

18<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Dear Parents and Carers

As we are in our third week of term I felt it was a good time to write to you to keep you informed and updated with regards to life at Broughton Hall Catholic High School.

Firstly, I must thank you for your support in ensuring we have got off to a positive start. Our pupils arrived back after the summer break ready to begin another year of learning. They all look very smart and they like the changes we have made to our uniform.

I am sure you are all familiar with our school rules, including those pertaining to uniform. All school rules, policies and procedures are on our school website. Please give particular attention to the rules surrounding shoes, mobile phones and piercings. If you need clarity on any point please contact your daughter's Progress or Support Manager.

It is with your support we are able to maintain the high standards that you, our parents and carers, demand. We know you have chosen to send your daughter to our school or your son into our Sixth Form because of our strong reputation and our high expectations, we do all we can to ensure your daughter or son get the best care and opportunities to achieve and develop confidence whilst striving to live our lives to reflect and witness our Christian, Catholic faith.

This half term is as busy as usual with many events, trips and celebrations taking place. Please check the website for details and contact us if you need any further information.

Our Governors continue to give support and challenge for the work of the school. They share our determination to drive up standards and provide the best schooling for our pupils and a happy, safe environment for all of our community.

The summer GCSE and A Level results brought deserved rewards for our pupils, it is wonderful to see them taking up their places at universities, including Oxford and Cambridge, or gaining the results they needed to continue with us into our Sixth Form or to go on to follow their chosen pathway. We, like you their parents and carers, are proud of their achievements and of them as people. Many of our young people have a lot to deal with and the greater majority of them demonstrate determination to contribute positivity to their families, friends and to society as a whole.

There will be occasions when we all wish we could turn the clock back and perhaps do things differently but we have to always recognise that we have learnt much from our past experiences and we must be prepared to stand with our young people and help and guide them as they make their decisions and be ready catch them if they fall. The impact of having so many adults surrounding our young people can make a massive difference to them, it is vital parents, carers and school work together to optimise our pupil's chances, this difference is proven and brings its own rewards to us all.

Finally, can I ask you to give thought and attention to the issues caused due to pupils being dropped off and picked up around school. I am receiving many complaints from people living in the locality of school and from parents who feel the inconsiderate and on occasions illegal parking is putting pupils and members of our community at risk of being involved in an accident. I have to consider the safety of all members of our community and I would ask for your support in this matter.

Thank you once again for your support, trust and confidence.

Yours sincerely

Ms S Clarke  
Head Teacher