

The Warriner School

Responsible - Respectful – Ready

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Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians,

I hope this letter finds you well and looking forward to the weekend.

It has been a very busy and positive start to the academic year, with lots of great activities that have already taken place. Year 7s have settled really well and are becoming very much a part of the school community, with most not needing their maps to get from A to B anymore – a real achievement! All year groups have been involved in our House celebration assemblies, with lots of trophies and prizes being presented to many students who consistently reflect our values: 'to be responsible, to be ready and to be respectful.' Well done to the many students involved. In two weeks' time we have our Enrichment Days and I know that there are many fantastic opportunities arranged over the two days and I want to thank all staff and families for supporting these activities.

Looking ahead to Wednesday 12th October we are holding our first subject consultation evening for Year 11 students and their families. These evenings will continue to run virtually, so please look out for the relevant information and make use of the time you will have with your child's teachers, in this most important GCSE year.

One incident I want to address is not so positive, I'm afraid. You may or may not be aware that on Tuesday 20th September, we had three non-Warriner teenage girls enter our grounds, with the intent to fight one of our students. This happened at 3pm, as our students were leaving school and getting on their buses. Very sadly, there was a fight, which was a particularly unpleasant one and a lot of students, including our younger students, witnessed this. Duty staff were present and helped the student and bystanders; luckily it was over quite quickly and the three girls left the site. I want to reassure you that we have taken this incident very seriously: the Police were informed, severe sanctions were put in place immediately for one of our students involved, the site is being made more secure and we now have extra duty staff in place. However, we are also aware that many videos of the incident have been circulating in the community and I would like you help us to stop these videos being shared. This is a Police matter, so these videos may be used as evidence and, also, young children seeing these videos are being upset and this is not helpful for anyone. If your child has been upset by the incident, please alert us – their Tutor in the first instance – and we can provide professional support. Indeed, our pastoral team in the WLC have been supporting students all week and have been working incredibly hard to keep our students calm, happy and safe. We do not tolerate fighting in our school and this level of violence will always be treated seriously and



severely. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school but please do not allow your child to see or share these videos.

On a better note, the weather forecast looks good for the weekend, so have a great weekend.

With very best wishes

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'S Nicholls'.

Sharon Nicholls
Head of School