

10th June 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Well, we won't forget this academic year will we?! Hopefully things we will be more 'normal' in September. Please feel assured there are detailed plans in place, rigorous risk assessments have been considered and completed and the safety of your son/daughter continues to be paramount. School will be different at the start of the next academic year but we hope to be able to move towards a new 'normality' with our students working with us, in the best interests of their education and safety.

Under usual circumstances, we would celebrate the end of the school year with a mass for all students at St Hugh's. As an alternative, I am delighted that Father Ged has agreed to celebrate mass for us at 9:30am on Monday 13th July 2020 via a live link on the Facebook page of St Antony of Padua Parish. It would be wonderful to have as many parents and students as possible joining with us at this mass.

By the time you read this letter, we will have invited and safely welcomed back, for at least one session, all but those in Year 7 (who will be in on Wednesday 15th). It has been wonderful to see you all and how much you have grown, and we are looking forward to having you all back in September.

With so many months of school lost, many of you may wish to continue with some school work during the summer break. Miss Lambert has put together a set of academic challenges for Summer 2020 (see website) which you can complete to keep your brains and bodies ticking over. The following DfE link may also be of interest.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-online-education-resources?fbclid=IwAR3LR63YK4Yenph6kDonwRKzO9b3p8Dug3-GRIJCMqtfil9F48z5Fb_cC4o

New Year 7 students will start back on 7th September with a full day to support their transition, with Years 10 and 11 returning on 8th September and Years 8 and 9 on 9th September. This staggered start will enable us to ensure that all new routines are firmly established. More detailed information will be provided towards the end of the summer break via the school website and Facebook page so please view these frequently. We will continue with our high expectations in terms of behaviour, uniform and engagement in learning. It will be more important than ever that students come equipped with their Super Seven (pen, pencil, rubber, green pen, ruler, scientific calculator and reading book) as the sharing of equipment will be very restricted in September. All usual school rules will apply, with health and safety remaining a priority.

To ensure that we are fully prepared for a full return, from both an educational and a wellbeing point of view, it is essential that all students complete the two 2 minute surveys applicable to their current year group. Please share the relevant year group links with them and support your son/daughter in their completion.

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<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/P5BTFFW> Y10 Sept Ready

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/6MWCCSK> Y10 Academic Survey

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/68ZGBGT> Y9 Sept Ready

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/6XY76V9> Y9 Academic Survey

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/6VK73GH> Y8 Sept Ready

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/6XZKN8T> Y8 Academic Survey

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/67RBP33> Y7 Sept Ready

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/6NN2N8W> Y7 Academic Survey

As you are aware, we recently became St Antony's Roman Catholic School, a voluntary academy, in partnership with the Emmaus Trust. Next time you receive a letter from school, it is likely that it will show our new logo which we are excited about. Our Mission Statement remains the same and we look forward to the light and splendour of Christ continuing to shine from within all our students and staff as a new 'normality' returns in September.

Thank you in advance for your continued support. Have a wonderful summer break.

With kind regards,



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