

# Carshalton Boys Sports College



August 2018

Dear Parent / Guardian

## 2018/2019 Academic Year

Firstly I hope you and your families have had a great holiday. At the end of the letter are details of when students start in September along with dates of our Information Evenings.

### Examination Results

A summary of our examination results at both A level and GCSE is below:

**A Level – 100%**, pass rate at A-level/vocational, with 55% of the grades awarded at A\*-B and 83% achieving A\*-C grades. **57** of our students have been offered and accepted places at University. Every student leaving Year 13 has education, training or employment in place, and we wish them every success in the future.

**GCSE – Best ever results**, now that the new courses and grading system has embedded and our staff and students rose to the challenges this presented, with some students sitting 33 exam papers. I am pleased to announce that Carshalton Boys has achieved our best ever results at GCSE.

Detailed below are the % figures for English, Maths and student obtaining English and Maths. Grades 4 - 9 are equivalent to grades C – A\*.

English 4+ = 80%  
English 5+ = 61%  
English 7+ = 21%

Maths 4+ = 79%  
Maths 5+ = 48%  
Maths 7+ = 15%

English & Maths 4+ = 72%  
English & Maths 5+ = 43%  
English & Maths 7+ = 11%

The majority of other subjects had pass rates well above national average.

All students, staff and parents should be very proud of these results, which demonstrate the huge effort and commitment put in by everyone involved.

### Uniform

All students must wear complete school uniform at all times. Students must not wear trainers, caps, sweatshirts, hoodies or fleeces or any other item that is not deemed to be school uniform to, from or in school. Please note that the school coat is a compulsory piece of school uniform. If a student wears any item of non-school uniform either in or to/from school it will be confiscated and returned at the end of that half term. Please ensure that all items of uniform are labelled clearly with your son's name.

### Food Account

Please ensure that there are sufficient funds on your son's food account before the start of term, this can be done via the WisePay website.

### Jewellery

Students are not permitted to wear jewellery in or to/from school; this includes rings, earrings, bracelets and all other piercings. If a student does so he will be asked to remove the item (regardless of when the piercing occurred) and the item will be confiscated and returned at the end of that half term.

### Mobile Phones

Mobile phones and other devices should be switched off or in 'silent' or 'flight' mode during lessons unless instructed otherwise by the teacher. The use of mobile phones or other devices to send text and other messages during lessons is strictly prohibited. Students using a mobile phone during lessons without permission, or using a phone inappropriately (eg cyberbullying), will have the phone confiscated; you will be contacted to come into school to collect the phone.

### Behaviour for learning

The main emphasis in the school is of praise and reward so that a positive school ethos is engendered. Students are encouraged at all times to take a pride in themselves, their work and their school. The

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Behaviour for Learning code is in place so that every boy knows what is expected of him. It centres around five main principles; Perseverance, Respect, Independence and Collaboration, Discovery and Enthusiasm. Please note that if a student does not follow the Behaviour for Learning code and has an entry on SIMS for poor behaviour/lack of uniform or other misconduct this will result in a one-hour detention being given on the same day as the entry. Parents will be informed by text or phone call. If a student fails to attend a set detention (without good reason, approved by the Leadership Group) they will be given a two-hour detention the next day. If a student fails to complete two or more pieces of homework during any one week he will be given a two-hour detention on the following Monday, again parents will be advised of this by text message/phone call. If a student continues to fail to follow the schools code of conduct they may be given a Saturday detention, your son's Learning Co-ordinator will phone you to discuss this.

### **Attendance and Lateness**

The link between regular attendance and achievement at school is well documented, and attendance at school is a legal requirement which you as a parent are obliged to enforce. In order for your son to achieve his full potential he should aim to attend school every day with an overall attendance of at least 95% each year. If for any reason your son's attendance drops below this then we are obliged by law to refer your son to our Education Welfare Service who may have to refer the case to court and could refer in a fine or other penalty.

Being punctual is not only a requirement in school but is a requirement of success in the work place. Lateness to school and lessons is disruptive to all students learning. At Carshalton Boys Sports College a policy is in place to address lateness. A one-hour detention will be given to any student who arrives late for school (after 8:30am) on the same day. You will be notified of this either by text message, email or phone call. Please do not book any holidays during term time, Government Guidelines now state that I will no longer be able to authorise holiday requests and you may be issued with a £60.00 fine.

### **Start of Term**

Year 7	-	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 8:30am
Year 11	-	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 11:00am
Year's 8 to 10	-	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 8:30am
Year 13	-	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 8:30am
Year 12	-	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> September 8:30am

Timetables will be issued during registration on the above dates in September but please note that it is Gold Week (week one of the timetable). Your son's timetable can also be viewed on the schoolcomms app or on school gateway.

We will be holding year group Information Evenings as listed below and would encourage you to attend.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Start Time</b>	<b>Venue</b>
Year 7	3 <sup>th</sup> October	5:15pm	Sports Hall and English Block*
Year 8	26 <sup>th</sup> September	6:00pm	Sports Hall
Year 9	27 <sup>th</sup> September	6:00pm	Sports Hall
Year 10	11 <sup>th</sup> September	6:00pm	Sports Hall
Year 11	13 <sup>th</sup> September	6:00pm	Sports Hall
Year 12	11 <sup>th</sup> October	at 6pm	Main Hall
Year 13	11 <sup>th</sup> October	at 7pm	Main Hall

\* Further details will follow in due course about the Year 7 Information/Pastoral Evening

### **Staff Training**

Further to our previous notification to you a reminder that from September 2018 school will close for students at 13:45pm once fortnightly, on a Thursday in Gold Week to allow for ongoing staff training. A supervised study space will be available for students if you would prefer for your child to remain on site.

Thank you for your continued support and I wish you all well for the 2018/2019 academic year.

Yours sincerely



Simon Barber  
**Principal**