



June 2026

Dear parent/carer

Re: Arrangements for the last day of term and for students return in September 2026

I would like to take this opportunity to update you with the arrangements for the last day of term which is Friday 17 July 2026 as well as updating you on our plans for the students' return in September 2026.

On Friday 17 July the school day will finish by 12.00pm. Students who are entitled to free school meals will be able to collect a packed lunch at break time, but we will not be providing any other canteen service for lunch. The schedule for the day is as follows:

- 8.45am to 9.30am: Period 1
- 9.30am to 10.30am: Period 2
- 10.30am to 11.00am: Break
- 11.00am to 12.00pm: Period 3

Start of Year Arrangements September 2026

Thursday 3 September 2026

Year 7: (Current Year 6) - Students to arrive at school to start the school day for 8.40am and go to the sports hall. Period 1 (8.45am – 9.15am) and period 2 (9.15am – 10.15am) in with Mentor in mentor room. Period 3 (10.15am) onwards normal lessons.

Year 12: (current Year 11) - Students to arrive at school to start the school day for 8.45am and go to T Block.

Friday 4 September 2026

All students from all year groups: To arrive at school to start the school day for 8.40am and go to their period 1 mentor rooms. Period 2 will be in mentor groups with normal lessons starting for everyone Period 3. Students will be able to find their mentor rooms (and timetables) by looking on the MCAS app on the morning of their return to school.

It seems an appropriate time to remind both new and existing parents/carers of the high standards we expect at school and the importance of ensuring that your child has the appropriate uniform and equipment ready for the start of the new academic year in September.

Please note the following expectations for uniform and equipment:

- All black leather (or leather look) shoes must be worn. No coloured logos or sole – canvas shoes or boots are not appropriate.
- No tight/cropped trousers or leggings– please see the uniform policy for acceptable trousers/skirts. These must be grey and not black.
- No lycra/tight fitting skirts- skirts should be worn at knee length at all times.
- Blazers and ties are compulsory **and need to be worn from the start of the day and entering and leaving every lesson.** Jumpers are optional – to be worn under the blazer if desired.
- Students are not allowed to wear hoodies, tracksuit tops or similar items at all in school.
- Baseball caps are also a prohibitive item in school.
- Only two pairs of stud earrings can be worn in ears and one small ring are allowed. No facial piercings, the only additional jewellery that is allowed is a watch.
- No nail varnish or gel/acrylic nails.
- Students are not allowed to have unnatural/bright coloured hair either due to dying or having hair braids.

Please get in touch with the school if you need support in providing your child with the appropriate uniform.



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In terms of being ready to learn, students should have a pencil case that includes the Finham Five as a minimum:

- calculator
- timetable (printed or handwritten for the day)
- ball point pen (black or blue)
- pencil
- ruler

We also recommend, to support learning in lessons, a range of coloured pens; pencil sharpener; rubber; glue stick and highlighters. We further suggest that students bring a suitable reading book to school with them.

As a reminder students need to be on school site for 8.40am at the latest as at this point exterior gates will be locked and students will need to enter through our late gate process. Once on site we ask all students to ensure they move to period 1 (mentor period) ready for a 8.45am start to the day.

Finally, we would like to remind parents, carers and students of our expectations with regards to mobile phones from September 2026:

Year 7 students:

- A **full smartphone and smart device ban** will be in place.
- Students will not be permitted to bring smartphones or smart devices into school.

Years 8–11:

- A **full smart device ban** with the exception of smartphones.
- We **strongly discourage** students from bringing smartphones into school.
- If a device is needed for communication, we recommend a **basic (non-smart) phone**.
- If a smartphone is brought into school, it must be: Switched off
- **Stored in bags (not in clothing)** between 8:45am and 3:15pm

Any phone seen or used during the day will be **confiscated** for a significant period of time. A parent/carer will be required to collect the item at the end of the confiscation period. The confiscated period will increase across the year and will include weekends and school holidays:

- Autumn term: 1 week
- Spring term: 2 weeks
- Summer term: 3 weeks

From September 2027

There will be a full smartphone and smart device ban for all students in the main school (Years 7–11).

We hope all students enjoy their summer and feel refreshed for the new year at school in September.

Yours faithfully

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