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### TYNECASTLE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to update you on events this month, since the change of timetable on 5 June, as well as to share the arrangements for the end of term and next session.

Just some of the highlights from this month include:

#### School Show

Our performance of Frozen this year was a sell-out over two evenings with a matinee for our Primary 7 pupils too. As I said at the time, it always seems impossible, but our young people just get better and better. It must be those amazing Drama, Music and Dance teachers helping to create such talented young people. The performances were amazing, and we are all looking forward to two shows next year. Watch this space.

#### Prom

This month has also been one of endings and beginnings. Our Prom was a delight, and we were well looked after by Tynecastle Park. Even more enjoyable was our first ever Pre-Prom with young people, families, and staff in attendance to wish all our fantastic S6 students the very best for their journey ahead.

### P7 3 Day Visit

At the other end of the school, we were delighted to meet our Primary 7 pupils all together. As the largest year group to start at the school they look set to be one of the best too. We very much look forward to them starting with us properly in August.

# Taiwan Trip

Our staff and students returned from an amazing trip to Taiwan at the weekend supported by SWIRE. A life changing experience for these students, we are just beginning to hear about their fantastic adventure, the impact of this and the plans for sharing their learning with our school community.

## Culture Day

Yesterday saw our first ever Culture Day here at school. With over 40 different languages spoken across our community the day was a delight – a fashion show,

quizzes, flags, food, and lots of fun. Our young people did us very proud with this celebration which is just another great example of Student Voice in action.

## **House Captains and Tynecastle Prefects**

And talking of Student Voice, we were delighted to appoint our House Captains yesterday. It was an exceptionally difficult process this year with outstanding candidates from every House and our new voting system.

It is huge congratulations to:

- Braemar Lena Blotnicka and Rory Magee
- Dunvegan Eric Cheng and Ella Walls
- Tantallon Rory Allan and Brendan Brown

Due to the high standard of all the candidates, we are also appointing Tynecastle Prefects who will take a student leadership role in the school. Another first and a sign of the exciting times ahead.

### **End of Term and Next Session**

Tomorrow, Wednesday 28 June, is our end of term. Classes will finish at 12.05pm and lunch will be available until 1.00pm when the school will close. Students return on Wednesday 16 August at 8.25am.

Lastly, I would just like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support and wish you and your families the loveliest of summers. I am sure that the good weather will return at some point and really do hope that you have the opportunity to enjoy it.

Yours sincerely,



Hazel Kinnear Head Teacher