

Our Ref: KK/JEV

13 April 2011

Dear Parent/Carer

It's been another busy term at Newport High School, with our students being involved in a huge range of fantastic events.

The term started with another great Eisteddfod which was attended by the Mayor, followed by a smaller show for members of our local community. Students raised over £600 for Comic Relief and out-danced the Dragons in the process. We officially opened our new Cycle Shelter and marked the event with students and staff cycling to school and taking part in a cycle assault course. There were pathways evenings for KS4 students and we conducted our first Revision conference for Year 10 students. We also implemented a new rewards system at the school and held our best attended Academic Review Day to date. These are but a few of the events that students took part in and highlight their commitment to both the school and the wider community.

As I am sure you are aware, we have been in the process of securing a new catering provider for some time. I am pleased to be able to tell you that Caterlink has been appointed as our new school meals provider from 3 May. Caterlink impressed both the Governing Body and Student Council representatives, who were heavily involved in developing the tender and in interviewing the candidate companies. You will be receiving further details about the company and the catering they will be providing over the next couple of days.

I would also like to take this opportunity to wish all our students who will be sitting exams or submitting coursework over the next few months every success and I encourage you to support them as much as you can at this important time. Staff are hosting a variety of revision classes both after school and during the Easter holidays and taking advantage of these extra sessions can often make all the difference.

Could I also ask that you remind your child that the use of mobile phones within classes and exams is strictly forbidden. All phones and indeed any valuables that are brought to school should be secured in students' lockers. If your child has lost a locker key, replacements can be purchased from the main office.

Finally I would like to remind you of a number of important dates for the coming term.

03 May 2011	Start of Summer Term
30 May - 03 June 2011	Half Term
16 June 2011	KS3 into KS4 Transition Evening
23 June 2011	Year 6 Transition Evening
24 June 2011	Year 5 & 6 Transition Day
01 July 2011	Staff Training Day (School Closed to Students)
04 July - 08 July 2011	Family Learning Week
08 July 2011	Sports Day
21 July 2011	End of Academic Year

One further INSET day is yet to be allocated.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

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