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From the headmaster

30 June 2017

Dear Parents

Events and Arrangements for the end of the Summer term

I thought it would be helpful to advise you of the following events and arrangements for the last weeks of term:

 As you will know, the first, second and third form students have completed examinations this term. They will have received feedback from subject teachers on their performance and how to improve next year. We have also completed reports for these year groups.

Third year: issued on 27 June 2017

First and Second year: scheduled to be issued on Friday, 14 July

Form tutors will be discussing reports with the students before the end of term wherever possible and I hope you will find the information useful, as parents, on how your son/daughter has progressed during the year.

- There will be a **Jazz Evening** on Tuesday, 4 July and presentation of Music Colours. This will take place at 7pm in the School Hall. All welcome free entry with a retiring collection.
- Sports Day is to be held on Thursday, 6 July 2017 and starts at 1.30pm. Parents are welcome to attend should they wish to do so; please advise Mrs Kinread if you intend to come.
- Lower School Prizegiving Wednesday, 12 July 2016

All parents of students in the second and third form, and those parents of students in the first form who are to receive a prize, are invited to attend Lower School Prizegiving which commences at 2pm. Please advise our school office (Mrs Kinread) if you are able to join us on this occasion. The guest speaker is Mr Nick Chester, Old Riponian and Technical Director of Renault Sport Formula One Team.

All students in year 4 and the lower sixth form will be leaving school on Wednesday, 12 July at 12.05 (after lesson 4). This is due to Lower School Prizegiving being held that afternoon which does not involve them. I hope this will not cause any inconvenience. Please note therefore that these students will need to make their own way home as school buses will come at the usual time of 3.55pm.

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- The Junior production of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' will take place on **Thursday**, **13 July and Friday**, **14 July**, **starting at 7pm**.
- A reminder that school is closed on Thursday, 13 July as this is a staff training day. This date
 coincides with the Great Yorkshire Show to allow them the opportunity to visit the show. There
 will be a trip for boarders on that day to the GYS.
- An Arts evening will be held on Tuesday, 18 July from 4.30pm 7pm to view the work of A-level and GCSE artists. There will be light refreshments available.
- The second form are involved in 'Building for the Future' on Wednesday, 19 July and Thursday, 20 July and will be 'off timetable' for these two days. However, full school uniform should be worn please.
- Commemoration Service and Last Day of Term Friday, 21 July.
 This service takes place in Ripon Cathedral at 11am on Friday morning. Parents are not expected to attend on this occasion. All students must wear their full school uniform, including blazers, please.
- School finishes at 12.30pm on Friday, 21 July. John Smiths, Abbotts and Atkinsons buses will all come at 12.30pm and take the same route that they would do normally, but Sean's Minibuses will not be running at lunchtime on the last day of term. However, service buses to Harrogate (56R) and York (143) will be at the usual time. Please make arrangements for your child to get home at this earlier time if they do not catch a school bus.
- The RGS News will provide a summary of this term's news; I hope you will enjoy reading it. It will be brought home by your son/daughter on the last day of term and will also be available electronically on the school website.
- A-level and AS results will be available from 9am on Thursday, 17 August and GCSE results will be available from 9am on Thursday, 24 August.
- The calendar for 2017-2018 is on the school website for information and outlines key events
 for the coming academic year. This will continue to be updated. Term dates for the academic
 year 2018-2019 will be confirmed soon and will be placed on the school website and emailed
 home.

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The new term will start on **Monday, 4 September** 2017 following a staff training day on Friday,1 September 2017.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy and restful holiday, and I would like to thank you for your support over the years.

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