

## **Year 7 Parent Notes**

Happy New Year to all of you. Hopefully you and your families have had a restful and relaxing Christmas break and are looking forward to the year ahead. We hope 2018 will be a great year for your son/daughter at Oxted School with excellent progress made. We are confident that with the right attitude they will experience a sense of pride about what they will be able to achieve in the coming months.

During assemblies this week Mrs Euridge spoke to each House about the importance of high standards and trying to follow the three R's: respect, responsibility and resilience. We would hope that every student in Year 7 is respectful and responsible for their actions and they are working on building their resilience through their work in lessons.

Your son/daughter may have made some resolutions already about getting involved more in enrichment activities and clubs, being more prepared for lessons, putting in extra effort into homework or generally pushing themselves more in their pursuit of their academic goals. If they have not made any resolutions for school, it is not too late to encourage them to try to get into better habits or continue the excellent habits they already have developed.

On the last day of the Autumn Term selected Year 7 students gathered during break time in the Old Hall to receive a commendation based on the grades. Students who had achieved an average Approach to Learning (ATL) of 1.5 or better received a certificate and a doughnut to say well done. Congratulations to all the students who received a commendation. The next opportunity to earn a commendation will take place after the next set of grades in March.

After February half term Year 7 will again be sitting summative assessments. More details will follow in the coming weeks.

Some students will have been sent updated timetables if there have been any changes to them to reflect a change of class or staff member. If there have been no changes to a student's timetable they will not have received a new timetable so please don't worry if your son/daughter has not received one.

The Maths Department are starting Maths Club on Wednesday lunchtimes taking place in Eden IT. There are two elements to the club, firstly to enrich and stretch student's knowledge in Maths and secondly to support students with any homework or classwork topics which they may be struggling with.

We are looking forward to a successful 2018. Have a good week.

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