

22 June 2009

Dear Parent/Guardian
New SI Students

RETURN TO SCHOOL IN AUGUST 2009

You may hear rumours that the school will open late after the summer break and I wanted to reassure you that new SI students will be unaffected by arrangements **and will start school on Tuesday 18th August as planned.**

You will be aware of the major refurbishment project which has already taken place at the school over the past year; we are delighted with the results so far. Over the summer break, a substantial programme of building work is scheduled to take place, involving 10 departments as well as our Autism Resource. This final phase will see the project largely completed.

The scale and nature of the work over the summer will mean that a substantial part of the school building, involving mainly practical subjects, will not be available until the very start of the new term. Further work will be required after that to set the departments up again and equip them for student use.

I have sought approval from the local authority for an exceptional closure of the school on 18th August 2009 for students in the new S2 to S4 and those attending the Autism Resource: current Primary 7 students and the new S5 & S6 will attend as normal.

The phased return will provide an opportunity for practical departments to be organised and ready to receive S2 – S4 students on 19th August, and will allow senior pupils to have a positive role in introducing younger children to the upgraded and extended school building on the 18th.

I should also mention that the car park at the school will be closed completely during the holidays to allow for reconfiguration and resurfacing. The school will therefore be inaccessible to visitors until week commencing 10th August.

Yours sincerely

C.A.Horne
Head Teacher