

24 June 2011

Dear Parents/Carers

New Intake Day: Thursday 30th June 2011

I write to confirm that although there is industrial strike action being taken by the NUT and ATL teachers' unions on Thursday 30th June 2011, The Grange will be open and the New Intake Induction Day will take place as planned, including the Parents' Evening starting at 7.00 pm in the Music Hall.

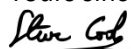
The programme for the day will follow the outline already sent to parents/carers of our new intake and will start in the Music Hall at 8.30 am. The day finishes at 2.25 pm when the new intake students can be collected from the front of the school. If they are being collected by an older brother or sister (whose year group is in school on Thursday) then the new intake students will remain in the Main Hall until 2.40 pm which is the normal finish time on a Thursday.

In addition to Thursday's Induction Day we will be running a Family Learning Event called 'Enjoy and Achieve' on the evening of **Wednesday 31st August 2011 between 5.00 and 8.00 pm**. This is a new development and is aimed at giving parents/carers and students the opportunity to sample some of the types of lessons that will be taught during Year 7 and experience some of the sport and other enrichment activities that we offer at The Grange. The programme for the evening is outlined below and further details will be given at the Parents' Evening on Thursday and by a separate letter before the end of the school year (22nd July 2011).

- 'Enjoy and Achieve' event for new intake students and parents/carers, 5.00-8.00 pm on 31st August 2011
- Parents/Carers will be able to visit and sample a range of lessons to give you a better idea of the type of learning that your son/daughter will experience in Year 7 and beyond
- Students will be able to experience a range of sports activities and other enrichment activities whilst their parents/carers are visiting sample lessons
- A buffet will be provided for all students, parents/carers and staff
- The Parent Teacher Association will be present to support this event
- There is no charge to parents/carers for any aspect of this event – the school is providing this as part of our new Family Learning programme

The aim is to provide information and guidance on many aspects of learning that our new Year 7 students and their parents/carers will experience next year. I hope you will be able to join us on Wednesday 31st August 2011.

Yours sincerely



Steve Cook

Headteacher