

### **Thursday, 11 July 2024**

Dear Parents/Carers

As we approach the end of the summer term, I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents and carers for their support of the Academy. The collaboration and partnership between home and the Academy is significant to its continued success to ensure our students develop into effective young people.

### **End of Term – 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July will be an academy rewards day in school with the opportunity for students to take part in activities including indoor and outdoor sports, inflatables, music, and rewards assemblies. Students should wear their PE kit on this day, and the academy rules of no jewellery or make up still apply.

Weather permitting, some activities will be taking place outside so students are encouraged to bring sun cream and their reusable water bottle. There will also be an ice cream van so students will need to bring money if they wish to purchase an ice cream.

The Academy will close to students at 12pm on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024. Service buses will not be offering an additional service at this time therefore please where possible make alternative arrangements. Our school minibus will be available, but only has limited capacity.

### **September 2024**

As we prepare for the next academic year, I would like to remind you of some essential information and to reiterate the expectations we have for all our students.

### **MCAS (My Child at School)**

Our main form of communication between the Academy and home is electronic e.g., email, text, app message. Your child's progress, achievements and successes will be communicated in this way. Please download the MCAS app to your chosen device from the App Store or MyChildAtSchool - Login. This is a free communication system. You can create an account using your email address and mobile number.

### **School Photographs**

We have arranged for a photographer to come into school on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September to take photographs of students in all year groups. You will be able to order the photographs directly from the photography company and they will be delivered to your home address.

### **Attendance**

We expect all students to attend the Academy each day unless there is a valid and justified reason. Students must attend to achieve and every lesson matters.

Students should arrive at the Academy by no later than 8.15am and be in their period 1 classroom by 8.20 am.

If your child is absent from the Academy, please send a message via the My Child at School App every day to give a reason for the absence. Staff are also available to take attendance calls from 7.30am onwards; however, where possible we would ask that you use the app.

We ask where possible to make any appointments including medical, after academy hours. If this is not possible, we would suggest any appointments are made towards the end of the academy day, so that your child misses the minimum amount of valuable learning from their lesson. Where possible, students should be collected from reception for appointments by parents/carers or a responsible adult. Please provide proof of the appointment to allow us to authorise the absence, the academy cannot authorise all day absences for medical/doctor's appointments.

### **Planners, Knowledge Organiser and Reading Book**

Students must have their planners, Knowledge Organiser and reading book every day. These are all an essential part of their learning equipment. The planner is their 'passport to learning' and is a method that we use to communicate between school and home. Students will be given a new knowledge organiser at different points throughout the year. The reading book will be tracked through our academy 'Reading Routes' programme. All this equipment is used throughout the entire academic year and should be kept in the best condition possible, if a new equipment needs to be purchased this should be done promptly through the online payments section of the MCAS app.

### **Academy Uniform**

Ensuring students are in the correct uniform is an integral and compulsory part of the Academy expectations. All students must arrive at the Academy wearing the correct uniform. The Academy reserves the right to address any uniform issues that are deemed as unacceptable.

If students choose to wear a skirt as part of their uniform this must be pleated, black, and knee length. Non branded pleated skirts can be purchased directly through SPT, our uniform suppliers, or alternatively they can be purchased from other school uniform suppliers and local supermarkets. Plain black tights must be worn with a skirt, a minimum of 40 denier.

Shoes must be plain black and polishable with no embellishments, bows, or badges. Please note that no adjustments will be made to girls' shoes to cover embellishments, in particular the 'Vivienne Westwood' style shoes. Jewellery and smart watches, including fitbits, are not permitted.

We have arranged for SPT Uniforms to run a 'Pop Up Shop' in the academy on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August, **10.30a.m. – 1.00 p.m.** Uniform can be purchased, returned, ordered, or exchanged on this date.

Alternatively uniform can be purchased online via [www.spt-uniforms.co.uk](http://www.spt-uniforms.co.uk).

### **Academy Holiday and Term dates**

Please see the academy website ([Term Dates - Rossington All Saints Academy \(theallsaints.net\)](http://theallsaints.net)) for the holiday and term dates for the forthcoming academic year.

### **School Buses**

School bus information for September 2024 will be available for parents and pupils at <https://travelsouthyorkshire.com/en-GB/LandingPage/school-buses>. Please monitor this site for up-to-date information. If you have any concerns about home to school transport for the next academic year or want

further information, please contact Travel South Yorkshire via the link <https://travelsouthyorkshire.com/en-gb/contact>.

**New Academic Year 2024/2025**

The Academy will reopen to students as follows:

**Students in Year 7 and 11**

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024**

**All students**

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

Finally, we would like to take this opportunity to wish you a happy and restful summer and look forward to seeing all students in September.

Yours sincerely



Mrs Parker-Browne  
Associate Principal