



**St. Matthew's**  
Roman Catholic High School  
VOLUNTARY ACADEMY



21 July 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: Arrangements for the return to school in September**

You may be aware that over the last two terms we have introduced changes to the way that school runs in order to make St Matthew's a safer and more professional learning climate for everyone. In September further changes will take place to ensure we continue to drive standards forward. When students return in September there will be an insistence on perfect uniform at all times, new arrangements for dining in the canteen, new teaching and form groups to ensure that classes are more balanced and a new rewards and sanctions policy.

Months of planning has taken place to ensure that these changes will have a positive impact on the experience of students, but you will appreciate that this is a lot of change for students to take in when they return in September. Therefore, the return to school will be staggered for different year groups in the following way to enable staff to spend appropriate time with each year group introducing them to how school will run.

**Year 7 – Return on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September at 8.25am**

**Year 11 – Return on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September at 11.20am**

**Years 8/9/10 – Return on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September at 8.25am**

We hope our students and their families will enjoy a peaceful and relaxing summer holiday, and look forward to welcoming everyone back in September.

Kind regards

Mr S Atkin  
**Deputy Headteacher**