

21 August 2020

Dear Parents

### **First day of term**

I hope you are all enjoying a lovely summer break. It has been a very extended time out of school for all young people and we are all looking forward to seeing them in school. I do hope that all our new Year 9 are excited about returning. They will soon settle in and get back into the rhythm of school and learning. We will have a number of new measures in place to support everyone in their safety. COVID 19 is still out there and we need to stay alert and follow careful procedures to ensure we keep it at bay and can enjoy school fully.

I will be sending out a letter later to all parents about the procedures regarding COVID but I wanted to write you a quick note to confirm that we will start the term as agreed on our googlemet last term.

September 1st is an INSET day, as of the calendar on the website, and September 2nd is an induction day for new Year 7s, Year 12s and our new year 9 students. That will give our new students an opportunity to familiarise themselves with the school buildings and get to know each other. They will not all be in the same class of course and on September 3rd the rest of their new classmates will arrive. However, I hope it will help them all feel they know the place as the induction process was very different this year.

Our second hand uniform shop will be open between 2pm and 4pm on Wednesday the 26th August which you may find useful. Access to the shop will be via the staff car park on Oxford Road. The normal uniform shop will not be open on that day but all uniform remains available online. Sports kit can be purchased from Hawkinsport via the shop or via click and collect.

Enjoy the rest of the holiday and I look forward to seeing everyone on the 2nd September.

Kind regards

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Headteacher