



20th March 2023

Dear Families,

Thank you for your support as we approach the end of a busy and successful term. Next week is the last week of term and the school newsletter will be emailed out to you giving information about all that has been happening at school over the last six weeks.

The last day of term will be a non-uniform day and the school will be raising money for Islamic Relief. This is a charity that has been selected by the Charities Sub-Committee at school for fundraising during the spring term. The suggested donation is £1 but we are happy to accept any donation and we will have buckets for collection. I'm really proud that as a community we regularly raise money for important causes so any donation you can give would be much appreciated. A reminder as always that although the last day of term is non-uniform we do expect students to be in lessons working so do please ensure that they bring all the necessary equipment required for morning lessons.

The school breaks for the Easter holiday after lesson 3 on Thursday 28th March. Students will be dismissed from school at the following times:

Year 7: 12.15
All other years: 12.25

If your child is in receipt of free school meals or wishes to buy a cold lunch they can do so at break time on Thursday 28th March. Can we request also that lockers are emptied and PE kit taken home for washing over the holiday.

Monday 15th April is a training day for the school so students return to school at the normal time of **8.30am on Tuesday 16th April**. Over the Easter break can I ask that you check school uniform and ensure that your child has everything that is required. Please note that the blazer is an essential part of school uniform and should be worn around the school. [The uniform policy can be found by clicking here.](#)

In addition can we please ask that your child is organised with everything that they need to manage their period at school. We have noticed a pattern with students asking to leave lesson to use the "red box". The red box is based at welfare and is available to students who need to use tampons/sanitary pads. However I'm sure you will agree with me that we don't want students to be missing learning to visit the red box. Students have been spoken to about this in assembly so can I ask for your support with this. Some students are well organised with a bag that stays in their school bag containing sanitary equipment and spare pants - this means they are prepared for any eventuality and will help them to feel safe and organised. If your child does need to use the red box this is absolutely fine but it cannot happen during lesson time unless in an emergency situation.

Easter school runs over the first week of the Easter holiday so thank you for your support in ensuring that any session your child is invited to is attended. I am grateful to you for prioritising this and also to the dedicated staff who are available to support over the holiday.

Thank you for your ongoing support and Eid Mubarak and Happy Easter to you all. I look forward to working with you in the Summer term.

Yours faithfully

Kelda Stevenson
Headteacher