

Head Teacher: Mr D.A Shield

Seaham High School Station Road

Deputy Head: Mr G.W Lumsdon Deputy Head: Mr J.E Henderson

18.7.18

Dear Parent/Carer,

I would like to take this opportunity to update you on a few changes for the new school year; -

## New Head Teacher

I am delighted to inform you that from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019, the new Head Teacher of Seaham High School will be Geoff Lumsdon who is currently our Deputy Head Teacher. I wish Mr. Lumsdon every success in his new appointment and hope that you will continue to support Mr. Lumsdon, as you have me, in this challenging role.

## First day of term

The start of term and next academic year will be Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018. All other key dates for the year ahead can be found on our website www.seahamhighschool.com. In recent years we have had a staggered start to the first day and this has been very successful. We will be doing the same this September and students should go to the main hall from the outside entrance, a few minutes before their start time. During this assembly we will be doing a full uniform check with particular reference to skirt length and tightness of trousers. The timings for each year group are as follows:-

Year 7 - 8.45

Year 8 - 9.10

Year 9 - 9.35

Year 10 - 10.40

Year 11 - 11.05

## Change to student breaks

As the school numbers continue to rise at such a rapid rate, next year it will not be possible to fit the whole school into the Dining Hall at the same time. Breaks will therefore have to be split for health and safety





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reasons. There is no perfect solution, so we will be trialing the following

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the start of term. Once we have an idea of how it is working (and the eating habits of our 242 Year 7 students are established),

we will carry out a review to see if any modifications are required. Years 7, 8 and 10 will break together and Year 9 with Year 11. The pattern of the day will be;-

8.45 - Movement Bell	8.45 – Movement Bell
8.50 - Registration	8.50 - Registration
8.30 - Registration	8.30 - Registration
9.05 - P1	9.05 - P1
10.05 - Brunch (Years 7, 8 and 10)	10.05 - P2
10.35 - P2	11.05 - Brunch (Years 9 and 11)
11.35 - P3	11.35 - P3
12.35 - Lunch (Years 7, 8 and 10)	12.35 - P4
1.05 - P4	1.35 - Lunch (Years 9 and 11)
2.05 - P5	2.05 - P5

And finally, I would like to wish you all a happy summer break.

Yours sincerely,

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