

6th September 2023

Dear parent/carer

I am writing to thank you for all your support following a great start to the academic year.

Given the weather conditions, we are allowing students to remove their blazers to make them more comfortable. It is however, somewhat frustrating that we have had a very wet summer and as we return to school summer has made a return! As the forecast is for cooler weather next week, we will expect students to go back to wearing full school uniform, including blazers on Monday.

Updates to the building:

During the summer break, work has been carried out on different areas of the school building. Classrooms in the Humanities and Languages areas have been refurbished and are much improved. In addition, we have had a complete refurbishment of the ILC (library). We are still awaiting some furniture but when it is fully complete, we will share photographs in the parent bulletin. We have invested over £5000 in new library books, re-designed the area and installed a new computer suite. The whole environment has been transformed and we are delighted with the results.

In addition, we have enhanced our CCTV systems to further improve student safety in and outside the school buildings. Cameras have been installed into the wash basin areas of the toilets, in line with practice in most secondary schools. Please be assured that your son/daughter's privacy in the toilet areas are fully protected and the CCTV coverage is exclusively for the wash basin area.

We will continue to invest in our school environment, we believe this, along with excellent teaching, is continuing to drive our excellent successes in academic and extra-curricular areas.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at school.

Kindest regards

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