

Hutton

Church of England Grammar School and Sixth Form

Head Teacher: Mrs N Moran BA (Hons)

Accomplishment... Humility... Service...

6th January 2023

Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians

I am delighted to have started as Headteacher at Hutton Church of England Grammar during this time of Epiphany. Our scripture from Isaiah this week embodies this precious time of new beginnings and a real sense of hope for the future:

"Forget the former things; do not dwell in the past ... I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland."

Isaiah - 43:18-19

The staff and students have been incredibly welcoming and I look forward to meeting you all at parents' evenings, HGSA meetings as well as other school events.

It is the words of our foundation scripture: Colossians 3:23, which sits at the heart of my leadership:

"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as if working for the Lord, not for people"

Community and high standards, rooted in the Christian values of Accomplishment, Humility and Service, are central to the success of Hutton and I am sure you will support me in ensuring our school goes from strength to strength. It is vital that our students are ready to learn. Punctuality, uniform and equipment are key in being ready to succeed. Please ensure that your child is fully prepared for school and understands the importance of punctuality. I realise that some families may be currently experiencing difficulties; do contact us if we can support you in any way.

I would also like to remind you all about our communication system, 'Synergy'. Please do check this regularly, as it is our main form of communication with you. If you are having any difficulties accessing Synergy, please contact the school office.

Last month many of you will have seen the news that Steve Borthwick, an ex Huttonian, was appointed as the national coach for Rugby Union. We are incredibly proud of Steve and all his accomplishments. He truly embodies Huttonian values in his commitment to accomplishing excellence and we wish him every success in the next leg of his inspirational journey. Most of the national newspapers covered his appointment and you can read more about his career to date here.

It was lovely to meet so many students at 'Coding Club' yesterday after school. Best of luck to the team who are hoping to enter the 'Robot Challenge' competition. We were runners up last year so let's see how far we can get this year.

Y11 Mock Interviews took place today. My thanks to all interviewers, many ex-Huttonians, who have generously given up their time to support our Y11 boys in such an important area of life. The boys' conduct was exemplary; a credit to our school. Y11 have their Parents' evening on 24th January 2023. Mr Ficorilli, our Careers Advisor, will be available, no appointments necessary.

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We have a busy week ahead. Year 13 mock exams will begin and I wish them every success in this important stage of examination preparation. In addition, the Police Cycle Safety team are in to work with some of our students. Although the nights are getting lighter, do please ensure that all bikes have adequate lighting. Year 9 will begin their options process next week with an assembly from Mrs Mates.

We have multiple fixtures next week in Rugby, Basketball, Swimming and Football. Best of luck to all our competitors. Once again, we are hosting the wonderful Primary Indoor Athletics.

Finally, rehearsals for 'the Wizard of Oz' recommence this week. I am very much looking forward to the performances at the end of March.

Medical Request

As many of you will know cases of flu, covid and other respiratory conditions are rising. It is vital that we look to protect our staff from as many viruses as possible to ensure we can continue to provide quality teaching and learning. The government's guidance is summarised below:

- If your child has a fever or unwell they are to stay at home.
- Please remind your child about the importance of hand hygiene and using tissues to catch coughs and sneezes. Hand sanitiser in their bags would be very helpful.

The full guidance can be found at the government site: Government advice on winter illness.

Please support us in minimising infection within our community.

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Sports

Our inter house competitions are hotting up. Well done to all those involved.

Inter House Sport:

Overall Sports Totals	FLEETWOOD	HINES	PEARSON	RAWSTORNE	WALTON
6th Jan 2023	122	127	137	130	114
	4th	3rd	1st	2nd	5th

Inter House Overall:

Overall Inter House Totals	FLEETWOOD	HINES	PEARSON	RAWSTORNE	WALTON
6th Jan 2023	168	171	159	160	152
	2nd	1st	4th	3rd	5th











