

September 2016

Dear Parent/Carer

Y8 'Learning at Heanor Gate' evening - *Tuesday 13 September 2016 - Main School Hall, 6-7pm*

It is with great pleasure that I write to you, welcoming your son/daughter into Year 8 at Heanor Gate Science College.

As I am sure you are aware, this is an important year for our students as they develop themselves as learners in preparation for beginning some of their GCSE courses next year. Our aim this year is to ensure that all our learners are 'GCSE ready' by the end of Year 8. As such, I would welcome you to join me and the Year 8 Achievement Team this coming Tuesday, 13 September, for a short overview of what is in store for our young people over the year ahead. As a brief overview of the evening we will cover:

- HGSC vision
- Curriculum coverage - what they will be learning
- How to be an effective learner
- Expectations of HGSC, the students and their parents/carers
- Enrichment and Rewards
- 'Show My Homework' - the schools new interactive study planner

During the session there will also be the opportunity to talk to your child's personal tutor as well as others from the Achievement Team.

I appreciate we are only very early on in the academic year, but the collaboration between school and home has never been more important. By working in partnership, your children can be supported to achieve their absolute potential.

If you have any queries or concerns over the evening then please contact your son/daughter's personal tutor.

I look forward to meeting you next week.

Yours sincerely



Mr M Tyler
Achievement Leader Year 8