

Newlands Girls' School

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Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back after what was hopefully a restful Easter break.

Firstly, we wanted to remind everyone that we have moved to Arbor! This is the platform that parents, carers and students will now use to access information and replaces EduLink. You should have received an email during the holiday which outlined the steps for logging in and setting up your new account. If you have not done so already, make sure you download the Arbor App and if you have any issues logging in, please contact the school office. We will be sharing more information about Arbor over the next two terms.

Before Easter I reminded all parents about our **Inspiring Futures** project. We appreciate all the support we get whether financial or giving up your time to help us improve our learning environment. I will send further reminders about the painting and decorating project closer to the summer but in the meantime if you feel able to donate to our fund, please click on this [link](#) which will take you directly to our mandate form. I also attach a flyer for your information.

As we begin a fresh term I have a few important reminders from me about school procedures, routines and standards.

Students should be wearing the correct uniform at all times. This includes the school blazer (this applies for the Sixth Form as well as the lower school) and trainers are not permitted. In Years 7-11 there is the option of a summer dress from Term 6 (after May half term) and this must be worn on the knee or below, so it might be wise to check dresses now in case of a growth spurt!

Arbor allows us to track punctuality more robustly and we will be recording 'minutes late' and addressing this with any students whose punctuality either in the mornings or to lessons is unsatisfactory. A reminder that the gates open at **8.25am** and students should be in their tutor rooms by **8.40am**.

As we head into the exams season there is much on offer to support the students in their preparation. The school website contains a wealth of information and for our GCSE students (both Year 10 and Year 11), access to relevant and bespoke revision advice can be found [here](#)

As we return to school and look ahead to warmer weather and spring on the horizon, there is, as always, so much going on at Newlands; from sporting competitions to leadership opportunities, new student led initiatives to inspirational teaching, I continue to feel very proud of all we do on a daily basis. I would like to thank you all for continuing to support us so positively. I look forward to seeing many of you at our Spring Concert next Thursday!

Best wishes

Miss Jo Capon
Headteacher



We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

