



PHILIP MORANT

SCHOOL & COLLEGE

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1st November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

We hope you have all had a restful and enjoyable half term break. We are heading into a busy half term for year 11 and year 13. Year 11 Engineering starts this week and the full programme of practical and written mocks has been sent out to parents and students.

Actions from this letter

Award recipients to confirm attendance to the awards evening by Monday (see separate letter)

Check all uniform, piercings, nails and hair colour for school return on 4th November

Complete application to Sigma Sixth

Return to school

School returns on **Monday 4th November** with the gates opening as always at 8:15am and all students required to be on site by 8:25am. We return to **Week A**.

Please be aware that **Church Lane is closed to traffic** and plan a different route if this is your normal route to school and plan for other routes being more busy so please allow more time. Too many students were late for school by the end of half term and punctuality to school and lessons will be a focus this year.

Please ensure that your child is ready to meet these requirements of our uniform policy on the first day back:

- Extreme hair styles are not permitted. Hair must be of a natural colour all over.
- False nails, gel nails and acrylics are not permitted.
- False eyelashes are not permitted.
- If choosing to wear the tartan skirt, the length must be no shorter than 5cm above the knee. The skirts must be unrolled at the waist. If your child is in year 11 and their skirt is getting too short, please enquire about whether we can support them by swapping for a longer skirt.
- Shoes should be plain black leather/leather-look. Trainers or vans are not permitted.
- Jewellery is limited to: a wristwatch, a single unobtrusive ring and a single pair of ear studs (one in each earlobe).
- Students are not allowed to wear facial piercings at school. If, with a parent's permission, a student has had a facial piercing (nose, lip, eyebrow, upper ear), a clear retainer must be worn at school in place of the metal piercing.

Should students arrive at school with incorrect uniform/hairstyles/nails/jewellery/makeup, we will support them to correct their uniform by adjustments they can make themselves, loaning correct

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uniform or contacting parents to support. **Students will not access lessons if they are not following our uniform policy.** If you have any issues with your child returning in full uniform, please email contact@pmsc.school or the year teams on or before their first day back so we can support.

Awards Evening

On Thursday 7th November we are holding our annual awards evening to reward student achievements in the academic year 2023-24. Before we broke up for the half term break selected students and parents were invited to attend our annual awards evening. If you haven't already responded please can you do this by Monday morning so that we can allocate seating and finalise the programme. Details have been sent directly to the award recipients and their families.

Sigma Sixth applications

All those students who booked into the Sigma Sixth open evening have received a letter with further details. If you haven't yet explored staying on to Sigma Sixth, full details can be [found here](#).

Year 11 reports and student conference

Please be aware that these will be slightly delayed whilst we confirm some target grades.

Remembrance

On Monday 11th November we will be holding a Remembrance event with assemblies taking place all throughout that week. All students who are part of Uniformed Organisations are encouraged to wear their uniforms on this day and take part in the Remembrance event. It has been excellent to see this number growing each year of students who are proud of their participation and volunteering outside of school. Please remember that being part of a uniformed organisation can also qualify your child for a Philip Morant Award.

Wellbeing Survey

Schools sometimes carry out surveys to gather student views, to inform what we do. This term, Year 10s will be completing an anonymous survey about their views on school emotional wellbeing provision. This will take 10 minutes and will be completed during Form Time. It is part of a University College London project, which will provide our school with a report of the anonymous results for school to use. If for any reason you would prefer your child not to take part, please inform us by completing this Google Form by 25th November <https://forms.gle/yAeNb1JAm5BwUPSY6>

We look forward to seeing every student back in school, in fully correct uniform and on time on Monday 4th November.

Key dates for the year

[Academic Year Key Dates for Philip Morant School and Sigma Sixth 2024-25](#)

Yours sincerely

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Mrs Neill
Headteacher