



Tavistock COLLEGE

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Dear parents and carer of year 8 students

Thank you as always for your support of Tavistock College. This comes across in many ways and we enjoy the relationship with the parents of our students.

We are entering a busy and enjoyable part of the school year. With the Easter holidays just about in sight and the lighter mornings and evenings everything seems to be a little easier. I hope, along with me you are enjoying some sunshine after the recent weeks of rain.

The year eight's continue to make themselves known in the college in a number of positive ways. They were specifically chosen by the local primary school to be an audience for the practice of their youth speaks message and the students in year eight were respectful and listened well. The 'Life of the School bag' was never so interesting! We have had a measure of success in decathlon, football, rugby and netball. One of our tutor groups have adopted a group of stick insects and they are being extremely well looked after. There are also many things your children get up to and achieve outside of school that it is wonderful to hear about.

The data drop you have been sent is a reminder of the main job here for the students and that is progress in their learning. Many of them are making great strides forwards in their learning. It is a pleasure as a HOY to be told by teachers how much they love teaching their year eights.

The option process has gone very well on the whole, we have had a few postponed interviews with staff due to needs arising elsewhere – but the students have played their part well and with you have taken the process seriously and with much careful consideration. We will build the curriculum around the option choices for the year group, most students will get the choices they have requested and we will know the outcomes in the first half of the summer term. Sometimes students do not get all of their choices, but I am able to say this affected very few of the students in my previous year group.

Please do contact me or you child's tutor if you need further information

Yours sincerely

Julie Greener HOY (8)

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