



May 2019

Dear Parents/Guardians

**Re: Years 7-10 Rugby Pre-Season; Wednesday 28 August – Friday 30 August 2019**

I would like to extend an invitation to your son to attend pre-season rugby training on the below dates.

Pre-season is open to every student even if you have not played before. Although not compulsory, we would hope that students can make each session, however, we are aware that situations arise whereby students are unable to attend. If you are unable to make some of the sessions please can you contact me via [o.cobbe@newhallschool.co.uk](mailto:o.cobbe@newhallschool.co.uk) so I can let the member of staff in charge of the team know.

The aim of pre-season is for players to get used to their new coach, players and possibly a new style of play. Training will include all aspects of rugby and will be organised as such so that boys who have little or no experience of contact will have a chance to develop their skills in this area with boys of a similar ability to them.

**U14 A/B/C and U15 A/B (Years 9 & 10, 2019-20)**

- Wednesday 28 August 2019 (9.00am-12.30pm)
- Thursday 29 August 2019 (9.00am-12.30pm)
- Sunday 1 September 2019: possible Pre-season Tournament at St. Albans
- Tuesday 3 September 2019 (4.30pm-5.30pm)
- Thursday 5 September 2019 (after school training U14s only).
- Saturday 7 September 2019: Fixtures v The Perse

**U12 A/B/C/D and U13 A/B/C/D (Years 7 & 8, 2019-20)**

- Thursday 29 August 2019 (1.00pm-4.00pm).  
*The boys should bring a snack and water for the mid-afternoon break.*
- Friday 30 August 2019 (9.00am-12.00pm)  
*The boys should bring a snack and water for the mid-morning break.*
- Saturday 7 September 2019 Fixtures v The Perse (U13A&B only)

*Please ensure your son arrives 15 minutes prior to the start time.*

On Thursday 29 August 2019 at 1.00pm I will be hosting a parents' presentation about our coaching programme at New Hall and what you and your son can expect from us throughout the coming year. All parents/guardians are welcome to attend this presentation in the Jubilee

Hall where there will also be refreshments available. This will provide a great opportunity for me to meet all new parents, and answer any questions you may have.

For further information on fixtures and kick off times for the year please visit [www.newhallschoolsport.co.uk](http://www.newhallschoolsport.co.uk). Due to the number of teams we field and calibre of schools we play, we rely on each student's full commitment in competing in these fixtures. Can I ask that staff in charge of the teams are given as much notice as possible if your son is unable to play in a fixture and also copy this request to myself.

I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable summer and are as excited about the upcoming season as I am.

If you have any questions, please do get in contact with me via [o.cobbe@newhallschool.co.uk](mailto:o.cobbe@newhallschool.co.uk).

Yours sincerely

Mr Owen Cobbe  
**DIRECTOR OF BOYS' SPORT**