



29 August 2014

**RE SUCCEEDING AT IB: A PARENT INFORMATION EVENING FOR YEAR 12
AND 13 PARENTS**

Dear IB Parents,

It has been a real pleasure to welcome your sons and daughters into the IB Academy at the start of term. It has been a busy first two weeks, getting year 12 students settled into their new courses and making sure that year 13 students get started on managing their increasing workload as extended essay and internal assessment deadlines are coming up.

The partnership between home and school in supporting the students is very important. You may have seen our 'Succeeding at IB' event in the calendar on the school website. It takes place on Wednesday 10 September, starting at 6:30pm in the Auditorium. Refreshments will be available in the foyer from 6:00pm. This event is designed to help parents to understand more fully what the IB diploma course involves, what the key dates and deadlines are, how IB leads on to university, what parents can do to help and what support is available at school. There will also be plenty of opportunities to ask questions. I very much hope that you will be able to attend.

I would also like to take this opportunity to give advance notice of the year 13 Student-Parent-Teacher conference which takes place on Tuesday 16 September, from 4:00pm-7:00pm. This provides a valuable opportunity for students and their parents to meet with individual subject teachers. There is a similar event for year 12 on Thursday 16 October. Your sons and daughters will bring home more information and make appointments with teachers nearer the time.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on Monday and to continuing to work with you to support your sons and daughters through this important stage in their education.

With all best wishes,

Jane White
Head of the IB Academy