

Dear Parent / Carer,

As you know we had our third successive year of best ever results at RCCS this summer. I am pleased that the detailed performance analysis we have completed now that further data is available confirms that we are continuing to do well when our performance is compared to similar schools. We are certainly not complacent however and we're striving harder than ever to get the best from our current pupils. We're hoping for a fourth year record in 2015!



I think most parents know our main means of communication with you these days is via the internet and social media. This is the first 'traditional' letter you'll have received from me this year, but there is a weekly blog as well as regular updates on Twitter and Facebook. You can find all the necessary links on our main website, [www.risca.org.uk](http://www.risca.org.uk) I am delighted



people have bought into this, not least because it doesn't cost us a penny and means we can spend funds on things other than glossy brochures and newsletters. We have recently been posting about marking our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in a big way in 2017, and I have been really pleased with the interest this has generated from former pupils and staff as well as current ones. Please do have a look at our various websites, they are all optimised for mobile devices, tablets and PCs so access is very simple. If anyone would like training or advice on using social media or indeed the internet in general please let us know and we can help.

Finally, a reminder that our Christmas Concert takes place at Moriah Church on 10<sup>th</sup> December. Y11 have mock exams at the end of term, the rest of the school will be engaged in skills activities in the final week and pupils will learn more about the arrangements shortly. Term ends for pupils at 3pm on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December, with the final two days of that week being given over to staff training. Term resumes for all on Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> January 2015, when we will be officially welcoming our new Assistant Headteacher, Mr Oliver, to RCCS.

May I take this opportunity to wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'J. Kendall'.

Head Teacher / Prifathro

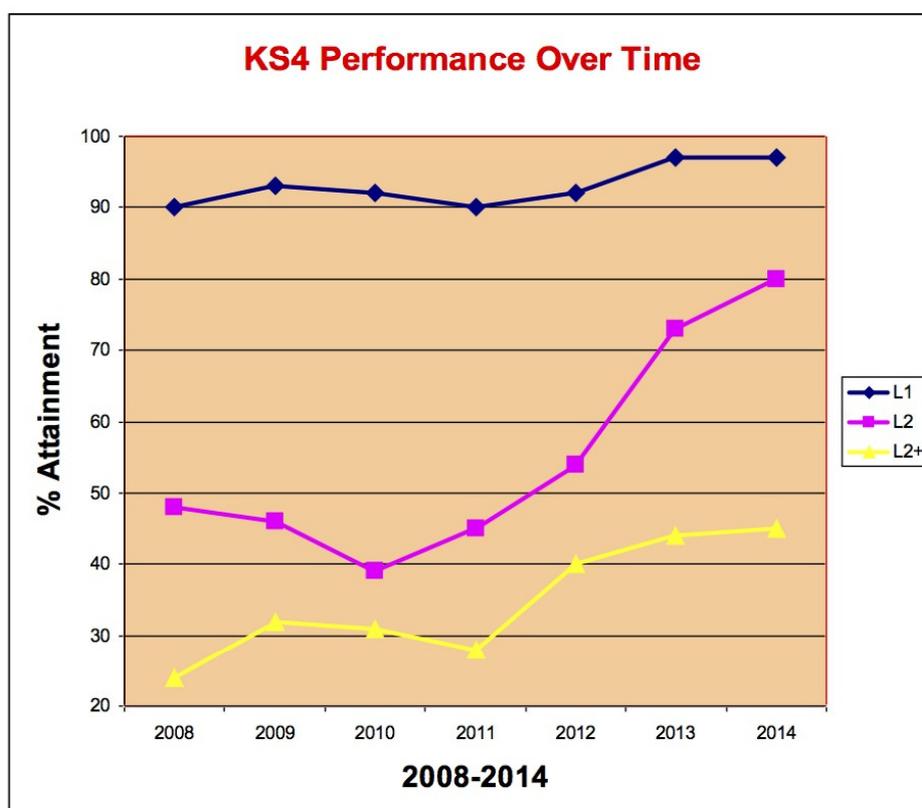
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AND STAFF OF OUR SCHOOL ON  
ANOTHER RECORD-BREAKING YEAR!**