



19th July 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well – it's a warm way to finish the year! Our pupils have been fantastic over the last couple of days and haven't let the heat stop them from getting on with their lessons. Obviously we have taken care to minimise time outside, to make sure that water is readily available and to provide 'gentle' PE lessons with no strenuous activity. Tomorrow will be a non-uniform day and I would ask that pupils remember to wear **clothing appropriate to a school environment** – no bare bellies on show please and no slogans which have the potential to offend others. We reserve the right to ask pupils to go home to change should they arrive in clothing which is inappropriate.

School will finish at 12:00pm tomorrow for the summer break.

Arrangements for the start of term in September are shown below:

Thursday 1st September – INSET day (school is closed to pupils).

Friday 2nd September:

Year 7	Arrive from 9:50am Start time 10:00am Finish time 2:45pm Please remember that we do not accept cash in school at break or lunchtime – pupil accounts should be credited via ParentPay.
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Years 8 to 11 will be required to come into school for one hour at an allocated time on Friday 2nd September. This will enable us to distribute and check timetables, sort out dinner cards, hold assemblies and check uniform ready for a prompt start at normal time on the Monday morning.

Year 8 and Year 9	Arrive from 10:05 Start time 10:15am Finish time 11:15am
Year 10 and Year 11	Arrive from 11:05 Start time 11:15am Finish time 12:15am

From Monday 5th September, the times of the school day will run as follows:

Year 7, 8 and 9 Arrive from 8:25am

Registration starts at 8:35am by which time pupils should be in their form room.

Finish: 2:45pm

Year 10 and 11 Arrive from 8:30am

Registration starts at 8:40am by which time pupils should be in their form room.

Finish: 2:50pm

Pop-up uniform shop

On Wednesday 3rd August, I am delighted to say that we will be selling clean, great condition preloved school uniform between 12:00pm and 3:00pm. Prices will be very low and any money raised will be reinvested in school uniform or equipment supplies. As pupils do not need uniform tomorrow, any further donations would be greatly appreciated – especially items with a school logo on them which are in excellent condition.

Just a reminder that we offer some financial support with the purchase of uniform to all pupils who are eligible for free school meals. This can be accessed by going to KidsStop in Hyde and giving the name of the relevant child/ren and your postcode. If you have any queries in relation to this, please email admin@hydehighschool.co.uk

Vouchers have already been issued to the families of pupils who are eligible for free school meals for the summer holiday period. If you feel that you should have received this and have not, please contact school by phone before 12pm on Wednesday 20th July, or email admin@hydehighschool.co.uk at any time, including during the holidays.

School uniform

As always, lots of families purchase new uniform items over the summer. Full guidance on our school uniform rules can be found on our website – please do check this as items sold within the ‘school uniform’ section of a store are not always in line with our rules. Thank you so much for your support with uniform, our current suppliers are:

KidStop (Hyde and online)

Sallies (Denton)

Monkhouse (Stockport and online)

As previously mentioned, we will be expecting pupils to wear their blazer every day from September, including on PE days. A small number of parents have queried this however we feel that the benefits outweigh the issues.

- Many pupils have been wearing their blazer over a hoodie during the last two years, especially when the weather is cold, and say that this has been comfortable – even on PE days.
- Pupils who may be warm after PE can wait a few minutes until they have cooled off before putting their blazer on.
- Most pupils keep their dinner card in a blazer pocket and this will mean fewer forgotten cards.

We will review this with pupils after a few weeks to evaluate the benefits and any disadvantages.

School holidays

Please note that school is closed throughout the holiday and Reception will not be manned. You can contact us via email throughout the break on admin@hydehighschool.co.uk but please note that responses will not be immediate.

Results Day

Results Day for Year 11 will take place on Thursday 25th August. Pupils can collect results from school **between 10:00am and 12:00pm.**

While I mention Year 11, I can't miss an opportunity to say what a fabulous night we had at their Prom last Thursday. Fabulous outfits all round – my word they looked amazing – and such a lovely celebratory atmosphere; they were simply a joy to spend an evening with!

Some goodbyes

I don't normally mention staff changes however there are a small number of staff retiring this summer after many years as part of Team Hyde.

Mrs Handforth is retiring after 34 years' loyal service within the Administration Team, most recently as the mainstay in Student Services and we wish her a long, happy and healthy retirement.

Mrs Dawber is also retiring from her role as Safeguarding/Child Protection Officer and I know that many pupils and families have hugely valued her care and support over the years. Again, we wish Mrs Dawber a long, happy and healthy retirement with more opportunities to see her grandchildren in Australia.

And finally Mr Johnson, one of our Deputy Headteachers, is taking retirement early to enable him to follow other pursuits and to spend more time with his lovely family. Mr Johnson began his teaching career at Hyde back in 1989 and his enthusiasm and energy levels have never dropped in the intervening years. We will miss his big smile and big personality and we wish him well as he moves on to new adventures.

We are also saying goodbye to the following talented staff who are moving on to new posts elsewhere.

Mr Taylor – Science Teacher

Mrs Etches – Head of Year

Mrs Kenny – Asst SENCO

Mr Goodier – Learning Mentor

Miss Ariyo – Teaching Assistant

I would like to thank all the colleagues who are leaving us for their hard work and commitment during their time at Hyde - we wish them well in their new ventures.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents and cares for your support for our school this year – your children are amazing and make us proud every day.

I wish all of our pupils and families a lovely summer break. See you in September.

Best wishes,



Andrea Radcliffe

Headteacher