

17th July 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

End of School Year 2026

As we reach the end of another successful academic year, I would like to take this opportunity to reflect on what has been a truly fantastic year at St Augustine's CE High School. It has been a year filled with achievement, opportunity and celebration, and I could not be prouder of everything our students have accomplished.

Throughout the year, our students have embraced every opportunity available to them, demonstrating our school vision of 'Being the Best that We Can Be' through their commitment, resilience and enthusiasm. They have represented the school with pride and have continued to live out our values of Integrity, Kindness, Respect, Perseverance, Courage, Joy and Wisdom in everything they do.

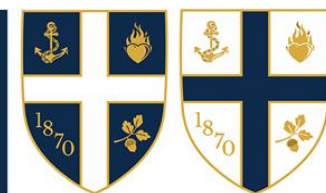
One of the greatest strengths of St Augustine's continues to be the wealth of Personal Development opportunities available to every student. This year has seen students participate in an extensive range of educational visits, careers events, enrichment activities, sporting competitions, leadership opportunities, performances, charitable events and community projects. These experiences help develop confident, compassionate and ambitious young people who are prepared for their future beyond school.

There have been so many memorable highlights across the year. Our annual Sports Day was a fantastic occasion, showcasing teamwork, determination and school spirit. Our music concerts, Artwork showcase and school play demonstrated the incredible talent and creativity of our students, whilst our many performances throughout the year have been enjoyed by parents, carers and the wider community.

We have also celebrated the achievements of our older students through the Year 11 Prom, Year 11 Graduation and Year 13 Graduation Celebration, recognising the commitment and success of our students as they move on to the next stage of their education and future careers. These events were wonderful celebrations and fitting recognition of their hard work over many years.

Student voice and leadership have continued to flourish, with students taking on a wide range of leadership responsibilities across the school. Our Sixth Form ambassadors continue to work effectively with our younger students, students from Year 9-12 have completed Peer Mentor Training this year and 30 Year 10 students have also completed Health Relationships and Respect Leadership Training.





As we come to the end of another academic year, I would like to sincerely thank all of our parents and carers for your continued support and partnership. Together we continue to create an environment where every child can flourish academically, socially and spiritually. I would also like to thank our dedicated staff and Governing Body for their unwavering commitment to ensuring every student receives the very best education and opportunities.

ParentPay Accounts

Please can all parents/carers ensure that their child(ren)'s ParentPay account is cleared and not in any debt **by Tuesday 21st July 2026**. If you require any support with setting up a payment plan or would like to discuss an extension to this date, please contact the Main Office.

We want to ensure that all students return in September with their accounts in credit. Where an account exceeds minus £5, students will continue to receive food but will be limited to a reduced menu until the account returns to credit.

Lost Property and Old School Uniform

If your child has misplaced any items of uniform or equipment, including PE bags or water bottles, please ask them to visit the Lost Property Store, located on the first floor next to the Year 7 Office. All unclaimed lost property will be donated to charity after **Tuesday 21st July 2026**, whilst any unclaimed school uniform will be washed and stored for future students.

If you have any unwanted school uniform or PE kit that is still in good condition, we would be extremely grateful if you could donate it to the school by **Tuesday 21st July 2026**. These donations make a significant difference to families within our school community.

Library Books

Please ensure that all library books are returned by **Tuesday 21st July 2026**. Parents/carers will be charged £5 via ParentPay for books that are lost or not returned, enabling us to replace them so that they remain available for all students.

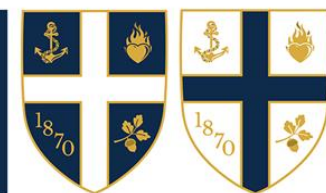
School Uniform and PE Kit

As previously communicated, students should wear either a plain navy-blue V-neck jumper or plain navy-blue V-neck cardigan with buttons (no zips). These items may be purchased from any retailer but must not contain logos, badges, patterns or embellishments. Outdoor coats should only be worn over the school blazer and not instead of it.

All students need to ensure they have a school tie, the school badge sewn or ironed onto their blazer and a lanyard and ID card for their first day in September. The tie, badge and lanyard/ID card can all be purchase on Parent Pay. Please keep these items safe over the summer.

If you need to purchase new PE kit ready for September, please place your orders as soon as possible to ensure delivery before students return to school - <https://www.mapac.com/education/parents/uniform/staugustinescehighnw65sn>





End of Term Arrangements

The final day of term is Wednesday 22nd July 2026 and will also be a **non-uniform day**. All students will be dismissed at the following times:

- Year 7 – Dismissed at 12pm
- Year 8 – Dismissed at 12pm
- Year 9 – Dismissed at 12.30pm
- Year 10 – Dismissed at 12.05pm
- Year 12 – Dismissed at 12.05pm

Term Dates

Term dates for 2026–2027 can be found on our school website. We will be contacting you in September with our Attendance expectations and a reminder that all medical/dental appointments should be made outside of the school day where possible. We will also provide you with our 2027-28 dates in September. Please ensure that any future holidays are booked outside of the published term time dates. <https://www.stahigh.org/parent-carer-information-2/term-dates/>

September 2026 Start Dates

- Wednesday 2nd September – Year 7 students only
- Thursday 3rd September – Year 7 and Year 12 students only
- Friday 4th September – Year 7 and Year 12 students only
- Monday 7th September – All students (Years 7–13)

As we approach the summer holidays, I would also like to remind parents and carers to continue speaking with their child about staying safe online and using social media responsibly. We encourage all students to continue demonstrating kindness, respect and good judgement both online and within the wider community throughout the summer break.

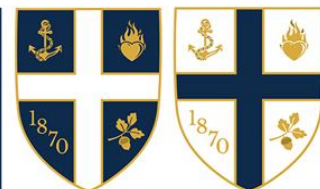
Mobile Phones

As you may be aware, the Department for Education has released further statutory guidance prohibiting the use of mobile phones in schools. Our current policy already prohibits the use of mobile phones and other smart devices in school but we will be sharing with students and parent/carers any updates in the new term. Any significant changes will be introduced for January 2027.

Free School Meal Summer Vouchers – Message from Westminster

Please note that, as outlined in our letter dated **18 May**, **Westminster residents only** will receive summer FSM vouchers. After this final distribution, the voucher scheme will come to an end. If your child remains eligible for Free School Meals, you can continue to access the Holiday Activities & Food (HAF) Programme, which provides free, enjoyable activities for





children together with a healthy meal during school holidays. You can find out more and sign up here: <https://ourcity.org.uk/haf-programme>

School Office Opening

The Main Office will be open from **Monday 24th August to Friday 28th August**, between 9.00am and 3.00pm, should you require any assistance before the start of the new academic year.

Finally, I would like to wish all of our students, parents, carers and families a safe, restful and enjoyable summer holiday. Thank you once again for your continued support throughout the year. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September for another exciting and successful year at St Augustine's CE High School.

Yours sincerely,

Rachel Kelly
Head of High School



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