



4th September 2017

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Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

As we begin the new school year I thought that it was important to write to you to bring your attention to key information.

1. Tutor Review Day:

One tutor review day is scheduled this year. This will be held on Tuesday 26th September 2017. **Normal lessons will be suspended and pupils are only required to attend school for the interviews and meetings at the given times.** Details of how to book your son/daughter's appointment will be given in a separate letter shortly. Parents/Carers are invited, together with their child, to attend a meeting with the child's tutor where learning targets and learning progress issues are shared and to review how your child's transition to Toot Hill School has started. Before or after the interview, parents and pupils will have the opportunity to meet with key staff and acquire information about school developments. Equally, parents will be able to feed back to staff their views and experiences of the school. These days do not replace traditional Parents' Evenings and it is the expectation that all parents/carers will attend.

Evidently, it will not be an easy task for tutors to arrange to meet all pupils in their tutor group along with their parents or carers for a ten minute interview on one day. We are also aware of the demands on parents and carers, given their own work and home commitments. Nevertheless, this scheme has worked very well and it supports every child to fulfil their potential.

2. Mobile Phones:- Please note that mobile phones are not permitted in school. If they are used in school they will be confiscated and can be collected by a responsible adult family member at the end of the school day.

3. Term dates:

Term will end for students on Friday 15th December, returning on Monday 8th January 2018.

4. Illness and Absences:- Please be aware that all communication about absences from school should go via our Attendance Officers in Student Services. You can phone or email them at studentservices@toothillschool.co.uk

Please can I also remind parents that extreme hairstyles (colour and style) are not allowed. Parents are advised to consult Miss Ward in advance if they are unsure as to school's expectations on this matter. The school shall be the arbiter of the term 'extreme'. Students may wear a watch but no other jewellery is permitted due to health and safety issues and liability of loss.

We look forward to a successful year.

Yours sincerely,

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