



13<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

As another busy term concludes, I have been extremely impressed with how the students have demonstrated the school values. During lesson time, I have seen students recognise the purpose of the curriculum pillars to help them achieve the learning focus. They have also taken to Google Classroom to complete ongoing preparation or consolidation tasks.

In other news the school has celebrated the official GCSE results with a confirmed Progress 8 score of 0.88, this places the school in the top 3% Nationally. This is a reflection of the shared dedication from both the teachers and the Year 11 students.

The return of face to face parents' evenings was welcomed by Year 12 Parents last week, and we look forward to meeting all of our new Year 7 Parents/Carers this Thursday. The school remains committed to keeping parents informed of both the learning taking place and the progress each student is making throughout the academic year.

During form time this term we have delivered a sequence of sessions on both "Forming Caring Relationships" and "Building Your Resilience". These invaluable character traits have helped our students support one another with the current conflict in the Middle East and as a school we continue to support students from all communities who have been affected.

Finally, Year 11 and 13 students have been fully committed during their mock examinations and have demonstrated a high level of professionalism in both their preparation and conduct throughout this assessment period. We look forward to sharing their results with them in the New Year.

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I would like to remind parents/carers of the following dates.

### **Last Day of Term**

Please note that school will end for students at the following times on **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2023**:

12.10pm – <b>Year 11</b>	12.25pm – <b>Year 8</b>
12.10pm – <b>Year 12</b>	12.35pm – <b>Year 9</b>
12.20pm – <b>Year 7</b>	12.35pm – <b>Year 10</b>

No hot meals will be available on that day. Food will be available for those students entitled to free school meals at break time.

During the holiday period the school will be closed from 1pm on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2023 and will re-open on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

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### **First Day of Term**

The new term starts for all students at **8:40 am** on **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024**. It will be **Week 2** of the timetable.

A small number of timetable changes will occur at the start of next term. All the changes will ensure that the curriculum continues to be delivered to a high standard. Please feel free to contact the school should the need arise. In most cases, the relevant person to contact will be the Head of Faculty.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support during this term and on behalf of all the staff, may I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a prosperous and safe New Year.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'B Dhinsa', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Mr B Dhinsa  
**Head Teacher**