

Thursday 1st September 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

#### RE: Start of term information and reminders

I hope that you had an enjoyable summer and students are ready to return to school. Just a reminder that Year 7 & 11 return tomorrow, 2nd September and the whole school returns on Monday 5th September. I wanted to take a moment to cover a few important reminders about the return to school.

## Drop off and pick up

Please ensure that if you are dropping your child/ren off by car in the mornings or picking them up in the afternoon that you drop them at the top or bottom of the side path. The school site is not accessible for drop off and pick up unless in exceptional circumstances agreed by myself.

### **PE Kit**

You will be aware that it is our intention to return to the normal procedures for PE, with students getting changed at school as they did pre-covid. PE lessons often take place in wet weather and students should not be expected to wear wet and dirty PE Kit for a whole day. Unfortunately we have had some delays in building works taking place in the PE block that mean the changing rooms are still temporarily unavailable. We hope this will only be delayed by a week or two. <u>Until then, students should attend school dressed in their PE kit.</u> As soon as this work is completed I will update you - this will allow the full PE curriculum to return also.

### Lockers

Please remember that lockers are available for students to use. This may be particularly useful for those wishing to store PE Kits during the day. Please contact student services for information.

# Attendance and punctuality

It is, of course, vital that attendance at school remains high. Please ensure that students are in attendance at all times unless there is genuine illness. Please notify student services as soon as possible on each day of a student's absence. Students must also ensure that they are on site and in form rooms by 8.40am. Arriving at the gate at or after 8.40am is unacceptable and will result in a late detention being issued. Please support your child by ensuring they leave school with plenty of time to arrive before 8.40am.

# Dates for the diary

- Wednesday 14th September 2022 All Year Groups Individual Photos All Students must attend in full uniform.
- Thursday 22nd September 2022 Year 7 Welcome Mass at 6.30pm in the Sports Hall.
- Saturday 24th September 2022 50th Anniversary Mass at 11am Ticket holders only.
- Thursday 10th November 2022 Mass of Remembrance at 6.30pm in the Drama Hall

We are very much looking forward to seeing students back in school in the coming days.

Yours sincerely,

Mr P Norris Headteacher