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Dear Parents,

As we reach the end of another academic year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and partnership. Schools are at their strongest when families and staff work together, and your encouragement of your children and support for our school community has made a significant difference throughout the year.

This has been a year filled with achievement, growth and opportunity. Our students have much to be proud of, whether through their academic progress, their participation in sport, the performing arts, leadership roles, enrichment activities or the many acts of kindness and resilience they demonstrate each day. They continue to impress us with their enthusiasm, determination and willingness to embrace new challenges.

Our examination year groups have shown remarkable commitment and perseverance. We are incredibly proud of the maturity and resilience they have demonstrated, and we wish them every success as they await their results and take their next steps.

Throughout the year, we have celebrated many individual and collective successes. From outstanding classroom achievements to memorable performances, sporting successes, educational visits and community events, our students have represented the school with pride and distinction. Their accomplishments reflect not only their own hard work, but also the dedication of our staff and the invaluable support they receive at home.

As we now look forward to the summer break, I hope it provides an opportunity for everyone to rest, recharge and enjoy time with family and friends. I also encourage our students to continue reading, exploring new interests and making the most of the opportunities the summer offers, returning in September refreshed and ready for another exciting year of learning.

Finally, we look forward to welcoming all students back to school on Wednesday 2nd September and continuing to build on the successes of this year.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Down
Headteacher

KEY INFORMATION

Open Events for Years 4, 5 & 6

We are excited to announce the dates for our open events for prospective families in Years 4, 5, and 6. A flyer with full details and booking links is attached.

These events are extremely popular and places fill up quickly, so early booking is highly recommended. If you or someone you know is considering St Cuthbert Mayne for their child, please do book a place 🖱️ <https://st-cuthbertmayne.co.uk/open-events/>

Safeguarding Update

Attached is a safeguarding letter from our Designated Safeguarding Lead, providing key information to support student safety and wellbeing.

Term Dates

A gentle reminder **not** to use Google to find our term dates, as this can bring up outdated or incorrect information. The most accurate and up-to-date information can always be found on our website:

🖱️ [Term Dates – St Cuthbert Mayne School](#)

2026/27 Photos and Media Consent Form

As we prepare for the 2026/27 academic year, we are asking all parents to complete our Photos and Media Consent Form for next year. We would be grateful if you could complete the form by Tuesday 1st September 2026 to ensure your child's preferences are recorded before the start of the new academic year. 🖱️ [Parent Consent Form](#)

Autumn Term Key Dates

Please see the dates for your diary below:

Upcoming Dates		
Tuesday	01/09/2026	INSET Day (including department meeting)
Wednesday	02.09.26	Students Return (all year groups)
Friday	11.09.26	Open Morning
Wednesday	16.09.26	School Photographs (Yrs 7, 10, 12 and new starters)

Friday	25.09.26	Open Morning
Friday	25.09.26	European Day of Languages
Thursday	01.10.26	Meet the Tutor Evening (including UCAS)
Friday	02.10.26	Deep Learning Afternoon
Friday	09.10.26	Open Morning
Monday	12.10.26	Flu Vaccinations
Wednesday	14.10.26	SEND Review Day
Thursday	22.10.26	Yr 11 Pathways Evening/Sixth Form Open Evening
Monday	02.11.26	Yr 11.13 Mock Exams (Monday 2nd Nov - Friday 13th Nov)
Wednesday	11.11.26	Remembrance Day Services (11am)
Friday	13.11.26	Coursework Catch-Up Day
Wednesday	18.11.26	Sixth Form Taster Day
Thursday	19.11.26	School Production: Little Shop of Horrors (Main Hall)
Friday	20.11.26	School Production: Little Shop of Horrors (Main Hall)
Wednesday	25.11.26	GCSE Certificate Afternoon (Library)
Thursday	26.11.26	Year 12/13 Parents' Evening (Sports Hall)
Friday	27.11.26	St Cuthbert Mayne Day & Services (Sports Hall/Staff Room)
Monday	30.11.26	School Closed
Thursday	03.12.26	Year 11 Parents' Evening (Sports Hall from 3.20pm - 5.50pm)
Tuesday	08.12.26	Sixth Form Parliament Visit (date is subject to change)
Wednesday	09.12.26	SEND Review Day
Thursday	10.12.26	Carol Concert (Venue and times TBC)
Tuesday	15.12.26	Yr 7 Panto (10.30am in the Main Hall)
Wednesday	16.12.26	Yr 7 Panto (10.30am in the Main Hall)
Friday	18.12.26	Christmas Services

We look forward to welcoming all students back to school on **Wednesday 2nd September 2026 at 8.40am!**

