



# HEANOR GATE SCIENCE COLLEGE

“Develop all learners to achieve their full potential”  
“Create a culture of aspiration”

Principal: **Mr S Huntington**



December 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

We have finally made it to the end of what has been an extremely busy first term. Our students have risen to the increased challenges of Year 8, completed their first assessments and are well underway with their graduation portfolio.

Just a few reminders regarding ‘Standards and Expectations’ for all our students; this term we have seen the skirt lengths on some of our girls rising to well above knee length which is not acceptable and not within our uniform policy. Should any girls come to school in skirts which we feel are inappropriate they will be asked to change into a skirt from school. Whilst we appreciate the weather over the last couple of months has been a little wet to say the least, all students should still adhere to the uniform policy regarding footwear. Trainers and heavy boots are not allowed to be worn during the school day and students will be given alternative shoes to wear should they fail to conform. Finally we have noticed students wearing excess jewellery; a watch and single pair of stud earrings are all that is allowed. No bracelets or additional piercings. We ask that you continue to support us in ensuring your child conforms to our school dress policy and is proud to wear the Heanor Gate uniform.

Attendance for Year 8 continues to be high, with many students being acknowledged this week for their 100% attendance and we would like to see this continue until the end of the school year. Please can I ask that students are only kept off school for serious illness and that, wherever possible, when feeling under the weather they come into school and we accommodate them accordingly.

May I take this opportunity to thank you once again for your support to us as an Achievement Team and wish you all a Happy Christmas and Peaceful 2020.

Yours sincerely

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