



13th July 2021

Dear parents and carers,

End of term arrangements

As the academic year comes to a close, I would like to thank you for all the support you have given to both the pupils and the school. This support has been instrumental in helping us navigate a difficult year, and has enabled us to continue to enhance our provision, and to strive to provide your child with a broad range of education. These enhancements have also been made possible through the dedication of all members of staff at Avanti Hall School, each of whom continue to work tirelessly to provide all pupils with opportunities to learn and develop.

In June this year, an independent audit of our safeguarding provision commended all of the work that colleagues have been effectively implementing, and highlighted many areas of excellent safeguarding practice. This audit was an important milestone in our journey, and I was delighted that this work has been recognised.

We will constantly be developing our provision to expand the opportunities that we can offer, and to ensure that your child will receive an excellent education in a caring environment. Over the course of the year we have been proud of the way in which pupils have conducted themselves in lessons, and around the school. Many of the pupils are now demonstrating a clear understanding of our core values, and are modelling these in their daily life in school.

We have also seen a significant improvement in the attendance of pupils this year, and we will continue to ensure that attendance remains a key focus. We have set a target of 97% attendance for 2021 to 22, and we want all pupils and staff to aspire to meet, and exceed, this target. I would like to thank you for your support in ensuring that your child attends school on a regular basis, and I am confident that this will continue next year.

Of course, it is the time in the year when we sadly say farewell to some members of staff. We wish all the departing members of staff the very best for the future, and thank them for the hard work and dedication they have shown to our pupils. More details about the staff who are leaving will be shared in our final newsletter of the term.

Of course as we continue to grow, we will also have a number of new staff joining us in September, and we have been fortunate enough to have a significant number of our new colleagues working with us throughout July, in order to familiarise themselves with the school and pupils. At Avanti Hall School, we recognise the difference that an excellent teacher can make to the educational and life chances of our pupils, and I am delighted to say that all of the colleagues joining us in September will bring a great deal of expertise.

On the final day of term (Friday 23rd July), the school will close to pupils at the earlier time of **12.30pm**, when students will be dismissed from their lessons to enjoy the summer break. Food will be available in the Main Hall from 12:00 until 13:00. If you require childcare support for the afternoon of that

Friday, please can you contact the main school reception to inform us by Wednesday 21 July - Avantihall@avanti.org.uk

The school will re-open to pupils on **Monday 6th September**. However, as we prepare to welcome everyone back for the new academic year, we have arranged to have a staggered start to the day. Please remember that the school expects to welcome Reception – Year 10 pupils back in correct uniform. If you have any questions about the correct items to be worn, please contact your child's form tutor or class teacher.

Below is a breakdown of how we will be beginning the start of the next academic year.

Thursday 2nd September	Staff CPD Day – School is closed to pupils
Friday 3rd September	Staff CPD Day – School is closed to pupils
Monday 6th September	9 am – Year 7 pupils only - Assembly, followed by enhanced tutor session. 10 am – All key stage 2 pupils - Assembly, followed by enhanced pastoral session. 10:30 – All Key Stage 4 pupils - Assembly, followed by enhanced pastoral session. 11:00 – All Key Stage 1 pupils – Welcome assembly, followed by enhanced time with class teacher. 12.00pm – Years 8 and 9 - Assembly, followed by enhanced tutor session.
Tuesday 7th September	Normal timetable will resume.
Friday 10th September	School will finish at 12:30. Parents will be invited into school to meet the class tutor/class teacher.

In closing, I would like to wish you all a happy, healthy and safe summer break. We look forward to welcoming your children back to Avanti Hall School on Monday 6th of September.

Best Wishes



Phil Arnold

Principal