



George Mitchell School

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Dear Parents /Carers,

As we approach the end of my first year as Head teacher at George Mitchell School, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and cooperation. We can be proud of our school community, for the way in which we have supported one another through organisational change and for working together to ensure that we focus on maintaining the highest standards of education, both academically and for our children's personal development.

It has been a busy year and I am proud of the achievements and progress that our students and staff have made, despite the national challenges facing teachers and education. This year we celebrate an improvement in our KS1 and KS2 SATs results, a 'good' Ofsted and a return to year 6 drama productions and many trips across the school. We take great pride in the achievements of our students and I wish our year 11 students the best of luck in their GCSE exams.

One of our school development priorities for next year is parental engagement. I look forward to writing to you early in September to share my ideas and seek your thoughts and support in this important area of school development.

End of Academic Year Arrangements

On Friday 21st July secondary students will be dismissed at 1pm and primary students will be dismissed at 1.15pm. If you are collecting your child, please be aware of this earlier end to the day.

GCSE results days

GCSE Results Day is on Thursday the 24th of August. Results will be available for YR11 students and/or parents to collect in person on the 24th of August between 10am – 11am. If for any reason results cannot be collected on this day, then please email our exams officer at Saabriin.Mohamed@georgemitchellschool.co.uk to make alternative arrangements for their collection.

Start of Academic Year Arrangements

From September all students will return to school on Tuesday 5th September.

Nursery and reception students – the Head of Phase Nihal Rashid, has posted arrangements to families separately.

Primary students (Years 1-6) - return to school on Tuesday 5th of September at 8.40am.



Secondary students (Year 7) –start school on Tuesday 5th September at 08.30am. For the first 2 weeks of the term year 7 student will finish at 2.50pm and will be dismissed from the Farmer Road school gate. If you are collecting your child, please be aware of this earlier end to the day. From the 18th September year 7 students will be dismissed with all other secondary students at 3pm.

Secondary students (Years 8 – 11) - return to school on Tuesday 5th of September at 8.40am.

Saying Goodbye & Thank You

We say goodbye and thank you to the following staff for their hard work and dedication during their time with us at George Mitchell School. On your behalf, I wish them all every success in their chosen futures.

Secondary:

Asha Sidhu – Deputy Head teacher
Assia Narot – Curriculum lead for English
Lauren Sukhdeo – Teacher of History
Adriana Uko-Eninn – KS3 lead for Science
Kam Khan – Head of Religious Education
Bethany Stern – Curriculum lead for Design Technology
Nimet Misiri – DT technician
Maxine Gamal – Receptionist

Primary:

Su Wilson – class teacher
Liam Howley – class teacher
Fergus Newlands – class teacher
Shareen Ashiq – support teacher

Welcome to new staff

We welcome the following new members of staff to our 'GMS family' in September:

Secondary:

Adrian Barker - Teacher of Music
Amita Benedetti - Curriculum lead for English
John Farrant - Curriculum lead for Science
Columbine Saunders – 2nd in charge Science
Zanelle Placide - Curriculum lead for Design Technology
Charis Oursouzidou - Teacher of Geography
Noreen Nahuriira - Teacher of History
Sabrina Kameel – Religious education teacher
Adila Jan – Secondary Receptionist

Primary:

James Smith – Deputy Head teacher (secondment)
Samirah Ahmed - class teacher
Leanna Brown - class teacher
Anigun Boksh - class teacher
Nim Kimyani – class teacher

All through:

Matthew Farrow – Deputy Head teacher



Please find attached a copy of term dates, INSET days, school day timings and a reminder of our uniform expectations for September.

I would like to thank you all again for your continued support and wish all the school community a safe, restful and enjoyable summer. I look forward to seeing you all again in September.

Yours sincerely,



Miss Simmons
Head teacher

