



# Year 7 Newsletter

September 2011

## WELCOME NEWSLETTER

Dear Parent/Guardian

I very much hope that you have had a pleasant summer break. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate and officially welcome all Year 7 students to Bexley Grammar School. After meeting the year group during the taster day in July I was very impressed by the way the students settled and very much look forward to working with them in their first term. Year 7 is a crucial year in the schooling of your child and it is very important that all students make a smooth transition into their secondary school as quickly as possible.

It is an exciting and challenging year for the students, full of new opportunities and the year team will support and develop your child to ensure they reach their potential. To support the pursuit to success we must ensure that we continue to work together, as mentioned in my first meeting with you. By doing this we can always strive for high levels of achievement. I look forward to working with both you and your son/daughter in our journey towards this common goal throughout their career at Bexley Grammar School.

I would like to remind you about two important dates for your diary: the Year 7 Parents' Evening with Tutors which will be held on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September and the PA Year 7 BBQ on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September.

Finally, I wish all Year 7 pupils a successful and happy first term at Bexley Grammar School. If you have any queries, please view the school website or feel free to contact your son's/daughter's Form Tutor for further information.

Yours sincerely

**A Pullen**  
**Director of Studies, Year 7**

## HELPFUL REMINDERS

- The weekly newsletter will be available via parentmail every Friday or alternatively on the school website [www.bexleygs.co.uk](http://www.bexleygs.co.uk). This will enable you to see the excellent opportunities that we offer at Bexley Grammar School across the whole school. Hard copies of the newsletter are available at Reception.
- To add money onto the lunch account for your son/daughter you will need to access your account through [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com). If there are any problems, you can contact the Finance Office.
- School planners have been issued so pupils, parents and the school can keep up to date with pupil progress.
- Please can I remind your son/daughter that they must have a padlock on their locker. Spare keys may be given to Form Tutors.
- The Year 7 Diploma helps pupils to adhere to coursework deadlines. The Diploma will support the development of your child as a whole person both academically and socially. This is a fantastic opportunity to encourage your son/daughter to become involved in school life at Bexley Grammar School through the House system, Form responsibilities and extra-curricular clubs.
- Your son/daughter will be receiving a 'Fixtures Health and Consent Form' from the PE department. Please can you ensure that this is signed and returned. Any other outstanding forms must also be completed and returned to the School Office for our school records as a part of health and safety within the school.

## INTRODUCING THE YEAR 7 TEAM

### Director of Studies

Mr A Pullen

### Senior Academic Mentor

Mr M Ward

### Form Tutors

Mr Auckland	7SMA
Ms Harris	7RAH
Mrs Lasoye	7MYL
Miss Macadam	7EFM
Miss Peters	7LJP
Miss Woodcock	7CJW