



RC/JAE
18 October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you for your amazing support during the first half term of this academic year. You can see many of the highlights on the school website and Twitter feeds. These highlights include: A very successful transition period into Year 7, following a very busy Summer School for our new students, a lovely Open Evening with well over 100 student helpers welcoming over 250 families to visit our school, a busy Post 16 Information Evening that shared relevant core GCSE information and welcomed over 40 local Post 16 providers to inform Year 10/Year 11 students and parents, three Geography Field Trips to Southsea and a four day residential to Swanage in Dorset, two Art trips to Pallant House Gallery near Chichester plus a wealth of great sporting events and competitions that are detailed on @PortchesterPE.

End of the Uniform Trial Period

The trial period for students to wear their PE kit to school on days they have PE is coming to an end this week.

From after the half term, we will return to wearing full school uniform to school and changing for PE lessons.

As the wetter and colder weather is now becoming more frequent, students will need to exercise outside, possibly getting wet or even muddy, and then changing back into school uniform at the end of the PE session.

An evaluation of the uniform trial will be emailed out to parents, students, and staff via a Microsoft Office Form soon. Thank you in advance for your participation in this feedback.

This half term sees the History team lead a three day residential in London, and the Performing Arts team stepping-up rehearsals for their production of 'School of Rock' on Wednesday 2, Thursday 3, and Friday 4 November – tickets available now.

We return from half term on Monday 31 October 2022 in full school uniform.

Wishing you and your family a peaceful break.

Yours sincerely

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