



16 July 2024

Dear Parent/Families

As we reach the end of a very busy half term at the Academy, we reflect on the successes and challenges of this year. I would like to thank you personally for all your support and good wishes. Our staff continue to work hard to encourage our students to live out our values of pride, ambition, and respect. They have been working in departmental areas to build on the good practice that is already in place and review our curriculum plans and assessments so that we are ready to start afresh in the new school year in September.

We have enjoyed this final half term which has been an opportunity to celebrate so many beautiful things that make our school so special:

- Careers opportunities
- Y11 Leavers Service
- Y11 Prom
- Y10 Parents Evening
- Y6 transition day
- Blackpool Trip
- Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award

This week we are recognising our students' many successes in year group assemblies as we come together as a family to reflect on our year. You can read all about our wonderful students and all their news in our Instagram page.

Arrangements for the last day of term

Students will finish for summer on Friday 19 July at 12:15 p.m. Year groups will be slightly staggered to allow for a smooth exit from the Academy.

Students will have the opportunity for 'brunch' at breaktime in place of a formal lunch. Students who are entitled to a free school meal can access it at this point.

Uniform standards for September

When students return to the Academy in September, we expect to see the basic expectations of uniform will be met by all. It is compulsory for all students to wear full school uniform including a blazer, tie, and black school shoes (no trainers at all, including 'on cloud' trainers).

We now have a stock of new and used uniform for any student/family who needs it. For students who come to school without the correct uniform, they will be provided with the missing items such as shoes, blazer, or tie. For those that consistently refuse to cooperate with basic rules over clothing (for example coats) they will be placed on daily detentions and parents will be invited into school to discuss how we can rectify the matter. If you are struggling to provide the correct uniform, please contact the office because we may be able to assist you.

We will be running further uniform Swap Shops on GCSE results day, Thursday 22nd August between 11am and 12pm and Monday 2 September between 2pm and 3pm.

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All new Y7 students will be issued with their own locker in September. Keys will be given out on the first day.

As usual at the start of a new year, there have been some changes to the teaching classes that students have been placed in. There is a variety of reasons for these changes such as staffing, students' attitude to learning and their progress. If you have any concerns with any of your child's new classes, please contact the relevant Head of Year.

Year group	Head of Year	Contact (email and mobile)
Head of Year 7	Miss H Thornber	Thornberh@asfa.allsaintsmat.org 07842442276
Head of Year 8	Mr Bryant	Bryantj@asfa.allsaintsmat.org 07432133866
Head of Year 9	Mrs Mitchell	Mitchelll@asfa.allsaintsmat.org 07842428233
Head of Year 10	Mr Ellison	Ellisonk@asfa.allsaintsmat.org 07889410697
Head of Year 11	Mrs McKechnie	Mckechnies@asfa.allsaintsmat.org 07706324104
Designated Safeguarding Lead	Ms Bleasdale	Bleasdalet@asfa.allsaintsmat.org 07561855803

Year 11 Results Day August 2024

School will be open from 8.30am – 11am on Thursday 22nd August. All students should arrive via the main entrance where they will collect their results from a member of staff, who will be offering support with enrolment to Sixth Form or college.

Arrangements for the start of the September term

Date	Arrival	Year groups	Focus
Monday 2 nd and Tuesday 3 rd September	Staff INSET days – all students to remain at home		
Wednesday 4 th September	Year 7 and year 11 only. 8.35am-2.50pm		
Thursday 5 th September	All remaining year groups to return. Normal school day		

Attendance #2daysorless #everydaycounts

High expectations will continue to be set for all students with regards to attendance from September 2024. The academy will work closely with parents to maximise attendance and ensure that curriculum time is not missed. Persistent absence will be challenged, and parents will be expected to provide medical evidence when attendance does not meet expectations. Medical and dental appointments should be booked outside of school hours wherever possible, and holidays will not be authorised in term time. As you know, this is a priority area identified by Ofsted and we will be challenging students and families where attendance is not at a satisfactory level.

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The table below indicates how much learning time is lost per school year when students are absent from school. This is linked closely to academic achievement and future success. Please ensure that you are prepared for when your child starts back in September, know their start date, and have their uniform and equipment ready. If for any reason you are struggling with this, then please contact school before your child is due to return.

0 - 2 Days off	0 – 10 Lessons missed	99 - 100%	Excellent – student is accessing all learning opportunities
3 - 6 Days off	15 – 30 Lessons missed	97 - 98%	Good – very few learning opportunities missed
7 - 10 Days off	35 – 50 Lessons missed	95 - 96%	Concern - risk of underachievement
11 - 18 Days off	55 – 90 Lessons missed	91 - 94 %	Severe risk of underachievement
19 or more Days off	95 or more Lessons missed	90% or less	Extreme risk of underachievement Persistent Absence

We are also focusing on punctuality, and we expect all our students to be onsite by 8.35am. School will be open from 8.05am and students are welcome to have a free Breakfast. Any student who arrives after 9.05am will be issued a U code, this code will affect their overall attendance.

