

# Gartree High School

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Dear parents and carers,

What a wonderful sunny week it has been for us all. The Year 9s have had their end of year exams this week. Fortunately, our sports hall (exams hall) has been a cool environment for them to work in. Some classrooms have been warm – we do all we can to keep the learning environment comfortable. However, this week the afternoon temperatures have been particularly high! Last Thursday evening we had a fantastic ADT exhibition. This was a celebration of students' work from across the ADT disciplines. It was a pleasure for me to see the excellent standard of creative work and the skills our young people have. Thank you to all the parents and students who joined us for this memorable evening.

You have an opportunity to join us on Tuesday for our Sports Day activities, starting at 10.10 am. Please refer to the recent letter for timings of year group activities. The weather looks good, so please join us if you can. Please could students bring a water bottle to help them to stay hydrated throughout the day. Next week, we also have our summer concert on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July starting at 6.00 pm.

A group of Year 8 girls have been taking part in the GALS programme. It was led by the Leicestershire school sports partnership and consisted of 6 weeks of dance, 2 weeks of yoga and 4 weeks of health and nutrition sessions. The girls made brilliant progress on the course, and learnt more about physical activity and health along the way. The programme concluded with GALS day, held at Enderby Leisure centre. The day finished with an inspirational talk from a successful female kickboxer who has overcome many challenges to get where she is today.

On Tuesday, a group of Year 7 students travelled to the Fischer County Ground on Grace Road to watch England Lions take on India A. There were plenty of IPL stars on show. On a perfect day for cricket, England were well beaten by a strong Indian side. The students loved the experience of seeing some of the world's best players. There were plenty of autographs collected from all the stars on show!

Our Leicester Tigers rugby coach, Joe, continues to work with our year 8 boys and girls. The enthusiasm of all the students has been wonderful. If any student would like to join a local rugby side, please see a member of the PE staff and we'll be able to provide you with details.

Students' annual reports for Years 7 and 8 are currently being prepared. All year groups will receive grade reports by the end of term. I hope to see you at one of our events next week.

Have a great weekend.

Yours sincerely,



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