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### Dear Parents/Carers & students

As the academic year draws to a close, it is important to reflect on a great year at Holy Family.

#### To our students...

This year has been a testament to your dedication, resilience and unwavering faith; we could not be prouder of the achievements you have all made. Your commitment to your learning and the development of your Godgiven talents has been fantastic!

Throughout this year, you have faced challenges head-on, showing great strength and determination in overcoming them. It is through these obstacles that we learn and grow and you have exemplified this in every way. Your passion for learning and your willingness to embrace new opportunities have been the driving force behind your success.

### To parents...

In this morning's awards assembly, many students were presented with certificates and prizes. We are so proud of them and we thank you for supporting them to achieve. We also reminded students of the high expectations we will continue to have next year.

These are the reminders and messages that were given to all students in assembly today:

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September (Year 7 and Year 11 return to school)

Wednesday 6th September, all students return to school

Normal school uniform (not PE kit) on these days. We will contact parents about the days to wear PE kit when timetables are given out at the start of term.

# Clarification on uniform expectations:

- Plain black leather/leather-look shoes and no logos.
- Year 11 will be permitted to wear a black V-neck school jumper during their final academic year. Other students wearing a jumper will only be permitted to wear a plain, grey V-neck school jumper.
- Formal, tailored black school trousers in a regular fitting; trousers must also be of a length that meets the tops of shoes. Trousers can be worn with or without a plain black trouser belt with a non-fashion buckle. "Jeans style" trousers (including any studs) or tapered trousers are not allowed.
- Make-up should be applied discreetly, if at all, during school hours.
- Fake tan is not permitted in school and it's essential to avoid applying it close to the return to school date, ensuring a natural and appropriate appearance.
- False or coloured nails and false eyelashes are not allowed.
- Students should not be writing on their hands and arms. This practice can be disruptive and hinders the learning process. Any writing on hands or arms will be promptly addressed, and students will be asked to wash it off in the immediately.



- Jewellery: Small, round gold or silver studs in ears only. Piercings (facial & body), rings, bands, necklaces, and bracelets are NOT permitted. Parents/carers need to carefully consider the "healing period" after piercings to meet these requirements in school.
- There should be no extremes of hairstyle and only natural colours are allowed.
- When students have PE on their timetable, they should arrive to school in PE kit.
- Logos and brands are NOT permitted on any PE kit items other than the school logos.
- If students wish to wear the skort for PE lessons, they must come to school in leggings or jogging bottoms. They will then be able to change into the skort in the changing rooms at the start of their PE lesson. Please be aware that failing to comply with the uniform policy will result in a loss of break and lunch until issues are rectified.

Students refusing to comply will be treated as defiant and be dealt with in line with the school's Behaviour Policy.

# **School Equipment List:**

| Planner (To be given to students in September) | Rubber / Pencil sharpener | A reading book |
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| Pencil case                                    | Calculator                | Water bottle   |
| Black pen                                      | Whiteboard pen            | Ruler          |
| Green pen                                      | Blue pen                  | Pencil         |

It is vital that students arrive at school with the correct equipment. It means they are fully prepared for learning, meaning they can take a full and active part in lessons. Being organised and responsible will enhance their learning experience.

In September, we welcome our new Year 7 students and are excited to have them join our family and are confident that they will find a supportive and nurturing environment here. As they embark on this new chapter of their education, we will ensure that they know they are part of "our family". Our dedicated team of teachers, staff, and fellow students will be here to guide and encourage them every step of the way.

As the summer holidays approach, we have reminded our students to stay safe and make the most of their well-deserved break. We ask that they take care of themselves and each other. If parents or students ever find themselves in need of support during the summer break, our pastoral team will be available to assist them. Simply reach out to us through the <a href="mailto:enquiry@holyfamilycarlton.org">enquiry@holyfamilycarlton.org</a> email, and we will be in contact as soon as possible.

Once again, we congratulate each and every one of our students on their achievements this year. Their hard work, determination and commitment have truly made this a year to remember.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Wadsworth

Head of Inclusion

