

July 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

As we approach the end of the academic year I wanted to let you know the arrangements for the end of this term and alert you to key dates for 2022-23.

End of Term Arrangements

Term ends on Tuesday 19 July at 12.15pm. Buses will depart by 12.20pm. No lunch will be served on this day.

Start of Term Arrangements

The Autumn Term begins for our new **Year 7 on Friday 2 September at 10:15am and for all other year groups on Monday 5 September at 8:35am.**

In-Service Training Days for 2022-2023

We will write to let you know the dates of INSET days for the 2022-23 academic year in September.

Parents' Evenings:

Year 7 Tutor Evening
Year 7 Parents' Evening
Year 8 Parents' Evening
Year 8 Mini Options Evening
Year 9 Options Evening
Year 9 Parents' Evening
Year 10 Parents' Evening
Thursday 13 October
Thursday 9 February
Thursday 16 March
Thursday 2 March
Thursday 12 January
Thursday 24 January
Thursday 24 November

Year 11 Parents' Evenings Thursday 20 October and Thursday 30 March

Term dates for 2022-23:

Autumn Term 5 September - 16 December 2022

Autumn Half-Term holiday 24 – 28 October 2022

Spring Term 3 January 2023 - 31 March 2023

Spring Half-Term holiday 13 – 17 February 2023

Summer Term 17 April 2023 – 20 July 2023 Summer Half-Term holiday 29 May 2023 – 2 June 2023

Getting ready for September

We want all of our students to make a really positive start to the Autumn term. Consequently, we ask that you go through the attached documents with your child to ensure that their return to school in September runs smoothly.

John Lewis have recently written to us saying that they will no longer be a uniform supplier. However, they currently have 92% of the stock needed for this summer. Of course, once this stock has gone none will be reordered. We will continue to have two suppliers for our branded items - Skoolkit and Direct4logos (based in Romsey). The full range of uniform from Direct4logos will be available from 11 July.

If your child uses the summer to get new piercings or a new hairstyle, then it is important to make sure that they are ready for next term. As you are aware, students may only wear one silver or gold stud in each ear lobe. Therefore, we ask that if your child is having any other piercings these are done in the first week of the holiday. This will give the piercing sufficient time to settle before September as retainers are not permitted.

Hair should also be of a natural colour and a sensible unexaggerated hair style suitable for a business environment when they return to school.

All that remains is for me to thank you for all your support this year and wish all our parents, students, friends and neighbours a very happy summer.

Yours sincerely

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