



St. Antony's Catholic College

in partnership with Loreto Grammar School

Friday 12th July 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

As the end of term quickly approaches, I would like to take this opportunity to inform you about events taking place during our last week of term and to give you brief details for our return to school in September.

School will finish early for students on Friday 19th July at 12:45pm. This will be an own clothes day (£1 per student for school fund). The school bus will run in the morning but will not run in the afternoon. School will open for Yr7s on Wednesday 4th September 2019 at 8:45am but all other year groups will be expected to arrive in school on that day at 10am. They can arrive earlier if needed and will be supervised in the canteen until their day officially starts.

We will be having our end of year Mass at St Hugh of Lincoln at 10am on Thursday 18th July. You will have already received a letter about Sports Day which takes place on Tuesday 16th July. You are welcome to attend both events and it would be lovely to see you there. On Wednesday, weather permitting, Year 7 and 8 will be having a Wellbeing Walk and picnic on Urmston Meadows. There will be no hot food available in school that day and children will need to bring their own packed lunch or order one from the canteen. If you have not yet given permission for your son/daughter to go on our Wellbeing Walks, please complete and return the slip at the end of this letter.

The staff and students at St Antony's have had another very positive year. Please follow us on our website, Facebook and Twitter to keep up-to-date with our students' successes. We are particularly proud of the fundraising which has taken place. The Romania team, who are currently still away working at a school in Sibiu, raised almost £14,000 and the whole school have raised money for St Joseph's Penny as well as Cornerstones, CAFOD, Francis House and Save the Children. We are very proud of this display of faith in action.

We are expecting a full Ofsted inspection in the new academic year under the revised framework which comes into being in September 2019. Your views are always important to us but during this process they will also be used by the inspecting team. If you haven't done so already, please complete the online questionnaire at parentview.ofsted.gov.uk (see attached) and share those views with us.

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School shoes can be an expensive investment and we want to ensure that you do not purchase an unsuitable pair. The pictures on our website show clearly what is and is not acceptable at St Antony's and outlines the consequences of wearing unsuitable footwear. If you are in any doubt, please keep any receipt and send your son/daughter to Mr Speake with the shoes for approval.

Over recent months there has been a considerable improvement in the appearance of the students in school. Thank you for your continued support with this. Some common concerns regarding uniform and our female students can include skirt length (which should be on the knee), skirt shape (which should be pleated not straight), trousers (which should be school trousers only, a non-skinny style) and socks (which should be black and to the knee, not above or ankle length). Make up should not be worn (this includes nail varnish). Hair should be of a natural colour. No piercings are permitted. If ears are going to be pierced, please do this in the first few days of the holiday as students will be required to remove earrings in school. I am sure I have your support with this. Thank you as well for the positive response to my letter of May 2019 outlining our high expectations with regard to behaviour and appearance. This continued positive partnership is key to your son/daughter's happiness and success at school.

This year saw the introduction of a new system in the Art and Design Technology department which aimed to ensure the efficient and effective delivery of practical lessons. These changes involved asking for a small contribution to materials at the start of every year and, for Food Technology only, a weekly contribution for each practical lesson. This system has proved very successful and will continue. A summary is given below. Please contact Mr Reese if you have any queries.

KS3 Art & Design Technology - We will be requesting a £5 contribution for Art & Design Technology across the year. These contributions will enable us to continue making high quality products that your child can take home and enjoy for years to come.

- KS3 Food Technology - To ensure all students are able to complete practical lessons, an additional £1 contribution will be required for each practical lesson, which will cover the cost of ingredients and appropriate containers. Students will study Food Technology for one of the three school terms, with a maximum of 12 practical sessions over the term.
- GCSE Art, Textiles, Graphics & Engineering students - We will require a contribution of £10. This will cover all sketchbooks, a carry folder and any other relevant materials required across the year.

Could all monies be brought in upon your child's return to school in September to the main school office.

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It has also been brought to my attention that a growing number of students are going 'overdrawn' on their lunch accounts on a regular basis. Can I please ask that you ensure that your son/daughter has enough money to purchase the items they wish to buy each day. If you feel that you may be eligible for free school meals please use the following link <https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims-trafford> and complete the relevant form.

We have also been contacted by Transport for Greater Manchester with regard to school bus fare increases and these are shown below. IGO cards are needed to ensure your son/daughter receives the reduced fare.

Fare Type	Old (£)	New (£)
Child Single (IGO)	1.35	1.40
Child Single (no IGO)	1.75	1.80
Child Return	2.30	2.40
Child Weekly	7.30	7.40
Adult Single	2.70	2.80

Thank you for your support over this last academic year and for this continuing into the next one. I wish you all a safe and restorative summer break.

With kind regards,

Mrs F Wright - Headteacher

Wellbeing Walks – return to office

I give permission for my son/daughter to participate in Wellbeing Walks on Urmston Meadows.

Student name and form –

Parent signature -

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