

28 July 2025

Dear Parent(s)/Adult(s) with Parental Responsibility,

1.Good News - Celebrating a successful Summer Term 2025

The latest version of The Sarah Bonnell News is on our school website ready for you to read. The Summer issue shines a light on the many achievements of our brilliant students and staff. **#SBonnellGirlsWhoCan**

2.Getting the new school year off to a great start - information meetings for parents/ adults with parental responsibility

Following the success of last year's information evenings for parents, we are busy planning these for September 2025. These meetings are held in school and will last about an hour. You will have a chance to meet key leaders for the Year group and learn about important information about the year ahead - dates for exams, assessments, parents evening, school celebrations and an overview of the topics your child will be studying in each subject.

We will also share tips for supporting your child's learning in school and at home and reminders about the importance of working together to ensure they take up every opportunity to thrive at school.

We will also share key expectations for student conduct and behaviour and other key policies. Please make a note of the following meeting dates. We look forward to seeing you and strengthening the way we work together to secure your child's progress and wellbeing.

Year 8 and Year 9Monday 8 September1700 -1800Year 10 and Year 11Wednesday 10 September1700 -1800

3. Uniform - Be proud

All students are required to wear full and correct Sarah Bonnell Uniform. Please ensure that your daughter has a full and correct uniform ready for a positive start to the new school year.

4. Term Dates for 2025-26

Please find enclosed information, already on the school website, about the term dates for next school year. You will remember that we have moved to a 2 week October half-term break across the NCL Trust

Autumn Term 1

Tuesday 2 September 2025 – Friday 17 October 2025

Half term holiday – Monday 20 October 2025 – Friday 31 October 2025 (**2 week break**) Additional school closures – Monday 1 September: School Staff Learning Day

Autumn Term 2

Monday 3 November 2025 - Friday 19 December 2025

Winter holiday – Monday 22 December 2025 – Friday 02 January 2026 Additional school closures – Friday 21 November 2025: NCL Learning Day (school closed to students)

Spring Term 1

Monday 5 January 2026 – Friday 13 February 2026 Half term holiday – Monday 16 February 2026 – Friday 20 February 2026

Spring Term 2

Monday 23 February 2026 – Friday 27 March 2026 Spring holiday – Monday 30 March 2026 – Friday 10 April 2026 Additional school closures - Friday 20 March 2026 (all NCL schools closed for Eid)

Summer Term 1

Monday 13 April 2026 – Friday 22 May 2026 Half term holiday – Monday 25 May 2026 – Friday 29 May 2026 Additional school closures – May Day: Monday 4 May 2026

Summer Term 2

Monday 1 June 2026 – Friday 17 July 2026 Summer holiday: Monday 20 July 2026 to TBC

Start of Term arrangements - September 2025

We look forward to welcoming all students and staff back to a new school year in September. Arrangements for the start of term are as follows for each year group:

Monday 1 September 2025 Staff Professional Learning Day (School is closed for all students)

Tuesday 2 September 2025 Year 7 attend school **all day 8.30 - 3.00pm** for a day of induction

Year 8-11 attend school for induction session from 10.00 -11.30am only.

Wednesday 3 September 2023 Timetabled lessons for all students at usual time of 8.30 - 3.00pm

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support of our wonderful school and wish you a safe and restful summer.

Yours faithfully,

Rae Potter - Headteacher