

Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome to St Aidan's school. I hope both yourself and your child have had a relaxing summer and are excited and enthusiastic about the academic year ahead. In this letter I wanted to highlight some of the key events that happen in year 7. The school calendar is available on the St Aidan's web site (<u>www.staidans.co.uk</u>) along with copies of any letters we send out. To find Year 7 letters click 'Parents info' at the top of the page then select letters.

On October 21<sup>st</sup> there will be an opportunity to meet your child's Form Tutor. This will take place after school in the Main Hall. Students will organise an appointment with their Form Tutors nearer the time.

At three points in the year your child will bring home a Progress Review. Progress Review 1 will be sent home on the 16<sup>th</sup> October and will focus on your child's attitude to learning in each subject using the school's CODE system (for more information about CODE please see the poster overleaf or you are welcome to attend the Key stage 3 information evening also on October 16<sup>th</sup>). Progress Review 2 will be sent home on January 31<sup>st</sup> and will report both your child's attitude to learning and the progress they are making. Progress Review 3 will be sent home on July 15<sup>th</sup> and will report on both attitude to learning and progress.

At the beginning of the summer term there will be a full parents evening. This is an opportunity to get feedback from your child's teachers. This will be from 16:30 in the Main Hall on Thursday April 23<sup>rd</sup> for forms C,D,E,G and Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> for forms P,S,W,Y. Students will organise appointments nearer the time.

In the first week of October the residential 'Bushcraft' trip takes place. The trip runs from Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October. The letter sent out in your welcome pack is available on the school website. A further equipment list letter will be sent out shortly. Please contact me at school if you have any queries about the trip.

On Wednesday December 4<sup>th</sup>, we take a trip to see a Pantomime. This will take place during the afternoon, and students return to school after the school busses have left. Letters will be sent out with further details nearer the time.

On the final day of the winter term (Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December) there will be a Christingle service for our year 7 students. Parents are welcome to attend this service which takes place at 13:15 in Constance Green Hall. A letter with further details will be sent out nearer the time. There are many other events that take place at St Aidan's during the year which may affect your child, and I would encourage you to look at the school calendar on our website. During the year you can contact the school by either ringing the school office on 01423 885814 or by email using the email address <u>admin@staidans.co.uk</u>. At times important information may be sent home by email. Please make sure that the school has a working email address on record that you check regularly.

Yours sincerely

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