

All Saints Catholic College

A Voluntary Academy

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Dear Parents

As the summer term, and the school year, draws to its conclusion I would like to express my gratitude for all the support you have given as well as feedback during the last few months. I do know that it has not been an easy task and I know that home learning can bring its own unique 'challenges' but it has been great to see how many of our children and young people have managed to carry on learning.

I am happy to tell you all that we will be re-opening for all year groups in September. Our plan is based on what is both sensible but safe for our community.

The most important change I need to detail to you is how the school year will change. The first few days in September will be a more graduated response. In a change to how they are currently advertised we will have 2 INSET days in September. Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd. Pupils in Years 7,10 and 11 will return on Thursday 3rd September. Other years will return on Friday 4th September. The INSET day on Friday 23rd October will now be a normal school day for all children.

I recognise that this is a change and for some pupils does delay their return a little longer. To make sure we can get all of our pupils back, and keep them as safe as possible, we believe that this is the most safe and sensible course of action. It will allow us to settle our new Year 7s, who have not benefitted from our usual transition programme. Year 11 have, on the whole, already accessed the main building therefore they will be able to access learning quickly in their final and most crucial year. Year 10 can also be welcomed back to re start their GCSEs. The next day we can then welcome back Years 8 and 9. By doing this we feel we can settle the pupils quicker and get down to learning.

Our crucial aim is to keep our community safe and ensure that all of children access the broad and balanced education they deserve to succeed.

We know that the first week will be challenging. To help with that please can you make sure:

- Your child is in full attendance
- On time and in school by 8.55am
- In full uniform with no makeup, jewellery and hair tied back

Further information on how the school will be structured to follow guidance will come out to you nearer the end of the summer holidays but if you would like to read the guidance from the DfE it can be found in the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools>

A letter detailing how the school day will run will be sent out to you, and posted on the website, with the usual text, to you in August. Accompanying that will be information regarding how the school is being set up to ensure that we satisfy the guidance relating to wider school opening. Please do make sure you read it and get in touch if you have any questions.

In of 2020 we sent you the last most relevant data for your child's progress, attendance and behaviour. We are suggesting that this now acts as your child's report for the academic year 2019-20 as that is the most up to date and relevant data we have for the children. If you need another copy of this, please contact school.

As you know the school leadership is developing. An advert for a new Headteacher will be advertised in August, so that interviews can take place in October. In the meantime, I will remain as Head of School, and Mr Garvey will continue as Acting Deputy Head.

In the meantime, may I wish you all a safe and hopefully fun summer break

Yours sincerely
Mr A Diamond
Head of School