

Thursday 18 August

Dear Parents, Students and Colleagues

Following a site meeting this morning, we can confirm that the start of the new school year will follow **Plan A**. The arrangements are repeated below. Please scrutinise the chart to see the full implications for your child(ren).

SEPT		R	1	2	7	8	9	10	11	6 th form
Sat	3									
Sun	4									
M	5	STAFF TRAINING DAY								
T	6									Start school
W	7								Start school	In school
Th	8		Start school	Start school				Start school	In school	In school
F	9		In school	In school			Start school	In school	In school	In school
Sat	10									
Sun	11									
M	12	Tranche 1 start	Years 1 and 2 in school from now on		Start school	Start school	In school	Out: Home study	Out: Home study	Out: Home study
T	13		In	In	All secondary students in school from now on					
W	14		In	In						
Th	15	Tranche 2 start	In	In						
F	16		In	In						
Sat	17									
Sun	18									
M	19	Tranche 3 start	In	In						

The new building at Southbourne will be released to the school in phases and there will be times in the first week or so when contractors will be making finishing touches to the rooms and corridors after school hours. The external works will be completed by November and the refurbishment of the Iford main building will commence during the October half term. In the meantime the main building at Iford remains empty and locked from the front. The only access to the primary classrooms for parents and pupils will be via the usual external pathway. Primary pupils will still be able to use the hall for lunch and assemblies.

Thank you to all our parents and students for your patience and understanding. I should also like to thank the contractors, Wates Construction Ltd and the Local Authority for working so determinedly, especially during the summer holidays, to ensure that we can commence the school year as quickly as possible. My thanks go also to our site team for undertaking the huge task of transferring and installing equipment and resources from the Iford site to Southbourne. Particular thanks to Mrs Lasham (our Business Manager), Mr Peter Booth and Mr Richard Dickinson (Governors) for their support through the process.

In the meantime our A level results (published today) are excellent again this year – more news on the examination results for Sixth Form and Year 11 early in the new term.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher

