

19th May 2023

Arrangements for May Half Term Break

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you are all keeping safe and well. This letter contains updates about the May half-term break.

Students in Years 7-10 and Year 12 will break up for the May half term on **Friday 26th May**. The school day will finish at their normal time of 3:20pm. Students will return to school at 8.20am on **Monday 5th June**, which will be Week 2 on their timetable. Year 11 students are expected to attend school as per the Year 11 timetable which will be shared separately with Year 11 students and parents. Arrangements for Year 13 have already been communicated by the Sixth Form Leadership Team.

Uniform

Uniform is an integral part of life at ACS. As we move into the warmer weather, we would like to remind parents/carers that all students in Years 7 – 11 are expected to follow the Uniform Policy. Although most of our students are dressed in the correct uniform, some students are not complying with the uniform policy.

As stated in the School Uniform Policy, students must wear grey trousers or skirts, school tie and blazer, sensible, plain black leather polishable shoes. Black trainers are NOT part of the school uniform and are not acceptable footwear. Socks are not to be worn over tights. Skirts must be knee length, or ankle length and socks should be below the knee. Students should not wear hoodies and blazers must be worn under coats. Hijabs must be grey. False eyelashes, nail polish and false nails should not be worn. Please note that members of staff check uniform at the school gates on arrival, in registration and lessons. There will be ongoing rigorous checks conducted by staff and sanctions will be issued for persistent uniform issues.

Please make sure you provide a note if there is a valid reason for any uniform issue.

Attendance:

During this term we will continue to maintain a strong focus on the attendance of all students. As set out in the Home School Agreement, the school expects a minimum attendance of 95%. Any students who fall below 95% attendance will be monitored by the Attendance Officer, who will contact parents via telephone or in writing and will also contact the Brent Education Welfare Officer if the absences become persistent.

Wishing the ACS community an enjoyable and restful half term break.



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