



Year 8 Update

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Well, there we have it, the end of Year 8! I did say it flies by, and it sure does!

Once again it has truly been a joy to guide and nurture the students (my little chickens – although definitely not so little anymore!) through Year 8. They continue to be an amazing year group to be at the helm of.

Looking forwards, Year 9 will be a busy year for them. We have put them in new learning groups for September. This time we have shuffled the whole year group up so that they can get to know more people and make new friends. They will find these out on their first day back.

There are some big events in Year 9 such as choosing their GCSE options – exciting! There will be a careers fayre, opportunity for careers interviews and the Year 9 Options evening itself where they can find out about the individual courses on offer. They will have plenty of support throughout this whole process.

The other exciting opportunity in Year 9 is the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh. This will be launched in an assembly, and I strongly advise students to chase this opportunity and get involved. At the end of Year 9 is the Battlefields trip which I still believe is one of the best trips Farmor's runs. Such a grounding and humbling learning experience.

Then, dare I say it.....at the end of Year 9 they will be ordering their blazers for Year 10!

In terms of the start of next term, students in Years 8-11 will return to school on Wednesday 3rd September. Students in 9RAC, 9ST and 9AEC have PE on that day so will need to be in PE kit, everyone else has normal lessons.

Room changes for September registration as follows: 8JHB will become 9ELP and will register in ME1 as we say a sad farewell to Miss Hatton we give a warm welcome to Mrs Palmer. All other tutors and registration rooms remain the same.

My Four Rs will continue to be the underlying values for the year group: Resilience, Respect, Reputation and Role-Modelling. With all of this endeavouring to make them the best version of themselves.

So, as you can see there is so much to look forward to in Year 9 and I will be proud and privileged to guide them through another year of their Farmor's School journey.

Yours sincerely
Sarah Dawson
Head of Year 8