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Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back to the new academic year.

### **GCSE Results 2019**

We have so much to celebrate! You may have seen the very positive press coverage of our GCSE results in the Newham Recorder. 69% of students gained a 9-4 (A\*- C) in English, 67% in maths (with more than a quarter achieving 7-9, A\*/A), 100% in further maths, 67% in statistics, 100% in biology, chemistry and physics, 68% in computer science, 68% in sociology, 78% in RE, 65% in geography, 74% in PE and 86% in Russian.

Our highest attaining students were **Luqman Thakor, Jibriel Yahya & Mudassir Ahmad** who between the three of them gained an impressive 39 GCSEs, of which 34 were graded # (7-9).

It was not just Year 11 who celebrated. 28 Year 10 boys took further maths and all passed with A\*- C grades. Many students from Years 7 to 10 took GCSEs in a variety of languages including Bengali, Italian, Polish and Spanish. They all achieved 5+ including many grade 8s and 9s.

### **International Award, 2019 - 2022**

Rokeby is delighted to have achieved reaccreditation for the British Council's prestigious International School Award in recognition of our outward looking and inclusive ethos. The award celebrates schools that do exceptional work in international education. The assessors highlighted that our international approach is very much at the heart of our work and that our links with higher education institutions and the world of work are a very powerful way of developing aspirations in today's global context. We are looking forward to further developing our collaborative partnerships with schools in Cambodia, Ghana and Europe and continuing with our excellent curriculum programmes and local community partnerships. Look out for further updates in the Rokeby Recorder and on our website.

### **Keep up to date with all news and forthcoming events**

Lots of important information such as term dates, events, uniform details and curriculum booklets can be found on the Rokeby website and in our weekly newsletter, the 'Rokeby Recorder'. You can visit the website at [www.rokeby.newham.sch.uk](http://www.rokeby.newham.sch.uk)

### **Help your son to achieve**

Please do not book holidays during term time or medical/dental appointments during the school day. There is a proven link between good attendance and academic achievement. The three boys who achieved the highest results at GCSE this year all had over 95% attendance in Year 11. Every lesson that a student misses will impact upon his progress at school.





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### Parents' meetings

Please find enclosed our Parents' Calendar for this half term, which details all our meetings and events for parents and carers. There are plenty of opportunities for you to pop into school, to with meet staff and to raise any queries or concerns. This half term we're offering coffee mornings as well as opportunities for our new Year 7 parents to come in and get to know the school. Our drop-in information sessions will cover topics such as e-safety, understanding your son's progress and supporting his independent learning. In addition, our 8-week parenting programme, which we run in partnership with Newham's Headstart, will start on Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> September. For more information on any of the above, please contact Ms Henderson.

### Free School Meals

Have you applied for free school meals? Applications are very simple and are made online at <https://www.newham.gov.uk/Pages/Services/Free-school-meals.aspx> You may be eligible if you claim benefits or child tax credit. If you need help making an application, you can pop into school at any time and ask for Ms Henderson, Ms Abdulkadir or Ms Fashola. You will need to bring your National Insurance number.

### Finally...

Just a reminder: all students should be wearing black formal shoes for school; trainers should only be worn for PE and at break times for playing sport. Blazers, jumpers, ties and PE kit are all available to buy from reception.

### Dates for this half term

Year 7 Meet the tutors – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September, 4.00 to 6.00 pm  
Year 6 Open Morning – Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 10.00 to 12.00 pm  
Year 10 Information evening - Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 4.00 to 6.00 pm  
Year 11 Information evening - Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October, 4.00 to 6.00 pm  
Half term - Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October to Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October

Thank you for your continued support and I look forward to working with you over the course of this academic year.

Yours faithfully,

Charlotte Robinson,  
Headteacher

