Dear KS3 Parent/Carer,

It has been wonderful welcoming the students back to school and they have been really enthusiastic and positive on their return. We would like to welcome new parents and carers to the Beal community.

The aim of this KS3 newsletter is to keep you up to date with 'KS3 life at Beal' and to celebrate the achievements of our students. We really hope you enjoy our first KS3 newsletter and would like to thank you in advance for your support this year. Please do not hesitate to send us any good news or special achievements that your child has achieved outside of school, and we will make sure we include this in future newsletters.

## Reminders

#### **Breakfast Club**

We are offering a free breakfast from the upper site canteen to our students every morning from 8am – 8.25am. This began on Monday 11th September. All students are welcome and staff are in the canteen to supervise.

Students should not be entering the lower site before 8am in the mornings.

#### KS3 homework club

A reminder that our KS3 homework club runs in the library every day after school, from 3:15pm to 4:15pm. Additional activities are also on offer each day, including chess, board games, book club and Art. Please pop along!

#### Lanyards

As you already know, we have introduced lanyards for all year groups. Photo IDs will be distributed in the weeks to come. These lanyards will allow us to ensure quick identification of students across the school. Should your child require a new lanyard, they can be found on the ParentPay shop. The link for the shop can be found on the school website > Parent Information > ParentPay.

Year 7: Yellow Year 8: Purple Year 9: Turquoise Year 10: Pink

Year 11: Forest Green Year 12: Dark Blue Year 13: Grey

### Uniform

Uniform is something that is easy to get right but can cause issues in school. Please support the school by ensuring our children have their full uniform on when they leave home.

### Communication

The only way schools can be effective is through open and honest communication. Please do ensure you keep in contact with the school, via your child's Form Tutor in the first instance or your child's Head of Year. Should you have any concerns related to a specific subject, please contact your child's subject teacher or the Head of Department.

Best wishes,

Martyn Tubb – Vice Principal and Head of Lower School Jag Singh – Assistant Principal KS3 Joanna Okosun – Assistant Principal KS3 Elecia Williams – Head of Year 7 Sean Goss – Head of Year 8 Andrew Round – Head of Year 9

See below for a round up of news from each year group

## **News from Year Seven**

## Year 6 Open Evening

Four of our confident year 7 students spoke to a room of over 400 parents about our school. They wore their uniform with pride, discussing all the key things that helped them settle into Secondary school and joining our Beal family.

Aaron T, Amelia A, Aariya M and Arya S showed great leadership, organisation as well as resilience during their participation in this event. Well done.

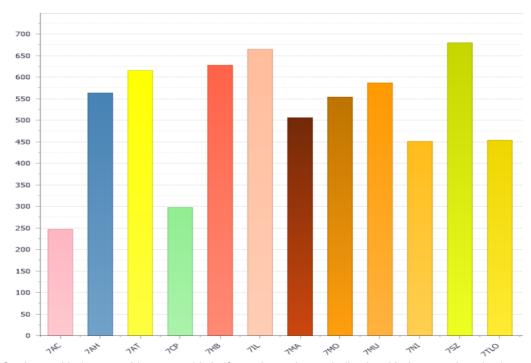
### Year 7 Honour Roll

The honour roll is a unique award solely for year 7 students. Any member of staff around the school can nominate students for positive behaviour, interactions, classwork, homework and effort. The following students have received the honour roll thus far.

Aaron T 7AT Ibrahim R 7AT Gouri P G 7SZ Abiha S 7SZ

## Top achievement points

The first half term for Year 7 has been a busy but wonderful experience. Students are trying new things, developing their learning and most of all, settling into the new routine of Secondary school. The Year 7 students are engaging in their lessons which is shown through the vast amount of achievement points which are being issued daily. The currently form leaderboard has **7SZ** in first place with 680 points, **7IL** in second place with 665 points and **7HB** in third place 628 points. Keep up the good work all.



Students with the top achievement this half term have shown dedication, kindness and motivation to achieve their best. Congratulations to Gouri 7SZ with 52 points, Abiha 7SZ with 48 points and Esa 7AT with 44 points. A great achievement with lot of competition to follow from their peers.

## **News from Year Eight**

- Y8 boys football team won 5-1 over Caterham
- The following students supported during partnership evening: Aliza 8KH, Brendan B 8MZ, Sharan S 8TE
- Student ambassadors have behaved well throughout the year, supporting reception
- Kyle P 8TE passing his Piano Grade 4 Exam with distinction
- Elizabeth V has already received 67 achievement points
- Year 8 have the most achievement points of all year groups

### **News from Year Nine**

## **Year 9 Prefect Team**

Last month we selected our year 9 Prefect team, recruiting Admin, Charity, Sports and Media reps. All applicants had to submit a short paragraph explain which role they were interested in and why they were suitable. The competition was fierce, so the decision making was not easy, but we have a great selection representing the year group.



# Year 9 Interform

We started the year off with a seriously competitive dodgeball competition spanning over four days. Each form group carefully selected their mixed team of 10 and discussed tactics before playing against each other. There was a great atmosphere in the sports hall as each team was cheered on by their forms and tutors. Well done to 9SO for winning the first competition. Can they keep the crown and stay in 1st place?



# Macmillan Bake Sale

On Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September, some of the Year 9 Charity reps and Year 11 Prefects organised the annual bake sale raising funds for Macmillan Cancer Support. There were cakes, biscuits, cookies and bakery delights for everyone to enjoy. In just one lunch time we raised £150. Well done to all who took part.

