



7<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: Curriculum Excellence Week**

We are very much looking forward to our Curriculum Excellence Week (CEW) and staff have been putting in a lot of time and effort to develop a rich, varied and engaging programme of events across the week beginning with Sports Day on 12<sup>th</sup> July.

Sports Day this year will be different to previous years with a whole host of activities throughout the day and we are encouraging all children to participate in these activities. Children should therefore come to school on 12<sup>th</sup> July in their full school PE kit. The PE Faculty have organised a broad range of activities including inter form competitions, the more traditional sports day events as well as a few new challenges such as an obstacle course, it looks set to be a fantastic day and we hope and pray for good weather. In case of it being sunny, children should bring with them sun hats and sun cream, as well as a refillable water bottle where possible. We will also be operating a tuck shop during the afternoon and would ask that you preload accounts using ParentPay to enable children to purchase refreshments including ice cream and cold drinks. We will not be accepting any cash payments.

Due to Covid-19 we have had to ensure preventative measures are used for Sports Day including:

- Year group bubbles will remain intact, there will be no inter-year events
- Year groups will sit in separate zones to maintain social distancing
- There will be a tuck shop for each Year group to ensure there is no mixing
- Children who are competing will regularly sanitise their hands
- Any equipment used will be sanitised on a regular basis

I have outlined below the activities for the remainder of CEW and this will just give a flavour of the broad range we are able to offer our children to enhance their learning experience:

Date	Activities	Dress Code	Additional Information
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	All Years Sports Day	School PE kit	Please bring water, sun cream and sunhat
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Y7 Creative Tech Y8 MFL/Expressive Arts Y9 RE Y10 Humanities	School Uniform School Uniform School Uniform School Uniform	
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Y7 MFL/Expressive Arts Y8 Maths Y9 Science	School Uniform	



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Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	All Years Careers Day	School Uniform	
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Y7 Chester Zoo Y8 Chester Zoo Y9 Humanities Y10 Maths	Own Clothes Own Clothes School Uniform School Uniform	The Chester Zoo visit will be back by 3pm. Those not attending Chester Zoo should attend school in full school uniform. A full day of activities will be planned for them
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Y7 English Y8 Science Y9 Creative Tech Y10 PE	School Uniform School Uniform School Uniform School PE Kit	
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	All Years Alton Towers Return to school 4.30pm, school buses will not run at this time, please make alternative arrangements	Own Clothes	Those not attending Alton Towers should attend school in full school uniform. A full day of activities will be planned for them
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	School closes at 12.15pm following normal lesson Periods 1 and 2, extended Form time and an end of year service	School Uniform	

We have been fortunate to be able to organise the visits to Chester Zoo and Alton Towers but must retain our preventative measures against Covid-19. Can I therefore draw your attention to the following:

- There will be no mixing between the Year groups on the coaches and staff will maintain social distancing between themselves and the children
- Hands must be sanitised before getting on the coach and throughout the day at regular intervals
- Face masks should be worn on the coaches at all times unless exempt



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- Any child who is late to school on the days of the offsite visits will risk losing their place on the trip, as the coach bubbles cannot be mixed
- Social distancing between Year groups must be maintained and children should maintain social distancing between themselves and members of the public
- All children must take a Lateral Flow Test before the Chester Zoo visit (Thursday evening) and the Alton Towers visit (Monday evening), any positive cases must be reported to school as soon as possible

Can I also take this opportunity to remind you that students should come appropriately dressed for the offsite days and be prepared for inclement weather. They should bring sufficient clothing, sun cream and for Chester Zoo a packed lunch. For Alton Towers, they may bring a packed lunch or money to purchase lunch. Any students in receipt of Free School Meals will be provided with a lunch pack.

If you have any queries regarding CEW please do not hesitate to contact me [c.pickles@stjamescheadle.co.uk](mailto:c.pickles@stjamescheadle.co.uk)

Thank you for your continued support, we are looking forward to a great week, please do follow us on Twitter if you don't do so already to keep up to date with all our activities @StJamesCheadle

Yours faithfully

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