

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope you are all well and have had some valuable family time over the summer break. After a restful break, we are all back and preparing for the return of our students. Whilst it's been a hive of activity over the last couple of weeks at Park House, there is no replacement for having the corridors and classrooms buzzing with our students. We are all looking forward to welcoming students and parents back to school.

Our induction process is multi-faceted and begins with welcoming our new staff into Qatar. Mrs Hilton, Mr Perry and I all go to the airport to meet the new staff and settle them into their new homes. We then spend time ensuring they are fully introduced to life in Qatar and gain a good understanding of Park House. Our retention was excellent last year and we welcomed only 9 new staff members. During the last couple of weeks, we have been working hard to prepare the school for the start of term. We also welcomed members of the ISP regional team.

Part of the crucial work we do at this time of year is to support our students who have received their IGCSE and A-Level results. I experienced this as a principal and a parent this year as my son has completed his IGCSE studies. The results we received this year were exceptionally strong. In IGCSE, our students received a remarkable 17% at grade 9 (A*) and 60% at grades 9-7 (A*-A). Our A-Level results were similarly impressive with 1 in 5 of our A-Level results at A*. The vast majority of our students' achieved positions at their university of choice for the next academic year. This includes 3 students who secured a place at the highly prestigious Weill Cornell Medical School here in Qatar which is a notoriously challenging place to gain acceptance to. These results further cement Park House as a school of choice for high academic standards, with a legacy of excellent results. I offer my sincere congratulations to all our students and teachers (and the parents who supported them).

I hope you enjoy the weekend and I look forward to seeing you all next week.

Yours sincerely,



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