

# The Warriner School

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Dear Parents, Carers and Guardian,

What a busy few weeks we have had, I cannot believe that the end of term is upon us already! I do hope you have remembered that it is an Inset Day on Friday and students finish school this Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October at 3pm.

## Sister Act

Firstly, I have to say that we had a very special week last week, and all thanks to Sammi Newman, Martha Hickerton, Laura Thompson, Lynda Webb, their vast support team of colleagues (internal and external support) and the cast of 78 brilliant students, who produced the most fabulous Sister Act performances. Every performance was a sell out! The cast performed to primary schools last Wednesday afternoon and then performed four nights in a row, adding a Saturday matinee too. The standard was of a professional level, and I know from the emails I have received just how much the audiences enjoyed the show – just one example received this morning: *'We just wanted to say a huge, huge thank you for all the time, dedication and effort you and your team have shown with Sister Act.'*

*It was the most wonderful, fabulous performance we have seen, as well as such talent and skill from all the cast, the crew with the lighting and music was brilliant too. An all-round epic show. We and all our family and friends who came to watch it absolutely loved it.'*

'Thank you' to each and every person involved (including parents, carers and guardians), and we look forward to the next production!

## Year 7s & Year 12s

The Year 7s and Year 12s have nearly completed their first term here, and they have settled in well – their school standards are good, their work ethic is high and, generally, they are turning into very positive Warriner School/Sixth Form role models – Mr Fitton and Mr Smith are working hard every day to support their successful transitions, so well done to all these students. In fact, the new Year 7s and Year 8s had a fantastic evening recently at their Settlers Fair – organised by Mr Rafferty. It was so good to see so many students involved and to also see lots of parents joining in with the occasion; there was a real community spirit.

## Travelling to and from school

Please remind your child, if they ride a bike to school, please ensure that their bike has front and rear working lights and that they wear a helmet at all times. Also, if they have a lift - please do not drive through the front of the school; to help ease road congestion, drop off away from the school and allow your child to walk the rest of the way to school; most students do not need to be dropped off on site. Also, ensure that you do not park in a disabled parking bay or block our disabled parking bays. The other area to be mindful about is the Bloxham Nursery, opposite the school –



please do not use their carpark to park in or to use as a turning place, it is causing this local business undue pressure and inconvenience.

### Year 11s & Year 13s

Looking ahead, we have our Sixth Form Open Evening on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November from 6pm**, so if your child is in Year 11 and thinking about Sixth Form, please come along and find out more about us. Still with Year 11s but also Year 13s, they have their Autumn Mocks starting on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November (Year 11s)** and **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November (Year 13s)** and I know their teachers have been working hard to support them in the build up to these very important exams. All students have received their exam timetables, so please discuss these with them. As a parent or guardian of a Year 11/13 student, you will also receive details about our 'Ready to Launch' online revision programme – again please look out for these details.

### Careers

We had another exciting event last week – last Thursday at Lock 29 in Banbury's shopping precinct, we held an Apprenticeship Fair, where many employers were looking for their next apprentices. This was yet again a success and I want to thank Mr Rafferty for his hard work and commitment into getting this event up and running – so important for our young people and community.

Finally – as you may be aware, we had an Ofsted visit a few weeks ago – five inspectors were with us for two full days of inspection. I am happy to report that we had a very positive experience, and we are looking forward to the report in the coming weeks.

Have a good half term break.

With very best wishes



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