



Archbishop Blanch
SCHOOL

Archbishop Blanch School Voluntary Aided

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Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing this letter to update you on issues relating to attendance and punctuality in school. As I am sure you would all agree, children are most successful in school, both academically and socially, when they have regular attendance.

At the end of the last academic year and the start of this year, we have noticed an increase in the number of children who are absent due to holidays, appointments and minor ailments. Every absence is an opportunity missed and I would urge you to think carefully about each session your child may miss in school.

Although the last week of term in the summer may not be as academic as other weeks in the school calendar, it is a real opportunity to celebrate the different gifts and talents our students have and a chance to come together as a community, which helps to make our school successful and unique. Education is so pressured for children and staff; we often read articles about the mental wellbeing of students and the real stresses they feel, these end of term celebrations can be a real antidote to that.

The staff at Archbishop Blanch School work very hard to plan lessons, learning opportunities and special events to support the development of our students. There is a real value in the end of term events and a huge effort on the part of all staff to make them successful. When we look back at our time in school, the things we often remember are not always lessons, but people, friendships and events.

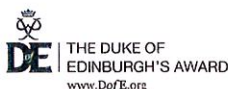
The start of each term is a real building block for the work to come. Each lesson missed is precious and very difficult to catch up on, with key words, concepts and opportunities to develop understanding for each subject being taught.

This year, our Inset Days have been planned to give parents and carers opportunities to be a little more flexible with holidays, as shown over the page. Please bear this in mind when planning and support us in giving your child the best education and opportunities possible.

Our school day starts promptly at 8.30 am. All children are due to be lined up at their room ready to start at this time. Please ensure your child is at school by 8.25 am ready to make a positive start to the school day.

Yours sincerely

Mrs C Madeloso
Headteacher





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ARCHBISHOP BLANCH CE HIGH SCHOOL TERM DATES ACADEMIC YEAR 2019/2020

Autumn 2019

Monday, 2 September

Tuesday, 3 September

Monday, 28 October – Friday, 1 November

Monday, 4 November

Friday, 20 December

Start of Term / **Inset Day**

Students Return to School

Half Term

Inset Day

End of Term

Spring 2020

Monday, 6 January

Tuesday, 7 January

Monday, 17 - Friday, 21 February

Friday, 3 April

Start of Term / **Inset Day**

Students Return to School

Half Term

End of Term

Summer 2020

Monday, 20 April

Friday, 8 May

Monday, 25 to Friday, 29 May

Thursday, 16 July

Friday, 17 July

Monday, 20 July

Start of Term

**May Day Bank Holiday/
VE Celebrations**

Half Term

End of Term for Students

Inset Day

Inset Day