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Dear Parents and Carers

As we approach the end of Term 1 we wanted to write a short message thanking you and students for the extremely positive start that has been made along with some key information for the year ahead.

We are immensely proud of the results the students achieved this summer and we continue to strive for our students to achieve the highest outcomes while developing their self-belief and resilience as an individual. We maintain our high expectations across all areas of College life and thank you for your support in us collectively achieving this.

If you are at all concerned about any aspect of your child's wellbeing we have information on our [website](#) that you might find useful, however, please do not hesitate to contact either their Tutor or Pastoral Manager, Mrs Cheal (details at the end of this letter). With this collaborative approach, working together will enable us to best support your child during their time at Heathfield Community College.

This year our attendance target remains at 96% and evidence shows us that students who have an attendance of 96% or greater on average gain almost one whole grade more than students in other schools. In contrast, those with attendance less than 90% were almost one and a half grades lower. We are always happy to support students and their families with any issues relating to attendance and punctuality.

Please let us know if your child is worried about anything in school or they do not want to attend. We will do our best to help, early intervention in this area is vital to ensure regular attendance patterns are created and sustained.

You will be aware that we send out our fortnightly Heathfield Headlines which gives a flavour of some of the incredible achievements of our students, the manner in which they get fully involved in the life of the College, links to important information and key dates for the diary. If you have missed any editions, they can be found by clicking [here](#).

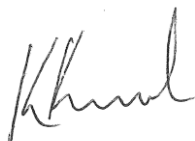
**KEY DATES FOR YEAR 8** (more details will follow nearer the time):

Thursday 24 January	Year 8 Parents Evening
Wednesday 13 February	Options Fair
Friday 21 June	Sports Day
Thursday 11 July	Honours Evening
Monday 15 - Friday 19 July	Year 8 Camp

It is essential that we are able to contact you in an emergency and would ask that if your contact details change during the year you contact Reception on 01435 866066 Ext 1200 or email [office@heathfieldcc.co.uk](mailto:office@heathfieldcc.co.uk) so that we can update our records.

We really look forward to working positively and constructively with you this academic year and thank you for the support you have already given, it is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely



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