



THE PALMER CATHOLIC ACADEMY

Part of The Good Shepherd Catholic Trust

7th November 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

GCSE Results Summer 2023

I am pleased to share the published GCSE data for the summer 2023. Our students performed incredibly well, this being a result of their hard work and the partnership with the academy and home. We are now classified as a 'well above average' school and in the top 4% of all secondary schools, with a Progress 8 score of +0.72. Well done to all students, parents/carers and staff. [School Performance - The Palmer Catholic Academy](#)

Uniform

As the colder days start to creep in, please ensure you check the academy's website before making any purchases. In particular, outdoor jackets are to be navy blue or black with no logos and should be able to be worn over blazers. Hats, gloves and scarfs should also be plain navy blue or black. [Academy Uniform](#)

Staff Inset Day

A reminder that the academy will be closed for all students on **Friday 24th November 2023**.

We shall also be closing the academy slightly earlier on **Thursday 23rd November** at **2.30pm**.

Academy Policies and Term dates

The academy website has lots of useful information including the Attendance Policy, Behaviour and Discipline Policy and various other policies. The term dates for 2024-2025 shall be published on 14th November 2023. [Academy key Information](#).

I attach a copy of the Behaviour and Discipline Policy.

Advance dates for the calendar

- Inset Day - Friday 24th November
- Year 10 Parental Consultation Evening - Wednesday 29th November
- Year 13 Parental Consultation Evening - Wednesday 13th December
- Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 15th December
- Carol Service - Wednesday 20th December at 6pm
- End of term - Thursday 21st December closing at 12.30pm
- Inset Day (no students) - Friday 5th January 2024
- All students return for Spring term - Monday 8th January 2024

Yours faithfully

Mr Downey
Headteacher