

20 June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

And just like that, another terminal exam season comes to a close. A huge well done to all our Year 11 and Year 13 students who officially finish exams this afternoon! They have been fantastic throughout this demanding period, showing resilience, determination and maturity. I am confident they will be well rewarded when they receive their results in August. Thank you to all parents and careers for supporting your child through this time, it's not easy but that support you provide is invaluable. Thank you also for the many kind emails of thanks staff have received, again these are really appreciated and help remind our staff that their efforts are so welcomed.

One of the brilliant things about life in a school community is how seamlessly we move from one chapter to the next. As some students complete their journey with us and prepare for their next steps, others are stepping up to take on new challenges. I would like to wish all Year 10 and Year 12 students the very best of luck as they begin their progression exams next week.

It's been a pleasure this week to speak to a number of Year 10 students who returned from exciting and rewarding work experience placements. Their enthusiasm and the variety of experiences they gained are a testament to the value of these opportunities. Thank you to all parents, carers, and employers who supported these placements—it really does make a difference. I know a few students even secured their first paid jobs off the back of successful placements and they were quite rightly extremely proud of their efforts.

A reminder of last week's letter from Ms Jones in relation to the updated lunch time arrangements starting Monday 23 June and general uniform reminders. For ease the amended times are below - a note this will not affect your child's timetabled lessons. If your child has outgrown any uniform or they have finished with us in Year 11 please do donate and drop in your second-hand uniform to main reception. This greatly supports a number of students and families every year.

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Sixth Form
Lunch 1 12.20 to 12.50		Food: Canteen Indoor area: Humanities/Canteen Toilet: Humanities/Canteen		Food: Pod or canteen Indoor area: Design Toilets: Design	Food: Common Room Outdoor area: Peace Garden
Lunch 2 13.20 to 13.50	Food: Canteen Indoor area: Humanities/Canteen Toilets: Humanities/Canteen		Food: Pod or canteen Indoor area: Humanities Toilet: Ground Floor Humanities		

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As we enter the final four weeks of the academic year, we look forward to reflecting on the many achievements of our students and celebrating their successes. There is still much to enjoy and acknowledge before the summer break, and we are proud of all our young people.

Please continue to visit our school website for the latest news, updates and key information as we approach the end of term.

Mike Lowdell Head Teacher

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