

July 2025

Dear parents and carers,

As we reach the end of another academic year at Weston, I would like to take this opportunity to reflect on what has been a highly successful and rewarding year for our school community. Firstly, I would like to extend my sincere thanks to our students. Their commitment, resilience and hard work throughout the year have been exceptional. Every day, they demonstrate our core values of *Aspire, Believe and Achieve*.

This year has seen a significant increase in the number of student positive points awarded across the school (over 300,000) This is a clear reflection of the excellent attitude to learning behaviour and contribution that our students show daily. Our students know the importance of demonstrating positive Ready to Learn characteristics and the attributes of the Weston Way. It is extremely pleasing to see such a strong culture of recognition and success.

We have also been proud to offer an ever-increasing range of trips and enrichment opportunities. From educational visits that have deepened subject knowledge to rewarding experiences that have broadened horizons, these opportunities are a vital part of our curriculum. Alongside this, our extra-curricular provision has continued to thrive, with increasing levels of participation across clubs, sports, and creative activities. These experiences enrich students' development and help build confidence, teamwork and resilience. Be sure to follow us on Facebook to see our regular engaging and inspirational social media posts.

Student voice and leadership have been a particular strength this year. Our Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4 student leadership teams, and our school council have played a vital role in shaping our school. Their contributions have supported key developments, strengthened our community and ensured that student perspectives are at the heart of our work. They played a crucial role in the development of our new uniform policy effective from September.

As our school's reputation continues to grow, for the second year in a row a record number of families selecting Weston as their first-choice secondary school. This is a clear reflection of the trust and confidence our community places in us, and we are proud to be the school of choice for so many.

You will be aware that on 30 June and 1 July 2026 we welcomed Ofsted to inspect our school. We are extremely proud of the feedback we have received and the rapid progress we have made. We are excited for the report to be published in September so you can read this for yourself. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your positive feedback to inspectors in the parental survey.

Please find below some key dates for the rest of this academic year and our return to school in September.

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2026** – Last day of the academic year with students being dismissed at 12:30pm.

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2026**– Year 11 and Year 10 results day (more information to follow).

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2026** – INSET Day (school closed to students).

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2026** – INSET Day (school closed to students).

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September** – ALL students return to school.

First day timings are below:

<b>Year Group</b>	<b>Start Times (roll call on tennis courts)</b>
7	08:25
8	09:30
9	09:30
10	09:30
11	09:30

If your child travels by bus to school, please refer to the Blue Star website for timings.

Thank you once again for your unwavering support. I wish you and your families a restful, safe and enjoyable summer break.

Kind regards,



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