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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you and your families are well.

Below is a summary of our final week of term arrangements, together with the timings of GCSE and A level Results Days and the arrangements for the first week of school in September 2023.

Our last week of the school year:

Monday 17th July This is a normal school day with a slightly early finish, as is our custom (dismissal at 2.00pm for Year 7/8 and 2.10pm for all other students). This is to allow for our Mass for staff leavers. School Uniform/Sixth Form Dress Code should be worn by all students.

Tuesday 18th July **Sports Activity Day for Years 7-10 students.** Normal School day timings. Students will take part in a range of sports and fitness activities. Students should wear their St Mary's PE kit.

Work experience placements for Year 12 students. Year 12 students will complete work experience placements outside of school or work experience activities in school.

Wednesday 19th July **Activity Day for Years 7-10 students.** Students will arrive and leave school at normal school times. Students will take part in a Cinema Day trip or in-school activities. Students can wear non-uniform.

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Thursday 20th July This is a normal school day in lessons, with normal school-day timings. Students will complete work in lessons on the theme of Equality and Diversity. School Uniform/Sixth Form Dress Code should be worn by all students.

Friday 21st July This is a normal school day with an early finish, as is our custom. Students will be taking part in an End of Year Mass. Year 12 students will leave school by lunchtime, with all other students being dismissed from about 1.20pm. School Uniform/Sixth Form Dress Code should be worn by all students.

We would also usually have a Summer Music Concert in the last week of term. Unfortunately, due to unforeseen circumstances, we must postpone this concert until the autumn term. We look forward to inviting parents and carers to this concert next term.

Important August and September dates:

Thursday 17th August A Level results from **8.00am – 11.00am**

More info about the Results Days will be shared with Year 11 and 13 Parents/Carers in due course.

Thursday 24th August GCSE results from **8.00am – 11.00am**

Tuesday 5th September **New Year 7 and Year 12 return only (Year 7 8.40am–3.00pm, Year 12 8.40am-12.15pm)**

Wednesday 6th September All other year groups return to school - Years 8 to 11 and Year 13 (**8.40am to 3.10pm**)



The school term dates and holidays for 2023-2024 are available on the school website. Please note that every school day runs from 8.40am to 3.10pm (with some Period 6 lessons for Year 12/13 students only, until 4.10pm on some days). We will continue to dismiss Year 7 and Year 8 students at the earlier time of 3.00pm. This is to help avoid overcrowding at the Metro station.

I wish you all the best for a wonderful summer with your families and we look forward to welcoming back all of our current students and the new starters into Year 7 in September. Thank you for all of your support over the last twelve months.

Very best wishes,



Miss Patterson
Headteacher

