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Dear Parent / Carer,

As we head towards the end of the school year, we wanted to ensure that you have all the information you need about the end of the school year and the start of the academic year.

End of term July 2019

Monday 15 th July	Normal lessons
Tuesday 16 th July	Normal lessons
Wednesday 17 th July	Sports Day at Monkton Stadium
Thursday 18 th July:	Activities Day - each year group will have a different visit out of school (pupils will bring home a letter about this)
Friday 19 th July	Last day of term. This will be normal lessons in the morning and school will finish at 12.35pm (start of lunch). If a pupil is unable to go home at lunchtime, please contact your child's Key Stage Coordinator and your child will be supervised. If your child requires lunch, sandwiches will be available.

TERM DATES 2019 - 10

Term will start on Wednesday 4th September 2019 for Year 7 and 11 from 8.30am - 2.00pm
Term will start on Thursday 5th September 2019 for Year 8,9 and 10 from 8.30am - 2.50pm

STAFF TRAINING DAYS

Pupils will not be in school on the following dates:

2nd September 2019

3rd September 2019

14th February 2020

26th June 2020

SCHOOL HOLIDAY DATES 2019 - 20

Holiday	School breaks up at end of day on:	Return to school 8.30am
Autumn half term 2019	Friday 25 October	Monday 4 November
Christmas 2019	Friday 20 December	Monday 06 January
Spring half term 2020	Friday 14 February	Monday 24 February
Easter 2020	Friday 03 April	Monday 20 April
Summer half term 2020	Friday 22 May	Monday 01 June
Summer 2020	Friday 17 July	Tuesday 01 September

Please note that the May Bank Holiday has changed from 4th May 2020 to 8th May 2020.

Please see the attached information about uniform, equipment and mobile phones.

If there is any other information you need, please consult the school website or call us on 0191 2005062.

Yours faithfully,



Mrs L Roderick
Head of School

Uniform

Uniform is important - it sets a standard, represents the school with pride and ensures pupils look smart daily. Please make sure your child is in full uniform and has a pen, pencil ruler and bag every day and their PE kit on the day they have PE.

We will be checking uniform and school equipment every day and contacting any parent whose child is not following our expectations. Our uniform is very simple. It has not changed. If there is a short term issue with uniform, please send in a note explaining the problem. If there is a longer term problem, please contact us for support.

Item	Uniform	NOT Uniform and Unacceptable
Trousers	Black smart school trousers. Full length.	Leggings, jeans, jeggings, shorts, ski-pants, cropped trousers, tracksuit bottoms. Any other colour of trousers.
Skirt	Black. Knee length or slightly longer. Worn with black opaque tights.	Any other colour of skirt Skirt shorter than knee length
Shoes	Polishable plain black school shoes - leather or vinyl.	Trainers, canvas or suede shoes or any other soft material. No coloured laces/stripes or trimmings. No Vans or Converse.
Jumper	Black school jumper with our logo	No other colour or logos.
Shirt School Tie	Plain white shirt worn under the sweatshirt. School Tie.	No other colour or patterning. NOT a polo shirt.
Make-up	Minimal and subtle make-up is allowed	Heavy make-up and false eyelashes must be removed completely on arrival at school
Piercings	Ear piercings - small pair of stud earrings or a small sleeper.	Any other piercings e.g. nose, throat, lip piercings, or ear spacers must be removed or the pupil will work in isolation until they are removed.
Hair	Hair colour should be natural and styles not extreme.	Hair coloured pink, blue etc. It will need to be re-dyed to a natural hair colour.

Equipment

Every pupil should have a school bag, pens, pencils and a ruler every day. They will need it every lesson. Our stationery shop will sell basic equipment - pens, pencils, rulers at cost price before school, at Break and lunchtime. Teachers will not be giving out equipment in lessons.

Mobile phones

Phones must be switched off as pupils arrive at school. They are not to be switched on or used at all in the building. If you need to contact your child urgently during the day, please ring Reception on 0191 2005062 and a message will be taken to your child. Our staff are always happy to help.

Drinks

Pupils are allowed a bottle of water or flavoured water. No fizzy drinks, juice or energy drinks are allowed. Energy drinks will be taken away from pupils.