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## Autumn Term 2018 Headmaster's Circular Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September

### Welcome

The staff enjoyed two busy INSET days last week in preparation for the start of the new school year and it was also a pleasure to see a number of St. Hugh's pupils taking part in the Leicester Tigers rugby camp held on the school grounds. This week it has been wonderful to see the children return to school with a smile on their face and a bounce in their step as they get used to the routine of their new class and timetable.

### Staff News

Many congratulations to Charlotte Ellicker who married her fiancée, Steve during the summer holidays. Charlotte's married name will be Mrs Ellicker-Campling. Secondly, we welcome Miss Lydia Ward to St. Hugh's in her role as Resident Graduate Assistant. Lydia has just qualified as a primary school teacher from the University of Gloucester. Mrs Lisa McClintock joins the EYFS team as a Nursery Assistant. Gavin and Sharon Sinnott will be responsible for DT and Art respectively and Kate Waite takes on the role of Head of Additional Learning. Unfortunately, Holly Pepper leaves her role as school secretary and Susan Sim will take on the role as School Secretary/Head's PA on a full-time basis. Flora Bonner-Mackenzie will be Head of Red Set and will be editing the school magazine.

### What's On – Autumn Term 2018

I trust that you have received a copy of this term's calendar that was issued with invoices at the end of the summer term. If you are missing a copy please contact the School Office.

Amendments:

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November - the U11 team will not be taking part in the IAPS Tournament at Ratcliffe College.

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November - the Remembrance Service planned for Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November will take place at 2pm not 3.30pm as advertised.

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November – Highfields Invitational Cross Country has been postponed.

### Years 3 – 8 Hobbies

It has been great to see hobbies for the pupils in Years 3 – 8 commencing this week. If you have any queries about hobbies please contact Mr Goodhand on:

[rgoodhand@st-hughs.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:rgoodhand@st-hughs.lincs.sch.uk)

### E-Mail Contact

If you have any queries regarding your child's progress, either academically or pastorally, please make the class teacher or form tutor your first point of contact. Staff e-mail addresses include the first letter of the forename name followed by their surname. For example, Mr Richard Goodhand is: [rgoodhand@st-hughs.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:rgoodhand@st-hughs.lincs.sch.uk)

### Boarding

Miss Hainsworth has emailed a Boarding Newsletter with arrangements for this year. Please be aware that bedding can now be provided for week night stays. Please contact Miss Hainsworth on: [boarding@st-hughs.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:boarding@st-hughs.lincs.sch.uk) with any queries.

### Year 8 Positions of Responsibility

Congratulations to the following pupils who have been appointed positions of responsibility this term:

Head Boy – Lorenzo Fantasia

Head Girl – Ava Ward

Deputy Head Boy – Digby Vincent

Deputy Head Girl – Caitlin Llewelin

Captain of Rugby – Lorenzo Fantasia

Captain of Hockey – Georgina Hardy

Red Set Captain – Gabriel Sinnott

White Set Captain – Jake Wallis

Blue Set Captain – Jack Church

### Sports Fixtures

Team sheets for pupils in Years 3 – 8 will be produced on a weekly basis and will be available via the school website/calendar & sports results by Monday. You will receive an email to let you know when the details are live on the website. The team sheets will inform you

whether the fixture is home/away and expected finish/arrival times. Please note that all pupils are expected to stay for match teas following the conclusion of their matches. Parents are most welcome to attend fixtures both home and away. If your child is going home with another parent following the conclusion of a fixture please can you let the school office know in advance.

### **Fixtures - Photos**

If you take any photos at school fixtures of your child's team that you think may be suitable for inclusion in school publications please forward to Cathy Twigg (Marketing Officer) on: [ctwigg@st-hughs.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:ctwigg@st-hughs.lincs.sch.uk)

### **Pupil Planners – Years 3 – 8**

Pupils in Years 3 – 8 have been issued with a new style, more robust planner for use throughout the academic year as opposed to new planners every term. The planners should be a very useful link between home and school. Form teachers will be checking planners every Wednesday and I would ask that you check and sign your child's planner on a weekly basis.

### **Years 3 – 8 Games Kit**

All games kit brought to school on Monday has been checked. If any items are missing you will be contacted by the school to make you aware. I would ask that arrangements are then made to ensure your child has a complete set of games kit in school; thank you.

### **Uniform Shop**

We are aware of issues regarding non-delivery of some items of uniform and sports kit for the start of term. Please accept our apologies for this inconvenience as we have been let down by our suppliers. We are looking to rectify these issues as soon as possible.

All items of uniform must be paid for at the time of purchase and cannot be added your termly invoice. We have the facility to take card payments in order to purchase school uniform.

### **Mindfulness Day – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September**

You will see from the 'What's On' that we have a Mindfulness Day planned for the pupils on Monday. We will be welcoming Sheena Rayner to school who will be delivering wellbeing sessions that include yoga,

breath awareness and relaxation techniques. The sessions will be delivered to the pupils in their respective year groups, throughout the course of the day. This initiative ties in with our responsibility to promote the mental health and wellbeing of all the pupils at the school.

### **Open Day – Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September**

We will be holding an open day on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September for prospective families. Shortly you will receive some leaflets to promote the open day and I would be very grateful if you could pass them on to any interested friends or contacts.

### **Harvest Church Service at St. Peter's – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October**

We look forward to Harvest service at St. Peter's Church at 9.30am on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October. All the pupils from Reception to Year 6 will be in attendance. Parents and family are warmly invited to attend. The senior pupils in Years 7 & 8 will be departing on their sports tour to Edinburgh and will not be attending.

### **Bus Service**

I would like to remind you that the school minibus service runs every Friday afternoon as we no longer have any formal exeat weekends. The only exception will be the end of a term if it falls on a Friday.

### **St. Hugh's Parents Association**

Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November – Tapas Evening

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November – Christmas Fair

### **And finally.....**

I wish you an enjoyable weekend and I look forward to seeing you at some of the planned events this term.

*Mr Chris Ward*  
Headmaster