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**A warm welcome back to all pupils and parents of BS. As always, the beginning of the year is a busy time for the School. Pupils returned on Tuesday and we were delighted to welcome 80 Year 7s to BS. Numbers in Sixth Form have also risen and we also extend a warm welcome to students who have joined us in other year groups. There is a palpable feeling of energy and positivity radiating from the students which has been commented on by several parents.**

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## **Examination results**

August saw the release of GCSE and A Level results. Our GCSE students achieved an excellent 98% pass rate. This is an even better performance than that achieved in the year prior. Our first sizeable cohort of Sixth Form students also graduated this year and by coincidence also produced a 98% pass rate! Each student has gained a place of their choice in leading universities in the UK or Canada. Well done to all students. While overall pass rates grab headlines, parents, teachers and pupils are very aware of the individual efforts and successes that lie behind such statistics.

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## **Development of the School**

The summer break has been a busy period of building at BS. The front gate security gates have

## **Uniform**

At the start of a new year a few students have needed reminder about the standards of uniform expected of them. Please check your child's homework diary for any concerns that their form tutor may have raised.

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## **Pupil Medical Questionnaires**

**At the start of the new year can I remind all parents of the importance of the school holding accurate and current medical information for each pupil. If your child has recently joined school, I ask that the medical questionnaire form is submitted as soon as possible. For pupils whose parents have previously submitted medical forms please support our nursing team by updating them on any relevant changes**

## **Meeting with the Principal**

**I am available to meet with any parent**

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