



# Plymouth High School for Girls

*"For life, not school, we learn"*

28<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I do hope this finds you well and that you had a relaxing and enjoyable Easter break.

I am pleased to report that the library was redecorated over the Easter break in readiness for its conversion to become the new sixth form study space. We continue to meet with young people who are eager to join our sixth form in September and I know they will enjoy the new high quality and much improved study environment for their A level learning. Designing and planning for the new library in the current sixth form common room is underway and we expect to open the new library in time for the September intake.

We will be running the 11+ practice assessment on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June, and whilst booking only opened on Monday of this week, places are filling up quickly. Anyone interested in securing a place for the practice 11+ assessment should head to our website [here](#) for details on how to register.

This week has been one of our Quality Assurance weeks and we have been delighted to welcome thinking, teaching and learning experts from our Trust to work with us. We have been visiting lessons across the school and talking with teachers about how they help their students to enjoy their learning as well as ensuring they make the best possible academic progress. Trust colleagues joined us for an after school training session on Socratic questioning which teachers found interesting and engaging. Staff will be engaged in further Trust wide training on June 22<sup>nd</sup> 2022. This will follow a similar pattern to our March training where students will finish school at 1.15pm and teachers will set online work for the period 5 lesson. Unfortunately, we are unable to rearrange any after school transport for this day. If you would like your child to stay in school beyond the closing time of 1.15pm on 22<sup>nd</sup> June, please contact your child's Head of Year. Students will be expected to complete the online work at home.

The gym and dance festival was a real hit and we very much look forward to the music festival at the end of the summer term. The festival will take place on the last day of term, Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July, and students will finish school at 1.30pm on that day. Students **will be able to catch their normal DHSB contract bus on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>**





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**July** as these buses will run earlier to take into account our earlier finish time on that day.

We will be marking the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with activities in school, details have been shared with students this week.

Please note that our school telephone number changed when we joined the Trust last year. There is no longer a redirection on the '01752' number. Please ensure that you use the new school number 033 33 602230, when calling into the school.

I wish you a happy and relaxing bank holiday weekend.

Best wishes,

**Simon Underdown.**  
**Headteacher.**

