

Headteacher - Ms E Ellis BA, MA

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Dear parents and carers

I am writing to update you on some key developments taking place in school over the next few weeks, and to remind you of some key dates. Firstly, I am delighted to report that a record number of Year 6 students have selected Fearnhill as their first choice of secondary school and we look forward to welcoming more than 120 students into Year 7 in September. We also had a visit from an experienced inspector last week who was pleased with the work he saw across the school.

Coming back from Covid

Life is now coming back to 'normal' at school and we have been working on refreshing everyone's memories about expectations for uniform and behaviour at Fearnhill. This week all students in Years 7-11 are having a presentation reminding them of the basics. Thank you for your support on the return of full uniform at all times except PE lessons; we are now reminding everyone that students need to:

- Wear their uniform correctly.
- Arrive punctually to lessons fully equipped.
- Move around the school safely and calmly.

We are also returning to the pre-Covid detention arrangements, so an L1 detention will be for 30 minutes and an L2 will be 45 minutes. We will also be returning to the rule that food bought in the canteen must be eaten there. Students can eat their packed lunch in the canteen or outside. These rules are designed to ensure everyone can learn in a safe, clean and orderly environment. The changes will take effect from **Monday 14th March.**

Comic Relief at Fearnhill - Friday 18th March

Next Friday, 18th March, is Comic Relief Day and it will be a non-uniform day for students. We are asking for a £1 donation from each student. There will be various other fundraising activities taking place during the day. You can find out more about the work of Comic Relief at https://www.comicrelief.com/what-your-money-does. We are very aware of the current international situation and keen to support students and staff in a show of solidarity with the people of Ukraine. Thank you for your generosity.

Fearnfile

We are currently between editors of Fearnfile and our new colleague, Ann Lynn, will be putting together an edition in a week or so as she settles in to her role. There is plenty to report!

Dates for your diary

This term will end on **Friday 1st April** and it will be a half day, **finishing at 12.00 noon**. The summer term will begin on **Tuesday 19th April at 8.30am**.

Thank you as always for your support; do not hesitate to get in touch via email to admin@fearnhill.herts.sch.uk with any questions.

Yours faithfully

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