Getting your child to school on time really matters **#Everyminutematters**.

The table below shows the impact of poor punctuality can have on your child's learning.

Minutes Late	Missed lessons	Days Lost
5	17 Lessons	3.5
10	34 Lessons	7
15	51 Lessons	10
20	68 Lessons	13.5
30	102 Lessons	20.5

Please ensure that you have downloaded the Arbor App so that you can track your child's attendance and punctuality. **#2daysorless #everydaycounts**

Next year we are aiming high to have the best attendance possible. As such, we will be running a range of rewards for students on a weekly and half termly basis. This includes the best attending forms as well as individual attendance rewards much like our successful ice-skating trip earlier this term.

Arbor Parent Portal/Arbor App Arbor allows us to communicate with you more efficiently and allows you key access to your son/daughter's Academy information including attendance, behaviour, timetable and homework.

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To access the Arbor Parent Portal/Arbor App:

Go to <https://login.arbor.sc> and click Forgot your password? to finish setting up your account using your email account.

Free School Meal vouchers

Liverpool City Council have managed to use some extra funding to provide families with £75.00 vouchers per child to cover the summer holiday period. These will be available to collect from the school office from 9am to 2pm each day through the summer holidays.

Staff Changes

The end of every school year always sees staff leaving our Academy to pursue the next step of their career. I am sure you will join us in wishing these staff good luck for the future. Some staff have served our community over many years.

Miss Donnelly has been Head of Art at the Academy for six years. We wish her luck as she embarks on an exciting new chapter of her life. Ms Adams is also off to pastures new in September and we wish her the best of luck. We bid farewell to Ms Cacho-Lopez and thank her for her commitment to our community. Thank you to Ms Gymnopoulos who has been with us on supply in English. We thank you for your support and dedication to our students. Mr Attwood will also be leaving us and we thank him for his work in the History and Science department this year. We also say goodbye to Ms Ali who continues her career journey in the All Saints MAT as Head of Computing. We are grateful for all that she has done for our young people and our community. We say goodbye to Mr Byrne who has been a Head of Year since March 2023. He will certainly be missed, and we wish him well as he continues his career journey in another Liverpool school. We wish Mr Milea a good luck as he leaves us as our sports coach to pastures new, good luck for the future. Goodbye also goes to Mr Kibberd who leaves us as our DT Teacher, and we wish him well in his new school. Farewell too to Mr Collins, who has worked with us all year. We wish lots of luck as he moves back into headship closer to home in Wales.

And finally, a special goodbye to Mr Lawton, who has been with us this year as Deputy Headteacher. We would like to thank him for all that he has done for our school family, and we wish him all the best as he moves into a Deputy Headship at one of our sister schools, the Academy of St Nicholas.

We wish everyone leaving our Academy every success in their future endeavors and thank them for everything they have done to serve our school.

I wish you a lovely summer and I look forward to welcoming you to more events in the next academic year celebrating our wonderful students. May I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and wish you a relaxing and prosperous summer break.

God Bless



Ms Jo Leech

Headteacher

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Term Dates for the 2024-2025 Academic Year

Term	Dates
Autumn Half Term 1	Monday 2 September – Friday 25 October 2024
INSET day (Students not in school)	Monday 2 September 2024 (all staff)
INSET day (Students not in school)	Tuesday 3 September 2024 (all staff)
Term starts – students return	Wednesday 4 September 2024 (Y7/Y11 only)
	Thursday 5 September 2024 (Y7-11)
October Half Term Break	Monday 28 October – Friday 1 November 2024
Autumn Half Term 2	Monday 4 November – Friday 20 December 2024
Term starts – students return	Monday 4 November 2024
Christmas Holidays	Monday 23 December – Friday 3 January 2025
Spring Half Term 3	Monday 6 January – Friday 7 February 2025
INSET day (Students not in school)	Monday 6 January 2025 (all staff)
Term starts – students return	Tuesday 7 January 2025
February Half Term Break	Monday 17 February – Friday 21 February 2025
Spring Half Term 4	Monday 24 February – Friday 4 April 2025
Term starts – students return	Monday 17 February 2025
Easter Holiday	Friday 4 April – Tuesday 22 April 2025
Summer Half Term 5	Tuesday 22 April – Friday 23 May 2025
Term starts – students return	Tuesday 22 April 2025
Bank Holiday May Day	Monday 5 May 2025
May Half Term Break	Monday 26 May – Friday 30 May 2025
Summer Half Term 6	Monday 2 June – Friday 18 July 2025
Term starts – students return	Monday 2 June 2025
Term ends	Friday 18 July 2025
INSET days (taken as Twilight)	Monday 21 July 2025 Tuesday 22 July 2025

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