



CANTONIAN HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

As we approach the end of term, I am writing to thank you once again for the support you give to ensure your child attends school with the best attitude to learning that will enable them to succeed in all areas of school life.

The last day of the spring term this year is Friday 22 March, which will be a contracted day. We will also be raising funds for Comic Relief with a non-uniform 'Wear Red for Red Nose Day'. Pupils are encouraged to wear red clothing, however this must be appropriate, with no slogans, and we ask that those who wish to take part in the event contribute to our fundraising by donating £1.00. During the course of the morning, pupils will have the opportunity to take part in fundraising activities to support this worthy charity. The day itself will run as follows:

Registration	8.35–9.00
Lesson 1	9.00–10.00
Lesson 2	10.00–11.00
Break	11.00–11.20
Lesson 3	11.20–12.20
Lunch	12.20–12.40

Pupils not staying for lunch are free to leave at 12.20. If your child has free school meals and you prefer, they can have their lunch at 12.20, but this must be pre-ordered by sending a note to Mr Powell (Business Manager) by 19 March.

The new term commences for all pupils on Monday 08 April at 8.35am.

As the summer term starts when we return from the Easter holidays, I would like to draw your attention to the revised school uniform policy which allows pupils to wear black, tailored school shorts if they choose to. However, PE shorts, cycle shorts, hot pants or any kind of non-tailored shorts will not be accepted and this option is only available during the summer term. Full details of the school's uniform policy can be found here: <https://cantonian.org/uniform/>

The summer term will be very busy, with examinations for all year groups. For pupils in Years 7, 8 and 9 there will be the Welsh National Tests and later on in the term, additional end of year assessments. External examinations for pupils in Years 10, 11, 12 and 13 will also be starting and individual timetables with the dates and times of each exam have already been given to pupils. This is undoubtedly a stressful time for pupils and it is important they make good use of the holidays to prepare for their exams. To support this preparation, there will be some revision classes in the Easter holidays, with more expected during the Whitsun holiday in May. Pupils will be informed when these are by their teachers.

As you will be aware, attendance is essential to ensuring academic success. Whilst we understand that pupils are ill from time to time, we cannot stress enough the importance of regular, timely attendance. All pupils should strive for 100%, which will give them a much better chance of developing in all the key areas of success. To encourage this, pupils whose attendance levels drop will be targeted for support and intervention. In some instances, where attendance remains a concern, the Local Authority is likely to issue a fixed penalty notice (FPN). We hope you will continue to support us in ensuring your child is present, on time and ready to learn.

Yours sincerely

MRS D GILL
Headteacher

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