and Year 11. The Heads of Years will be supported by our Student Managers, Mr Hammond and Miss Morgan.

## Uniform

As you are aware, we have very high expectations for our uniform policy/equipment requirements and a link can be found here: <https://www.humphreyperkins.org.uk/about-us/general/uniform-and-equipment/>

In readiness for next term, students may need to replace items of uniform that have become too small or worn out. Skirts must be worn at **knee length**; please ensure that a suitable length of skirt is purchased. Similarly, only black, v-necked jumpers are permitted in school. Should students wish to wear a jumper, it must be worn under their blazer rather than instead of it. Next term, round neck sweaters or jumpers with logos will be confiscated. Some students may choose to wear acrylic nails during the summer holidays or have coloured braids attached to their hair. It is important that items like these are removed before the start of next term. In terms of our non-uniform guidance, skin-tight playsuits/leotards/jumpsuits are now not permitted. A really polite reminder that all students must also bring a suitable bag for their belongings and a pencil case which contains their required equipment: this will ensure that they are ready for learning.

During the Summer Term, we wish to remind parents/carers that all students must bring their blazers to school, every day. Students will be told on a daily basis whether it is a "Relaxed Blazer Day" which means they are not required to wear their blazer throughout the day because of a temperature spike. Regardless, students are permitted to remove their blazers at Break or Lunch.

## Additional News

Following some excellent transition work and fantastic feedback, we look forward to welcoming our new Year 7s at the start of the academic year. All new Year 7 tutor groups will have allocated student helpers at the start of the term.

Following increased costs, from the new academic year, meal prices are increasing across Lionheart Educational Trust. A main meal will cost £2.70 and a meal deal will cost £3.20.

Finally, have a wonderful, restful Summer and thank you for your support. Whilst our school and office will be closed over the Summer, should you wish to contact us, please email





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[office@humphreyperkins.org.uk](mailto:office@humphreyperkins.org.uk) and we will reply to you as soon as we can, although the email will not be checked regularly. In the event of a **safeguarding emergency**, please contact the emergency services or social care. You may also wish to email [dsl@humphreyperkins.org.uk](mailto:dsl@humphreyperkins.org.uk) and one of our team will respond as soon as they are able.

Yours sincerely

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