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16th December 2025

Dear Parent / Carer,

I write with a number of brief reminders and to outline a change in how we start the day.

Changes to start of the day

As you are aware, we currently open the school to pupils at 7.50am. We intend to maintain this provision.

However, in order to ensure the safe supervision of pupils who arrive early we will be making the following changes from the start of the new term:

- 1) Children who arrive between 7.50am and 8.10am will be supervised by me in the reception area ('the rainbow chairs').
- 2) At 8.10am, as more children arrive, children will be able to sit in the Canteen, Main Hall and Small Canteen supervised by SLT and other staff.
- 3) The Art department offer early morning boosters for GCSE pupils in Room 33 from 8.00am on Thursdays and Fridays.
- 4) Children who normally access Learning Support before school will still be able to do so.
- 5) At 8.40am pupils will head to form.
- 6) Our current mobile phone ban from 8.45am will be changed to mobile phones off and in bags upon entry to school, to avoid any phone or social media-related issues when children are gathered in Hall etc.

Christmas Jumpers, Christmas present and Early Finish on Friday 19th December

Pupils will be dismissed from lessons at 12.40pm on Friday. There will be packed lunches available for collection for any pupil who wants one in the canteen after 12.40pm. Pupils are welcome to replace their normal school jumper with a Christmas jumper if they wish on Friday. All pupils will receive a festive treat (a cookie) on Friday.

Year 8 Non-Uniform Day on Thursday 18th December

For achieving the best attendance in the last week and a half, Year 8s have the option of wearing non-uniform if they wish to on Thursday. Pupils in Year 8 who are performing in the concert on Thursday need to make sure they have their uniform in school to wear for the concert in the evening.

Return to School - Tuesday 6th January 2026

Teachers are participating in the King Edward VI Foundation Training Day on Monday 5th January 2026. Pupils will return to school as normal on Tuesday 6th January 2026.

Headteacher: Mr Neil Jones



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Year 11 Parents Evening – Thursday 8th January 2026

We would like to offer parents and carers of Year 11 the opportunity to discuss your child's progress with their teachers in school on Thursday 8th January 2026, 4pm to 7pm. Parents' Evenings are an important event in the school year and provide you with an opportunity to discuss your child's current progress and achievements.

Parents of Year 11s will be sent a separate Arbor message with all the information on how to book appointments. Appointments can be made from Wednesday 17th December at 6pm. With all appointments taking place in a school hall, we anticipate the evening being easier and faster for parents than visiting classrooms.

In closing, I would like to wish you and your family a restful and happy Christmas break.

Yours faithfully

Neil Jones
Headteacher