



PHILIP MORANT

SCHOOL & COLLEGE

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27th March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we now reach the final week of the Spring term, our year 11,12 and 13 students will have had their photographs taken, our Duke of Edinburgh award participants have completed their training day ahead of their expeditions and our year 9 progress evening has been completed. We've received some amazing feedback from our year 8 students regarding the trip to France.

Thank you for all your support this term enabling our students to engage in their learning, attend their events and clubs, by arriving on time and with all the correct equipment to maximise their time in the classroom. We will send another letter during the Easter holidays.

Actions from this letter

Remind students of their Easter revision sessions

Check uniform and shoes to purchase any needed replacements over the Easter holidays.

Note the school office is closed between 7th - 10th April.

Easter revision sessions

We are running a series of revision sessions over the first week of the Easter holidays for our year 11, to give our students a boost and give them the best possible chance to achieve the highest possible grades they can. All of these sessions will be taking place in the College, L Block or Art rooms over the Easter holidays. Students are asked to arrive and make their way to the College entrance via the front main gate. Arrivals by 9.45am for 10.00am start for morning sessions and by 12.45pm arrival for 1.00pm start for the afternoon sessions. Invitations are being sent out to students for revision sessions. Reminders will be posted on the google classroom. Consent forms have been sent out and are in the google classroom.

Attendance Sprint

Sprint into summer with our 15 day attendance sprint! We are challenging all students to have an unbroken attendance streak for the first 3 weeks of term. Attending everyday during these first few weeks will ensure that students do not miss out on new topics and concepts being introduced in lessons for the summer term. The first few days will be vital for learning for the rest of the year.

We look forward to welcoming all of our students back for the start of the attendance sprint on the 13th of April.

Requesting absence for appointments

We encourage you to make all appointments for your child outside of the school day. However, we appreciate this is not always possible. If your child does have an appointment, please ensure that they

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attend as much of the school day as possible, attending before or after the appointment. If your child needs to leave site during the school day or arrive late due to an appointment, then please complete [this form](#).

Free Children's Dental Check-Up Day – 30th March 2026

The Dental Studio, located at 236 Bergholt Road, Colchester (CO4 5AS), will be offering free dental check-ups for children under 18 on Monday 30th March 2026 from 9:00am. Appointments are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Parents and carers must call the practice directly on 01206 845891 to book an appointment. This is a great opportunity to ensure your child's dental health is up to date.

Return to school

School returns on **Monday 13th April** 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**.

Students will be with tutors and in assemblies until their first lesson period 2. Sigma Sixth lessons will operate as normal.

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. Many girls are now choosing to wear grey trousers.
- Shoes should be plain black leather/leather-look. Trainers or vans are not permitted.
- Socks should be plain black
- 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 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@pmc.sc.school or the year teams on or before their first day back so we can support.

Key dates for the academic year - [Key date list linked here](#)
2026-2027 academic year term dates - [26-27 Term dates](#)

We wish you all a restful and enjoyable Easter break and we look forward to welcoming all our students back to school to start the summer term.

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher