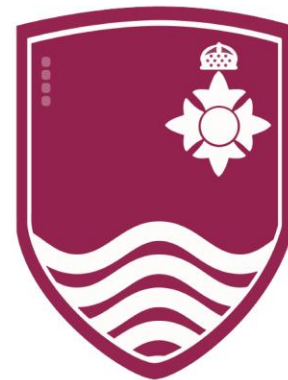


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Date: 14th July 2026



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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of what has been a very busy summer term. I am writing to thank you for all your continued support throughout this academic year.

PUPILS BREAK UP ON FRIDAY 17TH JULY AT 3:10PM

Our term dates for academic year 2026/27 can be found on our website. Our term commences on **Tuesday 2nd September 2026** as follows, our school site opens from 8.00am for Breakfast Club and in line with the new school day timings:

DAY	DATE
Tuesday 1st September	INSET DAY – PUPILS NOT IN SCHOOL
Wednesday 2nd September	Year 7 – 9.00am Line Up – 3.00pm finish Year 8, 9 and 10 – NOT IN SCHOOL Year 11 – 9.00am Line Up – 3.30pm finish Year 13 – NOT IN SCHOOL
Thursday 3 rd September	Year 7 – 9.00am Line Up – 3.00pm finish Year 8, 9, 10, 11 and 13 – 9.00am Line Up – 3.30pm finish
Friday 4th September	Year 7 – 9.00am Line Up – 3.00pm finish Year 8, 9, 10, 11 and 13 – 9.00am Line Up – 3.30pm finish

Can I please remind you that parents/carers will not be allowed to drop off or collect pupils from site for health and safety reasons. Parents and carers must arrange for the safe drop off and collection of their child away from school site. Please consider our neighbours and do not block driveways. Year 7 will depart school at 3.00pm on Wednesday 2nd, Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th September.



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Please also be aware that our Open Evening for prospective Year 6 parents/carers will be on Thursday 17th September. The school will close early that day to allow the school to be cleaned and ready for Open Evening. More information will be sent closer to the date.

Attendance

As we have previously communicated, the Government has taken increasingly robust action to address the rising issue of pupil absence and to reinforce the expectation that all children attend school regularly. As a school, we fully support this national priority and remain committed to ensuring that every pupil can access the education they are legally entitled to receive.

In line with statutory guidance, schools are legally required to monitor attendance closely and to escalate concerns where pupils are missing significant amounts of education, whether through unauthorised absence or absence without sufficient justification. When attendance concerns reach a certain threshold, schools must refer families to the Local Authority's Education Legal Intervention Team.

Medical conditions

If your child has a medical healthcare plan, we will require a signed copy of this to be held in school.

Additionally, should your child have a medical condition which requires them to have medication in school, please contact Reception on Tuesday 1st September to arrange to bring in the medication and to complete the relevant paperwork. Please note that we are unable to administer any medication without written consent from parents/carers. If your child requires an EpiPen or Inhaler, please ensure they always carry this with them. In the case of EpiPens, we ask that a second, named emergency EpiPen is also provided to be stored safely in school for use if needed. These should be brought to Reception along with any necessary paperwork.

We do currently hold some emergency EpiPen's on site; however, many are close to expiry. If this applies to your child, please ensure you provide the school with a new, in-date emergency EpiPen for storage for the new academic year.

Equipment

Pupils are responsible for ensuring that they have all essential minimum equipment each day. Please support us by providing a black pen, green pen, pencil, and ruler. Your child will be given a planner on their first day. Equipment checks will take place regularly throughout the year.

Bikes

If your child travels to school by bike, they should bring a bike lock with them and ensure their bike is locked in our bike store. We also recommend that pupils wear helmets when cycling to and from school.

Uniform

Please find detailed a reminder of our uniform requirements. <https://decschool.co.uk/uniform/>. All pupils must wear full school uniform on the way to and from school.

Uniform checks will take place regularly throughout the year.

Results Day

- A-level results will be released to pupils on Thursday 13th August 8:00am – 10:00am.
- GCSE results day is on Thursday 20th August from 8:00am – 10:00am.

School Photographs

Year 7 school photographs are currently scheduled for Thursday 3rd September 2026. This is subject to change.



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I hope all our parents and carers have a great summer break and I look forward to working in partnership with you all again in September, as we STRIVE for Excellence.

Yours Sincerely,

Chris Seager



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