



15<sup>th</sup> October 2015

Dear Parent/Guardian and Student,

School closes for the half term break this Friday and re-opens on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. I hope you have a lovely holiday.

### Punctuality to School

When we return, we want to make punctuality a priority. A warning bell rings at 8.40am. All students should be on the premises by that time at the latest, ready for a prompt start to the school day at 8.45am.

### Uniform and Appearance

I would like to thank you all, parents and students, for the smart appearance of the overwhelming majority of students this term. We have had fewer issues of non-compliance with regulations than ever before. However, there are a small number of students wearing nail varnish and more than one earring in each ear. I would be grateful if you would ensure that this is addressed over the half term.

### Parking Outside School

Thank you to parents who have found safe parking spaces away from the gates of the school. I would like to clarify that parents can use the old bus bay to drop off and collect students. Drivers should be aware that the school is not liable for any damage to cars in the bus bay. I have received information from Lancashire County Council that the powers of Parking Enforcement Officers have increased and they can now issue penalties to those who park in restricted and prohibited zones even if the car is driven away before the officer has fully completed writing out the penalty. The County Council have made this change in order to deter parents from thoughtless parking around schools.

### PTFA Christmas Events

The PTFA are organising two Christmas events this year. The first is a ticket-only Stringers shopping evening on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December from 7pm to 9pm. All guests will receive a glass of fizz on arrival, a goody bag to take away and exclusive 10% discount on all goods at Stringers. Tickets are £10 and can be purchased by contacting Michelle on 07985 107912 or Debbie on 07917 755335.

The second is a coach trip to the Manchester Christmas Markets on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. The coach will depart from school at 10am and leave Manchester at 4pm. The coach will drop you right at the start of the markets and takes away all the hassle of parking, allowing you to relax, have a glass of mulled wine (or two!), browse the stalls and enjoy the Christmas atmosphere of the markets. Tickets are £10 and can be purchased by contacting Debbie at [ptfsecretarylsa@hotmail.com](mailto:ptfsecretarylsa@hotmail.com). Book early to avoid disappointment as tickets are sold on a first come first served basis.

Yours faithfully,

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