



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the new school year 2009-2010.

Exam Headlines

- "A" Levels Pass Rate **91%**
- 5+ A*-C GCSE (inc. English & Maths) **36%**
- 5 + A* - C GCSE **51%**
- YEAR 9 TA ON TARGET!
- "A" Levels Higher Grades A-C **Up +1% to 61%**
- 5 + A* - G GCSE **95% (15 years 90%+)**

Over the summer we enjoyed our best GCSE (Year 11) results ever!

5+A*-C	51%
5+A*-C (including English and Mathematics) (And there are still re-marks under consideration!)	36%
Also 5A*-G	95%

We were also very pleased with our A Level (Year 13) results – 91% pass rate (the 8th year we have achieved over 90%) and 61% best grades (A* - C) which was up 1% on last year.

Congratulations to all our pupils, teachers and of course you the parents for all your support.

On Thursday 24th September we have our **Annual Presentation Evening** to celebrate this success. I hope to welcome many of you on the evening. (Tickets only)

Please note there will be an Early Closure for pupils at 1.10pm.

CHANGES TO SENIOR STAFF

As you know we had a number of long serving members of staff retire at the end of the Summer Term.

May I take this opportunity to thank all parents and pupils who contributed so generously to the retirement gifts for:



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| Toby Hufford | Head Teacher – 20 years plus at Erith School and nearly 40 years in the teaching profession. |
| Anne Bonar | Deputy Head Teacher – 10 years at Erith School and 36 years in the teaching profession. |
| Dennis Bellamy | Assistant Head Teacher for 18 years and 33 years service at Erith School. |
| Irene Carpenter | Head of Curriculum Support Faculty for 19 years and 39 years in the teaching profession. |
| Mary Board | Head of the Drama Department for 5 years and 39 years in the teaching profession. |

They all really enjoyed their send off and are now getting used to not having to get up quite so early every morning!

THE NEW SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM IS:

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| • Headteacher | Mrs J Turner , BA(Hons),MA |
| • Deputy Headteacher | Mrs S Allen , B Ed(Hons). (Overall responsibility for oversight of Year 11 and Post 16 and Maths, Curriculum Support , PE and Modern Foreign Languages Faculties) |
| • Deputy Headteacher | Mr.S. Price-Whittle , B Ed. (Overall responsibility for oversight of Yrs.7 and 8 and Science, Creative Arts and Humanities Faculties) |
| • Deputy Headteacher | Mr J Sawyer B Ed(Hons). (Overall responsibility for oversight of Yrs.9 and 10 and English, Life Skills, Computing & Business and Design & Technology Faculties). |

ASSISTANT HEADTEACHERS (AH) / SENIOR ASSOCIATE (SA):

<u>Mrs. Allen's Team</u>		<u>Mr. Price-Whittle's Team</u>		<u>Mr Sawyer's Team</u>	
Mr S Bryce	AH	Mr D. Cook	AH	Mr K. Paterson	AH
Mr I. Woods	AH	Mr D Norman	AH	Mr T Harrison	AH
Mrs J. Mongon	AH			Mrs L Dixon	SA

BUSINESS MANAGER
Mrs I. Millar

Changes to the Head of Year staff are:

Heads of Year

Year 7	Mrs M. Giles
Year 8	Mr V. Carrott
Year 9	Miss C. Windsor
Year 10	Mrs A. Bryce
Year 11	Miss D. South
Post 16	Mr P. Brannigan (Acting Director of Post 16)

Deputy Heads of Year

Miss H. Miller
To be appointed
Miss R. Davidson
Mr R. Culley
Miss L Williams
Mrs M Taylor (Acting Deputy Director of Post 16)

Changes to Faculty Postholders are:

Heads of Faculty:

Creative Arts	Miss J Setchell (starting January 2010)
Curriculum Support	Mr A Fitzsimons
Humanities (Joint Heads of Faculty)	Mr P. Mealing / Mr Stopps
Modern Foreign Languages	Mr J.Y Delyfer

Heads of Department:

Citizenship/Sociology	Miss M Sparks
Drama	Mr G Kensit
ICT	Miss N Edwards



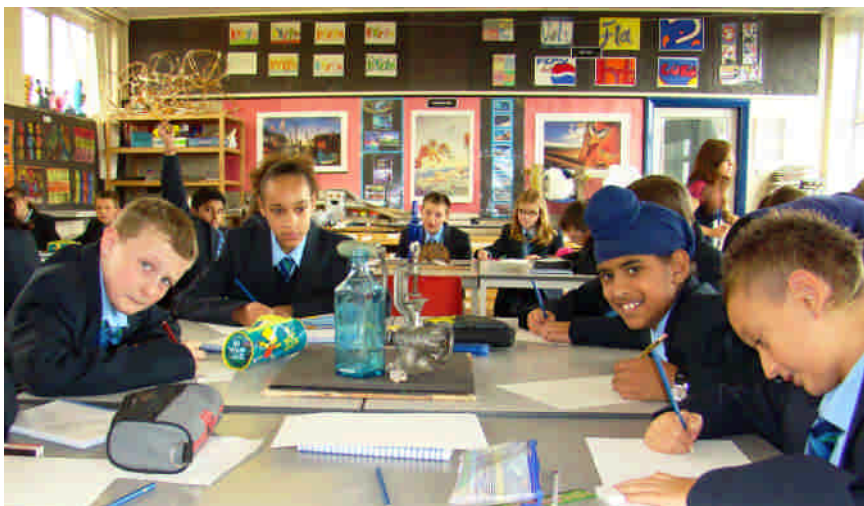
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please note that there was an error on the last Newsletter with regards to one of the Training Day dates. The date should have read **Tuesday 20th October 2009** and not November. I apologise for this error.

Please note that the full school calendar for 2009-2010 is on our website:

www.erith.kent.sch.uk

ERITH SCHOOL RECRUITMENT FOR YEAR 7 STARTING SEPTEMBER 2010



No sooner have the 'new' Year 7 started than recruitment starts for the next school year.

Please note:

Open Evening	Monday	5th October 2009	6.00pm- 8.45pm
			Headteacher's presentation 6.00pm and 7.30pm
Open Mornings	Wednesday	7th October 2009	9.00 – 11.00am
	Friday	9th October 2009	9.00 – 11.00am
			Headteacher's presentation 9.00am
			Last tour on both mornings at 10.15 am

If you have Year 6 sons or daughters wanting a place at Erith, please note our new details in the Bexley Admissions booklet and the Admissions Policy on our website.

We look forward to seeing you and the Year 6s during the recruitment period.

Apologies in advance for any additional traffic around the school on the Open Evening and the Open mornings: this is unavoidable.



FINALLY please continue to support the school by checking that uniform rules are followed and making sure that you son or daughter arrives in time every day ready for work.

We wish all our pupils a very successful year

**Mrs J Turner
Headteacher
September 2009**