

December 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Changes to Heads of Year (Years 7 and 8) from January 2023

We are writing to you to inform you of a change to the Heads of Year for Years 7 and 8, which will take effect from January 2023. Whilst we are very sad to see Ms Egan and Mrs Djogo leaving these roles, we wish to say a huge thank you to them both for all they have done in their leadership of Key Stage Three and the support they have given to our students. We wish them every success in their new roles at The Weald.

We have the pleasure of introducing you to Miss McCaughan and Mr Brixey, our new Heads of Years 7 and 8 respectively. Students are being informed in due course, but as we have exams in our assembly venues until the end of term, we will be holding our handover year group assemblies in January.

Year 7

Message from Ms Egan

"I am writing to wish you a fond farewell. It has been an absolute privilege getting to know and supporting Year 7 students through their transition from primary school into our Weald community. They have settled into secondary school life with enthusiasm: joining clubs, engaging in their learning with curiosity and enjoying all the new opportunities available to them. I look forward to continuing to support the learning of many of our Year 7 students through my ongoing work with transition and as a subject teacher. I wish all of our Year 7 students well and thank you for your continuing support for the school."

Message from Miss McCaughan

"I joined The Weald community in 2013 and I am currently Assistant Subject Leader for Physical Education and lead the Sixth Form Super-Curricular Programme. I am very excited to step into the role of Head of Year as your children start their journey here at The Weald. I thoroughly enjoyed spending time with them during year 7 enrichment day recently and look forward to supporting and guiding them through the next 5 years of their education."

Year 8

Message from Mrs Djogo

"It is with regret that I inform you that from January 2023 I will be stepping down as Head of Year 8. It has been wonderful to get to know the students and I have no doubt that they will continue to be an enthusiastic and curious year group. I wish them the best for their future studies and look forward to continuing to teach many of them in their language lessons."

Message from Mr Brixey

"I am delighted to be taking up the role of Head of Year 8 at The Weald. I have been a History Teacher for 18 years and held leadership posts in a number of schools, including The Weald, so have lots of experience of doing similar jobs well. I have heard great things about your children from Mrs Djogo. She and I will work together to ensure a smooth transition for them and you. Choosing GCSE options and becoming a teenager are big steps for young people and families and I look forward to working with you to support your children through these milestones over the next few years."

I know that Miss McCaughan and Mr Brixey are both looking forward to getting to know their new year groups as we move forwards into the Spring Term and to working closely, in partnership, with yourselves, to ensure that your child receives the academic support and challenge they need to succeed in Key Stage Three and beyond.

Yours faithfully,



Miss Aja Cortizo

Deputy Headteacher (Line Manager of Year 7)



Mr Andrew Mowforth

Assistant Headteacher (Line Manager of Year 8)