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Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, we would like to welcome all our new students and their families to Oswaldtwistle School and hope very much that our relational ethos and inclusive approach to school life provides for an enjoyable and successful experience for all.

As the academic year draws to a close, it is time, once again, to update you on all matters of relevance, along with our end of term arrangements and those for the start of the new 2025/6 academic year.

### **Staffing Updates**

This summer we say goodbye to one of our longer standing members of staff, Ms Julie Padden, and in so doing would like to thank Julie for her dedication to pupil wellbeing over the years and wish her well for the future. We would also like to pass on our thanks and best wishes to Mr Mujtaba Yasin who is leaving us to pursue a career in Law and extend our best wishes to Ms Sinead Parr, Mrs Bernadette McMullan, Ms Amie Quinn and Mrs Leesa Amin Yasin all of whom will be taking maternity leave next year.

### **End of year activities and arrangements**

Our annual reward trip to Blackpool was enjoyed by a large number of staff and students on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July, well done everyone, it was a fantastic day out. We are looking forward to celebrating the successes of our students in our end of year celebration assembly on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July.

This year, school will close for the summer break on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July at noon. An earlier lunch will be taken at 11.30am with taxis being rescheduled to collect students at 12.00pm.

### **Re-opening of school - Autumn Term 2025**

School will open to students on Tuesday 2nd September following a staff INSET day on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September. Taxis will be scheduled to collect students at the normal time on this day.



### **Uniform expectations**

Upon your child's return to school, please can we ask that you ensure he/she attends appropriately dressed with black shoes/trainers, black or grey skirt or black trousers, white shirt and tie (blue and grey years 7 to 10 / black and grey year 11) and a school jumper. We would like to emphasize that tracksuit bottoms and leggings are not permitted, as neither are skirts and trousers made of black stretch material. If skirts are worn, they must be no shorter than 3 inches above the top of the knee.

There is also an expectation that students adhere to the following:

- only 1 plain stud in each ear lobe only. Any other piercings must be removed for school or replaced with a retainer. Facial piercings of any kind (e.g. lip/nose/tongue/eyelid etc) are not allowed
- Chains, bracelet and rings are not permitted
- Hairstyles need to be sensible. This means no lines shaved into hair, 'pattern cuts' or excessively coloured hair (natural colour only).
- Students must not wear any item of clothing that displays offensive or inappropriate imagery or language.
- Make up must be kept to a minimal and lashes and nails must be of a short length

Please can we ask that you support us in our efforts to secure these expectations by discussing the above with your child in advance of their return to school in September.

In closing may we thank you for your ongoing support, and offer our best wishes for a safe and enjoyable summer break.

Kind regards,  
The staff at Oswaldtwistle School