



Monday, 1st April 2019

Dear Parents / Carers,

As we come to the end of the Spring Term, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support of the pupils, staff and Governors of Salvatorian College, all of whom are working tirelessly to ensure progress is made.

Can I draw your attention to the following dates:

- Lenten liturgies will be held on **Thursday, 4th April** for all pupils allowing time for reflection at the end of busy term.
- The school will **close early on Friday, 5th April, at 12.30pm.**
- All pupils return to school on **Tuesday, 23rd April** at the normal time.
- The first **GCSE practical exams begin on Wednesday 17th April.**
- To allow staff to prepare for opening the new building in September, pupils will be dismissed for the summer break **at 12.30pm on Wednesday, 17th July.** The incoming Year 7 pupils will have their induction on Monday 9th September and the rest of the school will return on **Tuesday 10th September.**

Please remember Year 11 pupils in your prayers as they enter their examination period which begins immediately after Easter. The boys are working very hard, and I append a full timetable of intervention sessions which they are expected to attend over the Easter break. It is crucial they continue to work hard so that their efforts pay off in the Summer.

It is an unfortunate sign of our times that the Department for Education has released a paper responding to growing concerns around levels of knife crime in London. **Let me be absolutely clear that we will do everything in our power to keep your sons safe at Salvatorian College.** We undertake occasional searches of pupils so that prohibited and banned items are kept out of school. To increase our vigilance, anyone arriving late to school is likely to be subject to a search, in line with our behaviour policy. I remind you that bringing banned items into school is likely to result in permanent exclusion.

As I outlined in my letter at the beginning of the academic year, most success in school is achieved with support from both home and school. We endeavour to build a strong partnership with you this will make a great difference in your son's education. Parents, staff and Governors share the responsibility for our children's success and I want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities.

To help ensure the future success of your son, please would you help, guide and support your child's learning by ensuring that he:

- attends school daily and arrives on time, ready to learn. Encouraging regular school attendance is one of the most powerful ways you can prepare your son for success – both in school and in future life. When you make school attendance a priority, you help your son get better grades, develop healthy habits and avoid dangerous behaviour. Even a few days off can have a significant impact on skills such as reading and writing. Boys who attend school regularly also feel more connected to their peers and their community, encouraging healthy friendships and relationships.
- completes all homework assignments given by teachers. This year, the boys are being given an effort grade for homework, as well as work in lessons. Anyone not completing homework to a



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satisfactory standard will be given an X. You can check what homework has been set on showmyhomework and in his journal.

- reads daily to develop a love for reading and to improve literacy skills. All boys should have a reading book with them at all times, and the word of the day should be written in journals and used in writing.
- shares school experiences with you so that you are aware of his school life. I ask that you look through your son's books and journal to ensure that you have a good idea of what is expected. If you have any issues or concerns, please email admin@salvatorian.harrow.sch.uk
- knows that you expect him to succeed in school. It is very important that we all have high expectations of your son and that he knows the value of hard work.

I will remind you of a few of the school rules: mobile telephones are not allowed under any circumstances, but children will always be allowed to phone home from the school office in emergencies; hairstyles should be conventional, not exaggerated, lined or coloured; uniform should be worn correctly to, from and at school. Behaviour should also be exemplary to, from and at school.

I wish you all a spiritual and fulfilling end to your Lenten journey, and a happy and holy celebration of Easter.

Kind regards,

Mr Alan Bryant
Head of School