



Dear Parent(s) / Carer(s)

Have a great Easter holiday!

So, here we are at the end of what's been a long and exciting term. We have been getting ourselves increasingly back to normal and there will be further changes next term to bring our pre-pandemic Paulet back.

As you know, term ends tomorrow at 1.00pm so students can begin their well-earned Easter break – please remember it is a non-uniform day in aid of the above charity (£1 donation). School re-opens at 8.25am on Monday, 25th April.

Changes from 25th April:

Students will no longer be allowed to wear outside coats / tops inside the building. They can leave them in lockers, bags or carry them. The weather is warmer and we don't need quite as many doors open during the day.

The Year 7 and 8 outside play area will revert to a tennis court. Students in Year 7 and 8 will retain their separate dining area (The Atrium) but rejoin the rest of the school on the main yard when playing outside – this will help encourage some of our students to learn from their older and calmer peers!

Students who arrive to lesson without the required equipment (school bag, pen, pencil, ruler and rubber) will be logged on Go4Schools and this information will be reported to parents. In the event that reward trips are oversubscribed – students with exemplary records of home learning, punctuality and being appropriately equipped will get priority for places.

Upcoming trips:

I am very pleased that we are beginning to get our wide range of trips organised once again. We already have our biannual 6th Form trip to New York planned and just yesterday we advertised our trip to Paris for Year 7 and 8. Plans are afoot for a trip to Madrid next year and there will be our annual Year 7 (and this year only Year 8) camp in July. Our annual trips day will be on Tuesday 19th July and will include trips to: Alton Towers, Cadbury World, Paint Balling, The Peak District (this is a free trip) and Meadowhall in Sheffield.

Lots to look forward to and lots to reward the majority of our students who come to school every day, on time, fully equipped and ready to work hard!

Student voice

I met with the Student Council today to talk about the school's new house token reward system and to decide how the students would like to spend the £3200 they have raised to enhance the student experience. We have decided to investigate the possibility of adding some semi-permanent sunshades to areas of the school yard and provide additional sports equipment for use during social times. It was a lovely discussion with some very articulate and determined young people.

Thank you for your ongoing support, have a great Easter break.

Kind Regards

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