



Dear Parents and Carers,

The start of the new term is nearly upon us, and I wanted to reinforce the arrangements for the start of term.

On Wednesday 4 September Year 7 will arrive from 8.10 am for an 8.30 start. They will be met by their form tutors and escorted to their tutor base.

Year 11 will also arrive at school on Wednesday 4 September from 10.15 for a 10.30 start.

All other year groups will start on Thursday 5th September at 8.25am.

Arrangements for 5 September

Year 8 and 10 will arrive from 8.10am via the rear entrance of the school in the playground. They will line up at 8.25am and be escorted to their form rooms by their form tutor.

Year 9 will arrive from 8.10am via the front of school. They will line up at 8.25am and be escorted to their form rooms by their form tutor.

Aristotle said "Excellence is never an accident. It is always the result of high intention, sincere effort, and intelligent execution. It represents a wise choice of many alternatives, Choice not chance determines your destiny."

The choices we make throughout this year will determine the student's success. Last year was a successful year and I look forward another year of high standards in every aspect of the school. This will require strong principles and a meaningful relationship with yourselves.

This year our key areas of improvement include-

Standards of behaviour – we know the biggest frustration for our students is low level disruption within school. We have worked hard over last year to maintain high standards across the school and this year we are looking to ensure there is greater consistency in our approach.

We also recognise that you may feel that as a school we do not communicate clearly our processes for dealing with potential incidents of bullying. This year we are ensuring that we communicate our actions and the how we have dealt with incidents.

Attendance and punctuality are also key areas of action this year. If students are not in school, they cannot benefit from the support and the high-quality learning within lessons. Our chasing of attendance is not chasing percentage targets, but it is a deeply held belief that every child should be in school every day so that they can learn and meet their potential.

This year we will also be driving the standards of IT within the school. Later in the year we will be moving a lot of our content for students on to Microsoft Teams and utilising the full suite of applications.

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However, after October we will be moving our Management Information System to Arbor. On this platform all the key information including behaviour, attainment, payment, and attendance will all be easily accessible for you.

Finally, I wanted to congratulate our year 11 on their fantastic results this year. It was a delight to see so many happy faces on results day.

I look forward to the start of term.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'D'Cunha', written in a cursive style.

Mr D'Cunha