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Dear Parent/Carer

As we approach the summer holidays I would like to thank you for your continued support to our college in ensuring high standards of uniform and behaviour, particularly whilst students are travelling to and from college.

I confirm that students will finish for the summer holidays on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July at 12.00pm** and will return on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September** at the following times:-

Year 7	8.45am
Years 8, 9 10 & 11	10.00am

The college term dates are on the reverse of this letter.

Finally, I wish you and all your families a very happy and restful summer holiday.

Yours sincerely

Mrs F Harrison  
Headteacher

## **TERM DATES 2015-16**

### **Autumn Term**

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2015 – Friday 18 December 2015

**Half-term – Monday 26 October – Friday 30 October 2015**

### **Spring Term**

Monday 4 January 2016 – Friday 1 April 2016

**Half-term – Monday 15 February – Friday 19 February 2016**

### **Summer Term**

Monday 18 April 2016 – Thursday 21 July 2016

**Half-term – Monday 30 May – Friday 3 June 2016**

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**Date:** 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2015

Dear Parent or Carer,

**Re: Important changes to the measurement for school attendance from September 2015**

I am taking this opportunity to write to let you know about some important changes regarding school attendance being introduced by the Government.

Liverpool City Council believes that good attendance is essential if your child is to achieve the best results possible while at school. The Government expects pupils to have a minimum level of attendance of at least **97%** and our schools will be working towards this new target for the forthcoming academic year.

You may also be aware the Government requires schools to measure attendance by 'Persistent Absenteeism', which is defined as the number of times your child is absent during the year.

A pupil who is persistently absent is one who misses 10% or more of their schooling **for any reason**, from the beginning of the school year to the end of any given half term period as indicated below. Please note that one session is equivalent to half a day.

<b>Terms</b>	<b>Persistent Absence at 10%</b>	<b>Number of days off school</b>
September – October	7 or more sessions	3.5 days
September – Christmas	14 or more sessions	7 days
September - February	20 or more sessions	10 days
September – Easter	25 or more sessions	12.5 days
September – May	31 or more sessions	15.5 days

Improving school attendance is a key priority for the Council and its family of schools and the support of our parents is crucial to achieving this goal. Ofsted will measure the performance of your school against this target as well as the usual measures and we need your help to ensure that your child and their school do as well as possible.

If you have any queries, please contact Allison Cain, Attendance Lead, on 0151-225-3938. We thank you for your continued co-operation.

Yours faithfully,

Colette O'Brien,  
Director,  
Children & Young People's Services.



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