

To all USH Parents
(sent via email)

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12th July 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to you to give you some information about the end of term and the key dates for the next academic year.

On Friday 21st July (last day of term) we will be having a non-uniform day where we will ask our students to bring in some money to donate to the school's nominated charity for this year, No Limits. We will close at 1.05pm on the last day of term and those students in receipt of Free School Meals can collect a packed lunch at break time. If, for any reason, you would like your child to remain at school until the end of the normal school day, please can you contact their Head of Year to confirm that you would like do this.

We also wanted to take this opportunity to confirm arrangements for the new academic year. This includes the first week as well as initial dates for your diary.

Monday 4th September 2017 – this is an INSET day.

Tuesday 5th September 2017 – our new **Year 7** and **Year 11** will be starting school at 8.30am (not Years 8, 9 and 10). They will be spending the part of the day with their tutors, finding out their new timetable and making plans for the coming year. They will begin their normal timetabled lessons during period 2 (9.50am).

Wednesday 6th September 2017 – **Years 8, 9 and 10** – this is their first day at school and will be starting at 8.30am. They will then They will begin their normal timetabled lessons during period 2 (9.50am). **Year 7 and 11** will also be in at 8.30am and will be with their tutors for the first hour and a half, continuing with the work they started the day before.

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Our INSET Days for the coming year are:

Monday 4th September 2017
Thursday 21st December 2017
Monday 12th March 2018
Friday 22nd June 2018
Wednesday 25th July 2018

We have also confirmed the dates of our Parents Evenings. These will be:

Meet the tutor:	28 th September 2017
Year 11 Parents Evening 1:	12 th October 2017
Y11 Exam Feedback Evening:	2 nd November 2017
Y10 Parents Evening:	7 th December 2017
Y11 Parents Evening 2:	24 th January 2018
Y7 Parents Evening	22 nd February 2018
Y8 Options Evening:	15 th March 2018
Y8 Parents Evening:	22 nd March 2018
Y9 Parents Evening:	26 th April 2018

This information is also available on our website and in the unlikely event that we have to make changes, we will publish these as soon as we possibly can. In the meantime, we wish you an enjoyable holiday and we look forward to seeing your children in September.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stuart Woods', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Stuart Woods
Headteacher