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17 July 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

End of Year Summer 2023

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support through this academic year.

As you are aware, we are getting ready for our move into our new, temporary school which we will occupy from September 2023 until our new school is ready in 2025.

To prepare for this move we have been allocated two closure days this term by the Local Authority, which means that pupils will finish on Wednesday 19 July. All pupils will be free to leave at 1.15pm. If your child is entitled to free school meals, a grab bag will be available for them to collect at break time.

September 2023

The autumn term will start on Monday 04 September, although this will be an INSET day for all staff. We then have two further closure days on Tuesday 05 and Wednesday 06 September to finish moving into our new school. **Pupils will therefore return to school on Thursday 07 September 2023** for staggered induction sessions. Pupils should attend at the following times:

Year 7	8.35am assemble on the school yard
Year 8	12.15pm assemble on the school yard
Year 9	12.15pm assemble on the school yard
Year 10	11.20am assemble on the school yard
Year 11	11.20am assemble on the school yard
Years 12/13	9.00am assemble on the school yard

From Friday 08 September, all pupils will begin school at the usual time of 8.35am, and the school day will finish at 3.05pm.

As we will be in our new temporary school from September, our main reception will be relocated to Doyle Avenue entrance. If you have an appointment to visit the school, please ensure that you use this entrance.

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Results Days

The school will be open for results day between 8:30am and 10:30am. These can be obtained from Neuadd Davies (entrance through reception), via Fairwater Road.

A/AS level results Thursday 17 August 2023

GCSE results Thursday 24 August 2023

Advance Notice INSET Days 2023 - 24

There will be six INSET days for staff training throughout the academic year. These will be:

1. Monday 04 September 2023
2. Wednesday 27 September 2023
3. Friday 26 January 2024
4. Wednesday 06 March 2024
5. Friday 26 April 2024
6. Monday 22 July 2024

Full term dates and INSET days are available on our website: cantonian.org

Parents'/Carers' Evenings

We will be hosting our annual Parents'/Carers' Evenings on the following dates between 4.00pm and 6.30pm:

Year 7 Thursday 11 January 2024

Year 8 Thursday 07 March 2024

Year 9 Thursday 16 November 2023

Year 10 Thursday 14 March 2024

Year 11 Thursday 25 January 2024

Year 12/13 Thursday 29 February 2024

Other Key Dates

We will also be hosting a variety of events over the course of the next academic year, which are listed below:

Year 10 Success Evening Thursday 21 September 2023

Year 7 Success Evening Thursday 12 October 2023

Year 12 Option Evening Thursday 30 November 2023

Carol Service, Llandaff Cathedral Wednesday 13 December 2023

School Show Wednesday 21 and Thursday 22 February 2024

Year 13 Prom Friday 21 June 2024 (provisional date)

Awards Evening Thursday 27 June 2024

Year 11 Prom Thursday 04 July 2024

Communication

From September, to help us reduce the amount of paper that we use in the school, we will be moving all our written communication to an electronic format; this will include your child's reports. All written communication will be emailed to you via Edulink at the email address you have provided to the school. Therefore, please ensure that you update us if any of your contact details have changed.

We also use Class Charts as a form of instant communication with you; please ensure that you have your own log in details and that your child has their too. If you have lost or do not have your details, please contact us at contact@cantonian.org

Policies

Our school policies are updated regularly and can be found on our website: cantonian.org

Uniform and Attendance Expectations

I would like to remind you of our expectations regarding your child's uniform. We expect all pupils to adhere to the school's uniform policy which you can find at the end of this letter. If your child attends school in the incorrect uniform, they will be sent home to change. Persistent refusal to adhere to the school's correct uniform policy could result in an exclusion from school.

We expect all pupils to attend school on time, every day. Every day that your child is absent from school will lower their chances of achieving 5 or more good GCSEs or equivalent at grades A*-C, including English and Maths in Year 11. If your child is persistently late for school this will also have an impact on their learning. Therefore, if your child is persistently late for school and lessons, a sanction will be issued, in line with school policy.

Finally, I would like to take the opportunity again to thank you for your support this year. Despite the challenges we have faced over the past six months as building work has been undertaken around us, pupils have behaved in a mature and exemplary fashion. We have also had the pleasure of hosting our annual Awards Evening, Year 11 and Year 13 Proms and just recently we presented our school show, Peter Pan Junior which our pupils excelled in.

On behalf of our staff and governors, I would like to wish you all a restful summer break. We look forward to welcoming all our pupils back in September.

Yours sincerely



MRS D GILL
Headteacher

CANTONIAN HIGH SCHOOL UNIFORM



School Uniform:

White shirt

Grey clip-on tie with a red stripe for Key Stage 3 (Years 7-9), blue stripe for Key Stage 4 (Years 10-11) and purple stripe for Key Stage 5 (Years 12-13)

Black V-neck jumper with red stripe for Key Stage 3 (Years 7-9)

Black V-neck jumper for Key Stages 4 & 5 (Years 10-13)

Black trousers (no leggings, jeans, joggers or ankle grazers) / black skirts (must be no more than TWO inches above the knee)

Black socks / black opaque tights

Plain black footwear

Outdoor coats only (no denim jackets, no hoodies or sweatshirts)

PE Uniform:

Black unisex training tops

Black jogging bottoms / black shorts

Black lightweight rugby shirt

Black leggings / black skorts

Optional black unisex PE hoodie (must have the badge and only work for PE)

Islamic Dress:

This must be made up in black and the school badge must be sewn to the top.

Hijab, if worn, should be plain black.

YC Sports are the sole supplier of our school uniform. They have shops at:

156 Cowbridge Road East, Canton, Cardiff CF11 9ND (Tel: 029 2022 0246)

5 Penlline Road, Whitchurch, Cardiff CF14 2AA (Tel: 029 2069 3653)

You can also ORDER ONLINE from WWW.YCSports.COM Search under the 'Schoolwear' tab – My School

Any pupil not in full school uniform will be sent home to change, after a telephone call has been made to inform the parent / carer.

Hair Styles

Extremes of style, cut or colour are unsuitable for school, and are not permitted.

Make-Up & Nails

We do not encourage pupils to wear make-up and nail varnish to school. However, if it is worn it must be subtle and discreet. Acrylic/false nails are not permitted.

Jewellery

The only jewellery allowed in school is:

- **One** small signet ring
- **One** small pair of **stud** earrings (one stud in each ear-lobe)
- **One** wrist watch

No necklaces, bracelets or anklets, facial, or other body piercings are permitted, including nose, tongue and belly.

The reasons are:

- We cannot be responsible for personal property.
- **Large rings, earrings and body piercings can be a serious safety hazard.**

Continuing to wear unacceptable jewellery after a warning will mean that it will be confiscated.

These rules apply at all times to both boys and girls and we enforce them strictly.