

21 June 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

As the end of the term is fast approaching, I would like to confirm the arrangements for school holidays and the end of this year and the start of next term.

Our school holiday dates and inset days for the next four years have now been published on our website http://www.garibaldi.org.uk/page.php?p=dates It is worth noting that next year's holidays have been published in this location for a number of years. We have published these dates well in advance to aid holiday planning.

Please be aware that the holiday pattern for The Garibaldi School is different from the Local Authority pattern. As stated on the Local Authority website, Academies and Academy Trusts are responsible for setting their own holidays; we joined the Nova Education Trust in October 2017. The school and governors recognise the need to align to the Trust holiday pattern and consequently we are gradually moving to the trust determined pattern. By bringing into line our holiday pattern with the Trust we ensure that we can access vital training, line-up systems and have access to additional opportunities. All of this will benefit the educational offer open to our students.

To further aid planning I can confirm that the school will close to students, for the summer holidays, on 23rd July at 3pm. This day will be a free non-uniform day. You will receive separate information regarding Sports Day and Activity Day.

Students return to school on Thursday 5th September 2019. This day will be a staggered start:

- Year 7 to arrive at 8.35am, please go to the school hall
- Year 8 and 9 to arrive at 10.05am, please go straight to mentor room
- Year 10 and 11 to arrive at 11.20am, please go straight to mentor room
- Year 12 to go to Sixth Form at 8.40am
- Year 13 to go to Sixth Form at 1pm

May I take this opportunity to wish you a pleasant summer and thank you for your support throughout the year.

Yours sincerely

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