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24th March 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we approach the end of term two, there are lots of fantastic things to reflect on as well as lots planned for term three! As ever, we continue to do our best to maximise students' educational and extra-curricular experiences.

Attendance

Throughout this half-term, we have been running our 'Level-Up Your Attendance' initiative. This has given each student an individual target to work towards, improving their attendance and levelling up. Wherever students are up to with their attendance, we want them all to maximise their time in school moving forward. For many students, one of the most significant factors impacting the progress they make in school and their overall achievement is attendance. When students have a day off school, they are missing 5 hours of learning, time that cannot be caught up on easily. For many students who return from a period of absence, we know there can be apprehension about going into lessons, unsure as to what they have missed. Whilst staff will try their best to support, the best way students can feel prepared for future lessons is by making sure they are attending every day, even if they feel under the weather. As we carry on setting students their individual targets in relation to 'levelling up', we ask for your support as parents/carers in ensuring your child is in school every day that they possibly can be.

Options Evening

On Thursday 19th March 2026, we hosted our annual Options Evening. I want to extend my thanks to all of the families who attended the evening. It was excellent to see so many Year 10 students come along to support staff and chat to Year 9 students about option subjects.

Year 11 Exams

Well done to year 11 on completing their final mocks, written exams commence on 7th May

Upcoming practical exam dates for your diary

17th/20th April 2026 Art exam

16th/20th April 2026 3D Design exam

World Book Day

We celebrated World Book Day this half term across both Primary and Secondary. Students and staff had a fabulous day celebrating all things reading and thoroughly enjoyed completing quizzes and participating in competitions. There were some fantastic student costumes of our most beloved characters!

The School Book Fair was an incredible success, raising £1023.26 to spend on books for the school. Thank you to parents/carers, students and staff for making the day a huge success!



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Parent / Carer Evenings

Please find below the remaining dates for this academic year.

- Year 8 Parents Evening – 23rd April 2026
- Year 7 Parents Evening – 21st May 2026

End of Term

School closes at normal time on Friday, 27th March 2026.

Start of Term

School reopens on Monday, 13th April 2026 at normal time.

I hope you enjoy a well-deserved Easter break. The staff and I look forward to welcoming the students back at normal time on Monday, 13th April 2026, ready for another exciting term ahead.

Yours sincerely,

Mr J Jardine
Executive Principal