

## PRESTON MANOR SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you have had a good week and all enjoyed the half term - which was a much-needed break as we head into a busy half term with exams, assessments, open evenings and of course, Christmas festivities!

As you are aware, this week saw the introduction of the School Street initiative for both of our schools. I know that this has meant that a few of you have had to change some of your arrangements for dropping off and picking up your son or daughter, but I want to say thank you to everyone because school arrival and dismissal has been the calmest and safest we have seen at the entrances to our schools - ever. Our students have also commented how much safer they feel when walking on Carlton Avenue East and above all else, this is the most important thing. *Thank you!*

On Thursday 21 November we will be holding our Sixth Form Open Evening event at our Upper School. This will be an opportunity for our Year 11 students to discuss possible options for Year 12 study, meet with our specialist staff to discuss each subject in detail as well as talk to our current Sixth form who are studying these subjects. We will also be welcoming a large number of external students from other schools who will be looking to join our fantastic Sixth Form. The evening will also include a talk from key leaders in the Sixth Form about expectations, studying at Post-16 as well as hearing more about the opportunities that we provide beyond the classroom - which at Preston Manor - are exceptional, all underpinned by academic excellence. Details will be sent to Year 11 parents in the coming weeks, but I look forward to seeing many of our Year 11 there. The evening is from 5.30pm - 7.30pm. Please book a place via our website: <https://www.preston-manor.com/open-days>

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind parents that we have three more 'open' events for September 2025 Reception intake. Our Open morning will be on Tuesday 19 November and Tuesday 10 December between 9.30am - 10am and the evening will be on Thursday 28 November between 5.30 - 6pm. It will be a great opportunity to meet our Lower School Headteacher Mr. Atkinson and have a tour of the school. Booking for these events is through our school website: <https://www.preston-manor.com/open-days>

On a final note, this week, I want to inform parents that our academic calendar dates are published on our school website for the 2025/2026 academic year. I would ask that all parents look at these dates and ensure that all holiday bookings are in holiday time only as taking holidays in term time will incur a fine from the Local Authority. Some key dates for next year are as follows:

**Autumn Term 2025** starts on Wednesday 3rd September 2025 for Year 7 and Year 12 only. **All other** students then return on Thursday 4 September (except the new Reception intake). Autumn term ends on Friday 19 December. Half term is October 27 - Friday 31 October.

**Spring Term 2026** starts on Tuesday 6 January and ends on Friday 27 March. Half term is Monday 16 February to Friday 20 February.

**Summer Term 2026** starts on Monday 13 April and concludes on Friday 17 July. Half term is Monday 25 May (Bank Holiday) - Friday 29th May. Please also note that Monday 4 May is also a Bank Holiday when school will be closed.

Please do adhere to these dates and I hope that you find this early publication helpful. Wishing you all a happy and peaceful weekend.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. R A Denial  
**Executive Headteacher**