



THE MOUNTBATTEN SCHOOL

July 2023

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 2023-24.

End of Term Arrangements

Term ends on Thursday 20 July at 12.30pm. Buses will depart by 12.40pm. No lunch will be served on this day.

Start of Term Arrangements

The Autumn Term begins for our new **Year 7 on Monday 4 September at 10:30am and for all other year groups on Tuesday 5 September at 8:35am.**

In-Service Training Days for 2023-2024

Friday 1 September 2023

Wednesday 29 November 2023

Tuesday 2 and Wednesday 3 January 2024

Monday 19 February 2024

Tuesday 18 June 2024

Parents' Evenings:

Year 7 Tutor Evening	Thursday 12 October
Year 7 Parents' Evening	Thursday 8 February
Year 8 Parents' Evening	Thursday 14 March
Year 8 Mini Options Evening	Thursday 22 February
Year 9 Options Evening	Thursday 11 January
Year 9 Parents' Evening	Thursday 25 January
Year 10 Parents' Evening	Thursday 23 November
Year 11 Parents' Evenings	Thursday 19 October and Wednesday 27 March

Term dates for 2023-24:

Autumn Term	4 September - 15 December 2023
Autumn Half-Term holiday	23 – 27 October 2023
Spring Term	4 January 2024 - 28 March 2024
Spring Half-Term holiday	12 – 16 February 2024
Summer Term	15 April 2024 – 23 July 2024
Summer Half-Term holiday	27 May 2024 – 31 May 2024

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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 'Standards Checklist' with your child to ensure that their return to school in September runs smoothly.

As you will know from a previous communication in June, changes have been made to the uniform in line with new government guidance regarding branded items. We continue to have two suppliers for our branded items - Skoolkit and Direct4logos (based in Romsey). Full details about the school uniform are on the school website under the 'Information' section.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A Portas', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mr A Portas
Headmaster