From the Headmaster

It was good to see our pupils at local primary schools over the last week or so with a number of Year 10s helping out at Longlevens Infant School's sports' day with Mr O'Neill, and the Jazz Band playing at Longlevens Junior School's Summer Fair. Our pupils can be the very best ambassadors for Sir Thomas Rich's. It was also really good to welcome new Year 7s (currently in Year 6) join us for a day on Thursday – again older students in a number of year groups made them feel welcome.

Mobile phone policy

To clarify, students in Years 7 – 11 are allowed to bring their mobiles to school, but they must not be used at any time on the school site unless given permission by and under the direct supervision of a member of staff. Some students remain confused as to the rule, particularly in Years 7 and 8, and I would appreciate parents' support in reinforcing the message.

Last day of term 21 July

A quick reminder that the last day of term is Thursday 21 July, with school finishing at 12.45pm.

Bennetts Coaches on 21 July

Unfortunately, due to other commitments, Bennetts Coaches are unable to accommodate the early pick-up time on the last day of term, 21 July, so Bennetts' pick up will be at the usual time. Students will be supervised if they have to wait – further details will be provided nearer the time. We would advise that pupils travelling by Bennetts Coaches buy their lunch at break time or bring a packed lunch on the last day.

Sports' Night 7 July

A reminder that students in Years 7 8 and 9 are expected to attend Sports Night, along with competitors of field and track events in Years 7 to 12. The event starts at 4pm, and the expectation is that boys in Years 7,8 and 9 who are not participating in track and field events will be responsible for Form stalls in order to raise the profile of Sports' Evening and create an enjoyable festival atmosphere. I am grateful to the PTFA who are running a bar and bar-beque.

Summer Concert 8 July

Our annual Summer Concert takes place at 7.30pm on Friday 8 July in the school hall. As always, this will be a lovely way to showcase the richness of musical talent here at school. Please do come along and share in this summer evening of musical celebration. The performance starts at 7.30pm and we hope to enjoy refreshments in the Quad beforehand, weather allowing!

Book Summer Concert tickets

"Our Day Out" Drama Production 13-15 July

The summer Drama production is "Our Day Out" by Willy Russell, featuring students from across the year groups. The play takes place in the school hall and starts at 7pm.

Book Our Day Out tickets

I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible at the end of term events and wish you all a pleasant and relaxing weekend.

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