



Devonport High School for Girls

A Specialist Language College

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well and that you and your families had good summer. I am pleased to have welcomed back students after the break, this week and to see familiar faces. It also gives me great pleasure to welcome new year 7 students and families to the school, along with some new Sixth Formers.

Exam Successes

The staff and I are delighted to be able to celebrate the success of last year's Year 13 and Year 11 students. Despite grade boundaries this year reverting largely back to pre-pandemic levels, students still achieved incredibly well. Our Year 13s have left us for pastures new securing places at university, in apprenticeships or in employment. This is a significant achievement for them and the school, and is down to the hard work and dedication of students, staff and parents. Good results don't happen by chance; they are the result of careful preparation, effective work routines, excellent attendance, a positive attitude to learning and high degree of motivation and determination. These were demonstrated by students throughout their studies and contributed to their success. This is particularly pleasing, considering the disruption students have faced, during the course of their studies.

Staffing updates

I can confirm again that we are again fully staffed, with subject specialists. With a national shortage of teachers and the difficulty in recruitment we are in a very fortunate position here indeed. New staff starting at DHSG this September are:

Mr Ashley – Head of English
Miss Bradley – Teacher of Dance
Mr Crossman – Teacher of Music
Miss Dupas – Teacher of French
Miss Lethbridge – Head of MFL
Mrs Luscombe – Sixth Form Administrator (Maternity Cover)
Mr Meikle – Teacher of History
Dr Morley – Head of Science
Mr Prideaux – Head of Biology
Miss Russell – Teacher of PE
Mr Samarakoon – Teacher of Maths

School Events/Calendar

The school calendar of events is published on our website and is updated when there are any changes. Please do keep an eye on this. We have some exciting events coming up, such as the Community Roast (for new Year 7 parents) and annual Carol Concert, to name but a few.

My very best wishes,

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