



Holy Family Catholic High School

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Dear Parent,

As our school year ends, I am writing to share with you some important information for the end of term and for the next school year.

End of Term Arrangements

- **Monday 13th July** – Sports Day, Year 12 personal statement workshop
- **Tuesday 14th July** – Year 12 personal statement workshop, Year 12 finish, Mass for Years 7-10.
- **Wednesday 15th July** – Rewards Trips.
- **Thursday 16th July** – Student Festival.
- **Friday 17th July** - Finish 12.15pm (School buses will be available).

Results Day Arrangements

For students who sat external exams this summer, results day arrangements are as follows:

- **Year 13** results will be available on **Thursday 13th August** between 8.30am – 12.00pm in the school hall ([see letters on the website for more detail](#)). Staff will be available all day to support students needing advice. **Year 12** results will be emailed out to all students at 1.00pm.
- **Year 11** results will be available on **Thursday 20th August** between 8.30am – 12.30pm in the school hall ([see letters on the website for more detail](#)). Again, staff will be available all day to support students needing advice.

First Week Arrangements

Years 7 & 11: The new term for Years 7 & 11 begins on **Thursday 3rd September at 8.45am**. Both year groups will be following bespoke programmes to help prepare them for the year to come. Year 11 students should wear their PE kits. The school bus service will run as normal.

Years 7-11: The new term for all year groups begins on **Friday 4th September at 8.45am**. The school bus service will run as normal.

The school photographer will be in school on **Friday 4th September**.

Years 12 & 13: Enrolment for **Year 12** will take place on **Friday 4th September**. This will take place in the Sixth Form study area (more details will be available on results day). Enrolment for **Year 13** will take place on **Monday 7th September**.

Year 11 will be on work experience for a week, starting on Monday 7th September.

Uniform and equipment

I would like to thank you for your support and cooperation with regards to how smart our students always look and how well equipped they are for school. If you are buying new uniform this summer, please refer to our [website](#). Details of Sixth Form uniform are also on the [website](#). I have highlighted some key points about uniform below:

- **Shoes** – Completely black, polishable and no sports brands. Nothing that resembles a trainer whether it's black or not.
- **Outdoor coats** – Plain, and not too bright in colour.

- **Hair Styles** – No elaborate decoration. No hair falling in front of eyes/faces. Any colours must be natural. Students must have a bobble to tie long hair back when requested e.g. Science, Technology and PE lessons
- **Make-up** – Years 9-11 only, and light touch.
- **Bags** – Dark and practical.
- **Jewellery** – A single, plain gold or silver stud earring only. No more than one earring per ear.
- **Equipment** – Fully equipped every day please.
- **Skirts** – Grey pleated knee-length skirts only, but not twin pleated.
- **Ties** - Years 7, 8 & 9 ties are purple; Years 10 & 11 are black.

School Term Dates 2026/2027

Term dates for the new school year are available on our [website](#).

Site Developments

Over the summer we expect/hope our new teaching block will be finished and ready for the new term. The block will have 6 new classrooms, an office and toilets and it will replace the existing huts/caravans (at last!)

Staff Leavers

We will be very sorry to say goodbye at the end of term to a number of staff:

- Mrs Parker (Deputy Head teacher) has secured a promotion and will be the lead for Teaching & Learning in The Pope Francis Trust.
- Mr Barlow (Subject Leader Mathematics) has secured a promotion as Head of Faculty at a school much closer to where he lives.
- Mr Hope (Subject Leader Computing) has secured a promotion to become an Assistant Headteacher, also at a school much closer to where he lives.
- Mrs O'Connor (RE Teacher) is leaving for another challenge in her new school.
- Mr Byrne, Miss Smaller and Miss Bradley (Teaching Assistants) are all leaving to train to become teachers.

We thank them for all their hard work and effort and wish them all every success and happiness for their future and know that they will stay in touch.

Finally, may I take this opportunity to thank you once again for your continued support, patience and cooperation. I wish you all a safe and enjoyable summer holiday and we look forward to seeing you all in September.

Best wishes,

Mr Symes
Headteacher