



23rd August 2019

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

Re: Autumn Term 2019

I hope you have all had an enjoyable and restful summer. We are looking forward to welcoming your son/daughter back to school next week. May I remind you of the following important dates and start times for students.

Start of Term

- Monday 2nd September INSET day for staff; school closed to students
- Tuesday 3rd September Term begins for Year 7 at 11.45am – please go to the theatre.
- Wednesday 4th September Term begins for Year 12 & Year 14 at 11.45am – please go to the theatre.
- Thursday 5th September Term begins for all other students at 8.35am. (Line up as usual)

Open Evening and Open mornings

- Tuesday 17th September Open Evening. Early closure at 12.45pm
- Wednesday 18th September Late start : All students must arrive at school by 9.40am. PRIDE day.
- Thursday 3rd October Open Morning 9.15am – 10.15am
- Wednesday 9th October Open Morning 9.15am – 10.15am
- Tuesday 15th October Open Morning 9.15am – 10.15am
- Monday 21st October Open Morning from 9.15am. By appointment only.

Key Dates and Events

- Thursday 26th September Year 10 and 11 Parent GCSE workshop : English, Maths and Science
- Monday 30th September Headteacher Surgery 4.00-6.00pm
- Thursday 10th October Welcome to KS5 evening
- Thursday 17th October Year 7 Settling in afternoon 2.45 – 4.00pm

Half Term

Friday 24th October to Monday 4th November inclusive. Please do not book holidays outside of these dates.

Uniform, bags and coats: Please refer to the uniform information on the website for further information.

- All female students are required to wear black opaque tights if they choose to wear a skirt.
- Bags should be a strong and practical bag, big enough to carry books of at least A4 size such as a rucksack.
- Plain **black** or **navy** coats only, in a suitable style for school.
- Sixth uniform: please refer to the code of conduct.

Mobile Phones

Mobile phones should not be visible on the school site. If a mobile phone is seen, it will be confiscated.

Yours sincerely,

Frances Walsh
Headteacher