



Dear Parent

Faith, Excellence and Kindness

We have reached the end of the autumn term, our first term as a new school. There have been so many successes and examples of our values being demonstrated as well as challenges this term. I would like to thank you for your patience, support and faith as we 'iron out' any creases in structures and organisation of our new school.

A huge thank you to those students and parents who have been kind and generous by contributing towards the hampers and gift boxes for some of our own families or for the local pensioners.

Your child's autumn term assessments have been completed and marked and the results will or have been communicated to parents. Please take the time to talk to your child about the importance of working hard and always doing their best as the assessment give a clear indication of the effort your child is making or may need to make.

As we end this term, we are preparing for the spring term 2020. Before the end of the holiday please ensure that your child is fully prepared for school on the 7th January 2020, ensuring that they have:

- A pencil case with all the essential equipment and plenty of pens and pencils
- Full correct uniform – black shoes and NO trainers
- A school bag with all their books and equipment
- NO make up, nail extensions, nail varnish, unnatural hair colours, shaved patterns in their hair
- Their hair tied back and it remains tied back throughout the day
- No jewellery other than one pair of earrings and a watch
- Had a good rest and has completed some study over the holidays
- A positive kind attitude and are polite courteous

All students should be aiming for excellence in the new year and must be ready to work hard and to try their very best.

In January 2020, we will raise our expectations again and we will be unapologetic in our expectations and so we have some very clear **Red Lines** for our students that are non negotiable. Some of these are:

1. Students **MUST** be in full school uniform and black shoes – if they are not in full uniform or not wearing black shoes, they will be sent home from the school gate. If you need support to purchase black shoes or uniform, please do not hesitate to contact us this week or on the 6th January 2020 and we will do all we can to assist. **BUT**, we will not have students entering the school site unless they are in full school uniform.
2. A full pencil case – these will be checked each day and if a student does not have their equipment, they will be expected to provide a personal item of value in return for borrowing

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some equipment. If this is repeated there will be a consequence. We need all students to be ready and prepared for their learning.

3. Maximising their learning time is essential and we do not expect students to go to the bathroom unless it is before school, at break time or lunch time, not including emergencies. Students with a medical condition will be exempt. Please ensure that the required medical note is dated within the last 6 months.
4. Swearing, verbal abuse and any form of physical contact with staff will NOT be tolerated. There will be clear and strong sanctions for any such behaviour and we will share these with you in January 2020.

Your faith and support are essential in securing these expectations as these will underpin the continuing raising of standards in our school. If every parent supports these expectations, we will undoubtedly achieve the excellent standards we are aiming for, from which every student will benefit.

The end of this term will begin at 12.35pm on the 20th December, when your child will be dismissed from school. I wish you and your family a wonderful Christmas holiday with lots of fun and laughter and rest. We look forward to welcoming your child on the 7th January 2020, on site by 8.35am and ready for a successful term.

Merry Christmas!

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