



St. Chad's Catholic and Church of England High School

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Dear parent/carer,

Let me start this letter by thanking you for your support which has resulted in an excellent start to the year.

We have approached the start of the year differently with an induction week for all pupils. This has given us the opportunity to welcome pupils back to school and give out clear messages regarding standards and expectations.

With your support our emphasis on punctuality has had a positive impact with pupils being on site by 8:30am (remember breakfast is free from 8:00am) and moving to registration at 8:35am. There have been very few pupils arriving late, after the 8:35am bell.

Uniform standards are also high and I particularly appreciate the support you have given regarding shoes. Pupils are looking very smart.

Another area we have focused on relates to mobile phones. Our rule is that they are not to be seen or heard. As stated in the planner any phone confiscated must be collected by a parent.

Our main purpose during induction week was to focus on coaching pupils in what a 'growth mind set' is. This recognises that learning can be challenging and that a positive approach to learning when met with difficult tasks is to recognise that although you may not be able to do something straight away, with support and a positive approach success can be achieved. In these circumstances we want pupils to say 'I can't do this, yet', not 'I can't do this'.

This is becoming part of what we do at St Chad's and more and more pupils are reaching their potential as demonstrated by the A Level and GCSE results this summer.

Top grades (A*-B) at A level improved from 18% in 2017 to 30%. All pupils who applied for a university place were successful. We wish them all the best in the next chapter of their education.

At GCSE level 70% of pupils achieved grade 9-4 in English with 58% achieving grades 9-4 in Maths. These results place St Chad's above the Runcorn averages in each measure. Well done to all.

Can I remind you to download our School Gateway app which will provide quick and easy access to information that we send to you. The App is simple and easy to use on your mobile phone. Search for School Gateway on your App store and then follow the instructions to register. The details you use to register must match those we hold in school so if you need to up-date any information please contact us. The App will provide information on your child's timetable, attendance and will be the method we use to send reports and all other communications to you in future.

Finally, can I inform you that it is our Open Evening on Thursday 20th September between 4pm and 7pm. In order to aid with preparations, the school will close at 2:00pm.

Yours faithfully,

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"Faith in God, Faith in Ability, Faith in Each Other"

