



## All Saints Catholic High School

HEADTEACHER: Mr T McGuinness

26<sup>th</sup> August 2016

Dear Parents/Carers

I take this opportunity to thank you for your continual support and active involvement in your child's education during the year. As we know, it is when parents/carers and school staff work together that young people thrive and reach for their potential.

Staff and Governors are looking forward to the academic year 2016/17. We believe it will provide the school with the opportunity to build on its strengths. A key focus will be placed on standards; maintaining high standards is the key to enabling all our pupils to adopt good habits for life. I would like to take this opportunity to remind pupils and parents of our expectation.

### Mobile phones


From September the use of mobile phones will no longer be permitted from 8:50am to 3:00pm. Pupils found using mobile phones during the school day will have them confiscated and returned at 3:30pm. If in an emergency you need to contact your child then please contact the year group office.

### Uniform and Equipment

- All pupils are expected to wear black, polishable shoes to school. We do not accept any type of trainers, canvas shoes, pumps or fashion shoes that have logos or stripes (please see attached communication)
- Hoodies and tracksuit tops are not accepted in school. Pupils should not wear outdoor coats inside the building.
- Facial piercings – girls and boys are permitted to have one stud ear piercing only. Any other type on nose, lip or cheek piercing will need to be removed.
- Ties must show the school badge below the knot and collars should be buttoned at the top
- Every student is expected to bring the basic items of equipment to school every day in order to take part fully in learning. They should bring their equipment and school planner in a bag.
- Hair should be of a natural colour.

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- Make up, false eye lashes and nail polish are not permitted

### Attendance

- We are pleased that our overall attendance has increased significantly this year, but there are still many pupils whose attendance falls well below the minimum expected 95%. I would like to stress the importance of full attendance in school and that unnecessary absences are seriously damaging to a child meeting his or her academic potential.

### Punctuality

- The vast majority of students attend school every day. All students must be on-site and either going to assembly or attending registration on time. Punctuality is a key skill for life and every college and employer will ask for this information in a reference, so we are asking for parents support in ensuring that your child attends on time and is in their form room or assembly before the bell at 8:50am each day.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized initial 'A' followed by the letters 'Mc' and a long horizontal line extending to the right.

A McGuinness  
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## Autumn Term

Detailed below are the start times for each year group. All pupils will assemble in the atrium at the appropriate time. Following my address, they will go to their tutorial base where they will be given their timetables, and school routines will be outlined.

Year 7	9:00 am – 12:00 pm		Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2016
Year 8	9:30 am – 12:00 pm		
Year 9	12:30 am – 3:00 pm		
Year 10	1:00 pm – 3:00 pm		
Year 11	1:00 pm – 3:00 pm		
Year 12/13	1:30 pm – 3:00 pm		

Please note the first two staff inset days : Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2016  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2016

## Inset Days

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2016  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2016  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2016  
Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2017  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2017

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# Examples of Acceptable Types of Footwear



# Examples of Unacceptable Types of Footwear



Brands such as Vans, Converse, Nike, Cruyff, Adidas, Bambooa, Melissa & Vivienne Westwood are not acceptable as school footwear.