

Dear Parents and Carers

Our last day of term is Friday 22nd July. As would normally be the case, this is planned to be an early finish. Friday will also be a non-uniform day with donations of £1 to be made to Wisepay or in cash to your child's tutor. All donations will go to the House charities.

Friday 22nd July 2022

- Students will have normal lessons registration, period 1 and 2 and break
- 11.40am Chichester & Johnson assembly front hall
- 12.00pm Mallory & Sharman assembly front hall
- 12.15pm Students will be dismissed from site

Start of Term Arrangements

- Monday 5th September Year 7 start at 8.35am and meet on the front lawn
- Monday 5th September Year 12 in school for enrolment (details already emailed by Sixth Form)
- Tuesday 6th September 8.35am Start for all year groups

Uniform

Whilst the vast majority of students have the correct uniform and wear is smartly and with pride, we would like to remind students that when they arrive to school, they are expected to be wearing full school uniform. We wish to see skirts at a suitable length, that blazer sleeves are not rolled up and that all jewellery is in keeping with the school uniform policy. We would like to take this opportunity to inform you that rings, nose piercings and necklaces are not permitted under any circumstances.

Year 7

- Navy blue blazer with school badge
- Optional navy-blue V-necked pullover with school badge
- Navy blue A Line skirt with inverted pleat SKIRT LENGTHS MUST BE NO MORE THAN 15CM ABOVE THE KNEE. NO OTHER SKIRTS SHOULD BE WORN
- Tailored school trousers in grey, charcoal, or black
- Students currently wearing navy trousers can continue to do so until July 2023
- Leggings, tight fitted and ankle length trousers are not permitted
- Plain white buttoned shirt with collar (both long and short sleeved shirts are permitted)
- Revere collared blouses can be worn by students in Years 8-11 until July 2023
- House coloured tie
- Plain white, navy or black socks
- Plain black or nude coloured tights (patterned tights are not permitted). Socks and tights should not be worn together
- Socks should not be worn above the knee
- Plain black sensible leather shoes (no logo), maximum 3cm inner edge of heel, no boots, no canvas shoes, no trainer style shoes

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We do appreciate and acknowledge that on days when the temperature is especially high, students may feel too hot. We would ask that students still come to school in their full school uniform during the Autumn and Spring Terms and we will take a common-sense approach, to removal of extra layers and notify students in morning registration.

We hope this approach is easy for students to understand and follow and will alleviate any issues. If students fail to wear the correct uniform, in line with our school policy, those students will be sanctioned appropriately. We hope there are very few incidents of this nature.

Please can you also encourage your child to bring a water bottle to school to keep hydrated during the school day. We ask that students fill their bottles before school, during break and during lunch.

We would like all students to be prepared for lessons and be ready to learn, this means ensuring they have the correct equipment in their pencil case and all the necessary books for each lesson and a positive attitude towards learning.

Our place in the community is one that we take great pride in and one that we should be grateful for. We are incredibly lucky to be surrounded by such a beautiful environment and it is important that we treat both this and members of the local community with respect.

Please kindly share this information with your child, as getting these simple things right, helps to reduce negative interactions/conversations and allows more time to spent on supporting students with their learning and progress. Parents support with all of these matters is greatly appreciated. A consistent focus on these every day standards will allow our students to engage fully with their learning and the make the best academic progress.

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Important reminder for students in Year 10 and 12

As we approach the end of term, I wanted to take this opportunity to remind all year 10 and 12 students of the importance keeping exercise books and work folders safe. Each year, when students return in September, a small number do not have their books or files; either they have lost them or they have been disposed of. As I am sure you are aware, the students in Year 10 and 12 are on a two-year course and the books and work they generate this year are very important. They will be essential for their preparations for the mock examinations and for the final exams. In addition, lost books are an unexpected cost to departments and those funds could be used elsewhere.

As we approach the last few days of this very busy year, it is great to finish on a high with our prizegiving ceremonies over the next few days recognising the fantastic achievements of students. I would like to wish all students, staff, parents and carers a fantastic summer and look forward to an exciting new academic year in the Autumn.

Yours sincerely

Mr P Foster

Headteacher