



Crispin School

Aspiration - Compassion - Excellence

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of another academic year, I wanted to take a moment to pause and reflect on the journey we have been on together. If I were to summarise this year in just a few words, they would simply be "being better." Not being perfect. Not pretending we have all the answers. But having the courage to reflect honestly, to learn from our experiences and to strive every day to provide the very best education for the young people of Crispin School.

When I look back over the last twelve months, I see a school that has continued to grow. We have strengthened expectations in our classrooms, embedded a culture where learning comes first, developed our curriculum, expanded opportunities beyond the classroom and continued to build a school where students are known, valued and encouraged to achieve their very best.

Do I believe we have reached where we ultimately want to be? No.
Do I believe we are a stronger school than we were this time last year? Without question.

What has perhaps made me proudest this year has not been one initiative or event, but the attitude of the people within our school. Staff have worked tirelessly, students have responded positively to increasingly high expectations, and parents and carers have continued to support us, challenge us and work alongside us. Education works best when it is a genuine partnership, and I would like to thank every family for the part you have played in that journey.

Crispin has ambitious aspirations. We want to be an outstanding school in every sense, not simply because of examination results, but because of the opportunities, experiences and care that every young person receives whilst they are with us. Achieving that ambition requires all of us to continue pulling in the same direction, with the shared belief that every child deserves the very best education we can provide.

Looking Ahead to September

As we begin the new academic year, our focus will remain deliberately simple. Outstanding schools are built on strong foundations, and we will continue to reinforce the routines and expectations that allow every student to succeed.

Uniform

From September, all students will be expected to wear the updated Crispin uniform and PE kit in full, as outlined on our website. We provided families with a full academic year to transition to the new uniform, and I would like to thank the many families who have already done so. Many of our students look incredibly smart, and from September we will apply these expectations consistently across all year groups.

The PE Department will also be applying the published PE uniform expectations consistently. The previous PE kit will no longer be permitted, and students will not be able to wear leggings or tight-fitting gym shorts during PE lessons. These expectations are clearly outlined on our website and in a letter also sent out today. By sharing this information before the summer holiday, I hope families have sufficient time to prepare and avoid any uncertainty when we return in September.



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Attendance and Punctuality

Every lesson matters. Every day matters. We know that students who attend school regularly achieve more, develop stronger relationships and are better prepared for life beyond school. Attendance remains one of our highest priorities, and we ask for your continued support in ensuring that students attend every day unless they are genuinely unwell.

Excellent attendance and punctuality are amongst the simplest yet most powerful ways that we can work together to improve outcomes for every young person. Thank you for continuing to support us with this.

Aspiration

We will continue to challenge every student to achieve their very best, not only in their academic outcomes, but also in their behaviour, effort, character and contribution to the wider school community. High expectations are an expression of our belief in our students, and we will continue to encourage every young person to achieve more than they thought possible.

Celebrating Another Incredible Year

This year has been filled with moments that remind us why schools are such special places. Whether through sporting success, music and drama performances, residential visits, curriculum enrichment, community events, leadership opportunities or the countless achievements that take place quietly in classrooms every day, our students continue to impress us with their talent, resilience and character.

As you read through our final newsletter, I hope you enjoy celebrating just some of those moments. Behind every photograph and every story is a member of staff who has given their time, energy and commitment to create opportunities for our students, and a young person who has embraced those opportunities with enthusiasm. Together, they tell the story of what makes Crispin such a special community.

Year 11 – Step Up and Prepare

We are looking forward to welcoming our Year 11 students and their families back into school for our Year 11 Step Up and Prepare Evening on Thursday 10 September at 6.00pm.

This is one of the most important evenings of the academic year and marks the beginning of the final stage of our students' GCSE journey. Subject Leaders will be available to explain course expectations, revision strategies, key dates and the ways in which parents and carers can best support learning at home.

The partnership between home and school becomes even more important during Year 11, and we look forward to working alongside families to ensure every student is as prepared and confident as possible for their examinations and non-examined assessments.

Open Evening – Change to the School Day

Our annual Open Evening will take place on Wednesday 23 September 2026. To allow staff and students time to prepare for this important event, the school day will finish early at 1.30pm, with school buses departing at that time.

Many of our staff and students give their time to showcase everything that makes Crispin such a special place, and I am incredibly grateful for their support.

For families who require childcare until the end of the normal school day, supervised provision will be available in school. Further details regarding this provision will be shared nearer the time. Please note that there will **not** be a second bus departure at 3.30pm.

Staffing

At the end of this academic year, we will also be saying farewell to a number of valued colleagues. Each has made a significant contribution to Crispin School, and on behalf of our students, families and staff I would like to thank them for their commitment, professionalism and dedication.

We wish them every success and happiness in the next stage of their careers.

- Mrs Turner – Head of English
- Ms Beaven – Teacher of English
- Miss Chambers – Teacher of English (maternity cover)
- Mrs Rix – Teacher of Geography
- Miss Herubel – Teacher of Modern Foreign Languages
- Mrs Norman – Teacher of Science
- Mrs Brimson – Science Technician
- Mrs Loxton – Teaching Assistant

Start of the Autumn Term

Date	Year Groups	Start Time
Monday 7 September	Year 7 only	8.35am
Tuesday 8 September	Year 7 only	8.35am
Wednesday 9 September	Years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11	8.35am

Finally, thank you once again for your continued support throughout this year. There is still much to do, and we will never stop striving to improve, but I have never been more optimistic about the future of our school. Together, we are building a school where learning comes first, where every child is known, and where ambition is matched by opportunity. Schools are never finished. Like the young people within them, they continue to learn, to grow and to improve. Thank you for helping Crispin to do exactly that. On behalf of everyone at Crispin School, I wish you and your families a safe, restful and enjoyable summer break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September for another exciting year together.

Yours faithfully,



Lee Cornwall
Headteacher