

Dear Parents/Carers

### **Re: End of Term Letter and further arrangements for September**

We have finally reached the end of term. We recognise that it has been a very uncertain and anxious time for many of you in our school community. I hope you are all well and looking forward to hopefully a more positive summer.

It has been wonderful over the last few weeks to welcome back students for some face-to-face sessions. The students' conduct has been superb. They have engaged with their teachers in a friendly and productive manner. They have worked hard and respected the new social distancing rules. Thank you to all of them and well done. It has been lovely to welcome them back.

We have also run face-to-face transition sessions with our new Year 7s. It has been a pleasure to meet them all and we look forward to getting to know them from September.

Schools thrive when they are full of students. Our young people need their education and the structure of school. Therefore, we look forward to the full opening of St Julian's in September.

### **Calendar - Important Dates**

We've put together the key dates for the year. Please see [this link](#) for next year's school calendar. A reminder that the first week of term is a staggered return on Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th September. Please see [yesterday's letter](#) which outlines the first week back.

### **School Uniform**

From September, we are returning to full school uniform.

Uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of our school and setting an appropriate tone. It also gives students a sense of community and belonging. It is, therefore, important that students adhere to and respect our rules on school uniform.

We always want our students to make a positive start on their return to school in September; however, this is even more the case this year following such a long period without normal schooling,

Families have over six weeks to organise uniform for the return to school. To ensure you have clarity around the appropriate uniform items, we have put together [this guidance](#).

## Equipment

Welsh Government guidance states students should bring their own resources to school, Please could you make sure students come equipped with the following from September in a pencil case.

- Pens
- Pencil
- Ruler
- Rubber
- Sharpener
- Purple Pen
- Glue stick
- Highlighters

## Information Technology

The school is upgrading its IT infrastructure during the summer holidays. This means that all our IT systems will at some point be out of action. Students will still be able to access their Google accounts from home if they would like to do some work over the summer.

## Chromebooks

Please could all students who have borrowed school Chromebooks return them to school when they return for their induction session. We need to upgrade these devices to work on our new IT system.

## Staff Contact

The contact between staff, parents and students by phone and email has been invaluable during the lockdown period. The school is officially closed during the summer holidays. Therefore, staff will not be available to answer and respond to any communication until Tuesday 1st September..

## GCSE and A-Level Results

There will be an opportunity for students to pick up their A-Level results on Thursday 13th August and GCSE results on Thursday 20th August in person. Further guidance on how these days will be organised will go directly to students within the next few days.

## And finally ...

We wish you an enjoyable summer holiday with your families. We encourage our students to take a break and recharge the batteries for a new term of learning in September. I will write to you again on Tuesday 1st September to give you an update following the summer holidays.

Happy holidays! Please stay safe.

Yours faithfully,



Mr Dean Curtis  
Headteacher/Pennaeth

