

## **Dear Parent / Carer**

It is difficult to believe that we are nearing the end of the summer term. Once again, this year has been extremely busy with pupils taking part in so many rich and diverse activities. I would like to take this opportunity to say a fond farewell to the Class of 2018. They will receive their GCSE results on August 23 from 9.00 a.m. I am sure that all of their hard work will pay dividends.

Our current Year 10 Pupils have also worked hard in preparation for the GCSE English Literature exam which they sat this term. Year 10 pupils can come into school

to receive these results from 10.00 a.m. the same day. Good luck to everyone!

As one year group leaves, another joins. We have had two wonderful Year 7 induction days this term. Our new pupils are now ready to join us as part of the Venerable Bede Family in September. To enable them to have a positive start to the year, they begin our new school term on Wednesday 5 September at 8.30a.m. All other year groups start back at 11.00 a.m. that day. This will give the new Year 7 a chance to find their feet before the rest of the school join them.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all of your support this academic year. I wish each of you a restful summer break, and look forward to continuing our journey together

Best Wishes

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Headteacher

## **ENRICHMENT WEEK 2018**

































Pupils and Staff took part in a week of activities designed to support their work during curriculum time.

Year Ten pupils have the opportunity to take on some work experience, some pupils venture

out on week long trips (this year to Poland and London) whilst others take on exciting projects in school as well as on local study day trips.

This year's week of enrichment has been a wonderful success with

many pupils coming back to school with exciting tales to tell!

Look forward to reading them in our next edition of the Academy newspaper.

## **CURRICULUM FOCUS**

At Venerable Bede Academy, we aim to deliver the best possible education for our pupils. Our curriculum continues to evolve as we develop and evaluate strategies and approaches designed to create a challenging, appropriate, relevant and inclusive curriculum. There is an emphasis on promoting strength and success in traditional academic subjects balanced with a desire to foster personalisation in our provision. The curriculum is constantly reviewed and





developed to not only meet the needs and strengths of our pupils, but to provide rich opportunities for them to develop a range of skills and enjoy memorable experiences. Details of the curriculum for each subject can be found on our school website:

http://venerablebede.co.uk/departments.html

We will be updating subject information, including termly topics/units of work and key assessment information for 2018/19, throughout the summer.

As always at this time in the school year, we will also be reviewing class groupings in advance of the new academic year. This enables us to match the needs of individual pupils with the most appropriate classes and teaching style/pace so that we can ensure every child has the very best possible chance of experiencing success within each subject area. Pupils will receive their 2018/19 timetables and details of their new classes in September.



## **KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Event	School Opens or Event Begins	School Closes or Event Ends
Academy closes for Summer Break		Friday 20 July Pupils dismissed at 1.20pm
GCSE Results Day	Thursday 23 August Year 11 from 09.00am Year 10 from 10.00am	
Academy re-opens	Wednesday 5 September New Year 7 and Prefects - 8.30am Years 8-11 - 11.00am	
Year 11 Expectations Evening	Tuesday 11 September 5.00pm	Tuesday 11 September 2018 6.00pm
Year 9 Expectations Evening	Tuesday 18 September 5.00pm	Tuesday 18 September 2018 6.00pm
Year 6 Open Evening	Tuesday 25 September 5.00pm	Tuesday 25 September 2018 7.00pm
Year 7 Settling In Evening	Tuesday 9 October 4.00pm	Tuesday 9 October 2018 6.00pm