



June 2017

Dear Parent(s)/ Carer(s),

**Re: Learning Skills Days 28<sup>th</sup> June- 30<sup>th</sup> June: Year 8**

From 28<sup>th</sup> June to 30<sup>th</sup> June the school timetable will be suspended and students will be taught in department areas for whole days. Students will work on deep learning activities and develop aspects of the PiXL Edge programme of leadership, organisation, resilience, initiative and communication. Further details of this programme can be found at [www.pixl.org.uk/edge](http://www.pixl.org.uk/edge)

The programme for Year 8 will be as follows:

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June:** 'Orienteering' with the PE and Dance department. Students go on a trip to Box Hill for orienteering. Students not attending the trip will devise and create an orienteering course in school.

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June:** 'Expressive Arts Explosion' with the Art, Drama and Music departments. Students will take part and lead in artistic and creative activities and workshops including set production and making a mural.

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June:** 'Maths to the Edge' with the Maths department. Students will take part in a carousel of activities including origami and model production.

The timings of the school day will remain unaltered. Students need to come equipped for school, register as normal in the morning and will be expected to wear full school uniform as usual with the exception of Wednesday when it will be acceptable to wear PE kit to school. It is also advisable that students bring old clothes to work in on Thursday as some activities will involve paint.

Students will engage in discussions in Tutor Time to promote reflection on their learning and evaluation of their learning experiences.

Yours sincerely,

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