## 7 September 2017

## Dear Parents/Carers

We are looking forward to welcoming your daughter back to school, on Monday 18 September 2017, into our brand new St Julie's Catholic High School building. We are delighted to confirm that our new school build will be officially handed over to the Governing Body on Friday 15 September 2017. You will recall in Mr Alderman's letter, prior to the summer holidays, that Archbishop Malcolm McMahon and Parish Priest, Fr Tim Buckley, will attend a short Service to Bless the Notre Dame Chapel, on 15 September 2017, ahead of all the students starting the new academic year 2017/2018 on Monday 18 September.

We appreciate your patience and co-operation during the new build phase which, as you know, led to an early finish for students in July, and a later start to the new academic year. We are delighted to be able to offer your daughter state of the art facilities, in our new £23 million build, in which she will benefit from undertaking her studies in a calm, welcoming and fit for purpose learning environment. St Julie's Catholic High School is within the conservation area of Woolton, which will provide a high standard of education provision for girls in South Liverpool for generations to come.

Further to the correspondence sent in July 2017, and information provided on the school web page, I would like to take this opportunity to once again outline plans for the first day back on Monday 18 September 2017, and reiterate some of the key messages regarding uniform and use of school facilities.

## Monday 18 September 2017:

- Year 7, 8 and 9 students must arrive no later than 8.30 am. At this point, your daughter will be met by the Leadership Team and teaching staff and directed to an area in the new school build where all three year groups will assemble. Following on from this, your daughter will be introduced to her Form Tutor, who will take her to her new form base where she will have the opportunity to have a full tour of the school. A formal assembly for all Key Stage 3 students will take place on that day. Two Year 11 Prefects will be assigned to each year group form class, and will be on hand to offer their guidance, advice and support, alongside your daughter's form tutor.
- Year 10 and 11 students must arrive no later than 10.45 am. Upon arrival, your daughter will be directed to the new school Dining Room and then taken to her new form bases, following which she will be given a tour of the new build. A formal assembly for all Key Stage 4 students will take place on that day.
- Year 12 and 13 students must arrive in school no later than 11.45 am. Your daughter will be notified of her Form class, and will be taken on a guided tour of the building. Sixth Form coursing and enrolment will also be finalised on this day. A formal assembly for all Key Stage 5 students will take place before 1.30 pm

Your daughter will receive a school planner and her timetable on the first day. All lessons will commence at 1.30 pm on Monday 18 September 2017, and students will be dismissed from school at the normal time of 3.15 pm.

From Tuesday 19 September 2017, all students must arrive in school by the normal time of 8.40 am.

At St Julie's, we expect the highest standards of attendance, behaviour and adherence to the school uniform policy. A copy of the uniform policy is available on the school website, together with a letter that was sent home to all parents/carers at the end of the summer term 2017, which outlined the uniform policy.

## As a brief reminder:

- Black polished leather shoes must be worn. No jelly-shoes or trainers will be allowed to be worn in school.
- Hair must be tied back, and no make-up or jewellery must be worn at any time.
- Students must only bring in a St Julie's school bag and may only wear a plain black or navy outdoor coat, once the cold weather arrives.
- Students <u>must not</u> wear fur-trimmed coats or jackets as such outerwear will be confiscated upon arrival at school and will not be returned to students until 3.15 pm on the day of confiscation. This will mean that students will have no outerwear during break time and lunch time on that day.

It is essential that all students respect their learning environment at all times and, I am delighted to highlight that the majority of students adhered to this at all times in our former St Julie's building. Please remind your daughter that chewing gum is banned from site and will be confiscated from any student who is seen with chewing gum in school. If there is any damage to property or equipment, a charge may be sent home to parents/carers. **Please ensure that you remind your daughter that the use of mobile phones is not permitted during the school day**. Mobile phones will be confiscated by staff in the event of any student being seen holding or using her phone between 8.40 am and 3.15 pm each day.

**Locker facilities:** All students in the school will now have access to an individual school locker. This follows on from requests through student voice, via St Julie's designated Student Council. Each student will be allocated a locker. A deposit of £5 from each students is required, which can be paid via the school's online ParentPay facility. Once purchased, students may go to the Finance office to collect a locker key. If the key is lost, the deposit will be non-refundable. The deposit will carry over each year if your daughter's locker remains clean and tidy.

If you have any questions, concerns or issues that you would like to raise, please do not hesitate to contact the relevant member of staff through Form Builder, via the school website, or via the school email address or main school office phone line.

Once again, thank you for all your continued support and we look forward to welcoming your daughter on Monday 18 September 2017 into our new St Julie's new building.

Yours faithfully

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