

# ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

Act justly, love tenderly, walk humbly with your God



September 2026

## Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you and your families are well and that you had a restful, enjoyable and memorable summer break. Sam Keen, the American philosopher and writer who spoke extensively about human potential, once observed that **"Deep summer is when laziness finds respectability."** I very much hope that your summer was packed with just the right amount of respectability!

As we begin a new academic year, it is my great pleasure to welcome back our returning families and to extend a particularly warm welcome to those joining our **Learning Family** for the first time.

The beginning of a new school year is always a time of renewed energy, fresh opportunities and new possibilities. There is something special about the first days of September: new beginnings, new challenges and the opportunity for every student to make a positive start. We are excited about the year ahead and all that it will bring.

At St. Anne's, we remain committed to working closely with you to ensure that every young person has the opportunity to thrive — **academically, socially, emotionally and spiritually**. Our dedicated staff have been working hard over the summer to prepare an engaging programme of learning, enrichment and support, designed to challenge our students, nurture their talents and help them grow in confidence and character.

We know that the secondary school years are an important and sometimes challenging period in a young person's life. They are years of change, discovery and significant milestones. Our role is to guide, encourage and support our students as they navigate this journey, helping them to develop not only as successful learners but as compassionate, responsible and confident young people. We look forward to working in partnership with you throughout the year to make this a happy, successful and memorable one for your child.

## Keeping Us Informed

Please remember to inform the school via email at [admin@st-annes.enfield.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-annes.enfield.sch.uk) if there is a change in your family circumstances, particularly a change of address, telephone number or emergency contact details. Keeping our records up to date helps us to communicate with you effectively and ensures that we can support your child appropriately.

## Travelling to School

Where possible, we encourage students to walk or cycle to school, supporting their independence and wellbeing.

For students travelling by public transport, please take some time to remind your child about the importance of travelling safely and respectfully. Students should follow the instructions of

drivers and transport staff, behave considerately towards other passengers and remember that their conduct reflects not only on themselves but also on our school community.

### **Positive Behaviour for Learning**

We have high expectations of our students because we believe that every young person is capable of achieving great things.

Our **Positive Behaviour for Learning Policy** is designed to support students in making positive choices that enable them and those around them to learn, flourish and succeed. It establishes clear expectations and promotes an environment built on **mutual respect, responsibility and accountability**. The policy and our expectations have been carefully explained to students through assemblies and Form Time so that everyone understands what is expected and, importantly, why these expectations matter. We want our students to take increasing ownership of their choices, their learning and their contribution to our community.

Our aim is not simply good behaviour; it is to help our young people develop the habits, attitudes and character that will enable them to succeed both at school and beyond.

### **Appearance and Uniform**

St. Anne's seeks to provide a stable, welcoming and purposeful environment in which every young person feels that they belong. Our school uniform plays an important role in creating this sense of community and shared identity. Students are expected to wear the **full school uniform correctly and consistently** throughout the school day. We ask for your support in ensuring that uniform is worn in accordance with our expectations before your child leaves home each morning. Please remember that **socks and tights should be black or navy**.

Your support in maintaining high standards of uniform makes a significant difference and helps us to establish the calm, purposeful and professional environment in which our students can thrive.

### **Exam Results**

We are immensely proud of each and every one of our students and of the achievements they have secured. Their success is a reflection of their hard work, determination and resilience, alongside the commitment of our staff and the support of parents and carers.

We celebrate not only the results our students achieve, but also the personal growth, courage and perseverance that sit behind them. We will continue to encourage every student to recognise their potential and to approach each challenge with confidence and ambition.

As a Catholic school, we are also committed to ensuring that our students understand that success is about more than examination results. It is about the people we become and the difference we make to others.

Our staff will continue to work hard to live out the words of **Pope Leo XIV**, who calls us to be "*models in life, models in faith*." This is an aspiration that sits at the heart of our work at St. Anne's: to develop young people who are successful in their learning, strong in character and guided by faith, compassion and service. I would like to thank you in advance for your continued support and partnership. The relationship between home and school is one of the most important factors in enabling our young people to flourish, and we greatly value the trust you place in us.

If you have any questions or concerns during the year, please do not hesitate to contact your child's **Learning Support Coordinator or Pastoral Manager**. Their contact details are provided below.

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For your information, please note the early closure/late start dates for this Term. All of these are most necessary to the life of the school.

- Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September – the school will close at 12.00pm in order to prepare for the statutory Prospective Year 7 Open Evening for students who are applying for admission to Year 7 in 2027
- Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> September – students will start at a later time of 10.50am following the Open Evening, ready for a prompt start to Period 3 at 11.15am
- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – the school will close to students to enable staff to attend statutory training
- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November – the school will close to staff and students for a Self-Focus Day
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December – the school will close at 12.00pm for the last day of term

I wish all our students, families and staff a happy, successful and fulfilling academic year. I look forward to seeing our students embrace the opportunities ahead and, together, continuing to make St. Anne's a community of which we can all be proud

Yours sincerely



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