



# BRENTFORD SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

## BRENTFORD 6<sup>th</sup> FORM

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back to another academic year at Brentford School for Girls and I hope your daughter has had a smooth start to the beginning of Year 11. I would like to congratulate the year group on their fantastic GCSE English Literature results, and I hope that this year, they continue to show the same motivation and commitment that they displayed prior to sitting these exams in Year 10. The year ahead is going to be an incredibly busy year for your daughter, and she is going to have to continue to work extremely hard between now and May to prepare for her GCSE examinations. Below I have included important information, reminders and key dates to help you support your daughter in the year ahead.

A key priority, for both the school and year group this year, is to further improve our levels of attendance and punctuality. Students should be aiming for above 95% attendance and should be on time to school and lessons each day. It is important that students are here every day so that they do not miss out on any learning in this crucial year. In the instance of your daughter being unwell or unable to attend school for any reason, please ensure that the school is informed to prevent any unauthorised absences and that she catches up on any work missed in her absence.

I expect every pupil to make and maintain a positive start to the academic year, ensuring they make the most of the educational opportunities offered to them. Excellent behaviour is vital to ensure outstanding learning opportunities for all pupils. Your daughter is expected to follow the behaviour policy as outlined in her journal. Failure to follow the school policy will not be tolerated.

It is widely acknowledged that students benefit greatly from continuing their learning at home. Within Key Stage 4, a homework policy is in place where students are set regular, relevant work which may include a variety of learning opportunities such as written work, research, presentations, designing and planning, etc. Your daughter is also expected to follow a revision programme. We ask that you encourage your daughter to spend at least two hours per evening on schoolwork, if possible, in a quiet area where she is able to give this her full attention. If pupils have not been set a specific home learning task, there is always the opportunity to be revising past topics.

All students have been issued with a new journal and your daughter should be using this for recording homework and important messages. Please support her by checking and signing this each week, and feel free to write any relevant comments or messages. It is essential that this is brought to school every day along with all of the essential equipment listed in the journal (and kit if relevant) for the day. Failure to bring any piece of equipment will result in a 30-minute detention being issued for the following day.

Please see a list of key dates below and the contact details for your daughter's tutor. We look forward to seeing you on the 19<sup>th</sup> September at our 'Welcome to Year 11' evening from 6-7pm in the main school hall.

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Key dates for Autumn Term

<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Welcome to Year 11 Evening 6-7pm</b>
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>School photographs</b>
<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October</b>	<b>INSET day school closed (only Y7 students in for CATS testing)</b>
<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Year 11 PPEs begin</b>
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Half term holiday</b>
<b>Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Return to school</b>
<b>Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>German /French speaking PPE exams</b>
<b>Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October</b>	<b>German /French speaking PPE exams</b>
<b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Form Open Evening</b>
<b>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Occasional Day - school closed</b>
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Year 11 Parents' Evening</b>
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>End of the Autumn term- Students dismissed at 12:30pm</b>

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Yours faithfully,

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