

29th November 2024

Dear Parents / Carers

In September we changed the school day to meet a number of requirements of which one was to be compliant to teaching 32.5hrs a week, returning to one hour lessons and a five period day, a shorter break and longer lunch and removing double lessons. We have been encouraged with the impact of these changes and would now like to capture a wider stakeholder voice. We would be very grateful if you could take a few moments to complete this short survey linked [here](#). The results from staff, parent and student voice will be reflected upon.

Attendance

Attendance year to date = 92.4% Persistent Absence year to date = 21.7% [less than 90%] Lates =3.1%			
	Year to Date	PA	Lates
Year 7	94.6%	15.4%	1.3%
Year 8	92.7%	19.2%	2.7%
Year 9	91.3%	26.8%	4.2%
Year 10	91.9%	23.2%	3.2%
Year 11	90.7%	25.8%	4.5%

Friday 13th December- Christmas Jumper day

On Friday 13th December we will be raising money for Save the Children by having our Christmas Jumper day. We will be inviting students to wear their Christmas jumper/Non school uniform into school

Thursday 5th December- Year 7 Christmas Disco- 4:30-6:00pm

The parent pay is now open for Year 7 parents/carers to purchase tickets for the Year 7 Christmas disco. This is a great opportunity for our students to celebrate their hard work and effort over the last 2 terms and get into the Christmas spirit

Year 11 Parents' Evening

We are looking forward to welcoming Year 11 parents and carers on the 12th December to speak with subject teachers about progress made so far and next steps as we move up and over the mountain towards the summer exams. Reports will be published on MCAS and there will be a paper copy available on the evening. We very much hope that all of our Year 11 students will be represented on the evening and the link for making appointments will be available early next week.

Future Events

- 5th Dec - Y7 Disco
- 9th Dec - Y7 - 11 Flu Vaccination
- 12th Dec - Y11 Parents' Evening - 4.30 - 7.00pm
- 13th Dec - Christmas Jumper/Non school uniform day
- 16th Dec - Christmas Concert
- 17th Dec - Christmas Lunch

- 18th Dec - Christmas Lunch
- 20th Dec - Students finish at 12.05pm

As we approach the final stretch of the term, with just three weeks to go, the excitement and energy around the school is palpable. These remaining weeks are packed with learning opportunities, celebrations, and activities that mark the culmination of another term. From upcoming projects and assessments to special events, we're focused on finishing strong and making the most of every moment. Thank you for your continued support as we work together to create a memorable end to the term for our students.

With our continued thanks. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or need any further information.

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