



Message from Mr Maltby

20th May 2022

Good afternoon,

I returned to school site earlier this week after a brief period of isolation with Covid-19. It was wonderful to return to Holbrook to observe, for myself, just how brilliantly our Year 11 students have begun their period of GCSE examinations. They are a credit to themselves and to our school community.

I also got to enjoy the Platinum Jubilee afternoon tea on my return; which was all made by our ASDAN group. The incredible food can be seen in the photo.



My return to work needs to begin with an apology regarding communication for this week's Year 8 Parents' Evening. I do apologise for the short notice that was provided last week; something I usually lead up to in my weekly communications. To improve our communication, I will now be developing the format of my weekly parent-mail to a weekly e-bulletin which will include key dates and notices alongside my personal message. If you are a parent / carer of a Year 8 student and you were unable to speak with your child's teacher this week due to the shorter notice provided, please can you email Mr Newstead on kerrick.newstead@holbrookacademy.org and we will ensure you have the opportunity to receive the feedback you missed.

I do also want to consult with both parents/carers and teachers on the format of our Parents' Evenings in the next academic year. If you have a view on whether we maintain our remote Parents' Evenings or move to meeting on site, please can you contact me directly; my email address is tom.maltby@holbrookacademy.org

Next week's Year 7 Parents' Evening is a timely reminder that parents/carers of Year 7 students did not have the experience of an open event in the Autumn Term 2020 so I am currently arranging opportunities for these parents/carers to be welcomed onto our school site during the Summer Term. I am also scheduling the Year 8 GradU8 event, a further opportunity for Year 11 parents/carers to be part of their child's final day of school and activity events for all students at the end of the Summer term. These key dates will be communicated to parents/carers directly and shared more widely in our new e-bulletin

Our assemblies next will also be focused on school uniform with Miss Cocker speaking with the girls in each year group about appropriate dress.

I look forward to ensuring we end our academic year on a real high point as a community

Thank you for your on-going feedback and support.

Tom Maltby
Headteacher