

# Summer Newsletter 2017

## July 2017



Issue 7



**IMPORTANT DATES:**  
School will re-open to students on  
4 September 2017

### Message from our Executive Headteacher

It has been an honour and a privilege to have been the SIC's Executive Headteacher for these last 3 years; this time has now come to an end. The demands as Exec Head have meant I've not been able to meet and work with as many of you directly as I would have liked.

I believe that the progress and care for our pupils is now much stronger than it has ever been and that this is testament to the hard work and devotion of our staff team and your support. The SIC can still improve and I welcome your new Headteacher, Mr Andrew Ireland, who will be starting in September to the SIC.

At the end of June we said goodbye to our Y11 students. We already have more exam passes for this group than in any other previous year— well done !! I am sure they will all be back on 24th August for their next results; school will be open from 10.30am to 12:30pm on this day. The whole staff team would like to take this opportunity to wish all our leavers every success in the future.

This has been a positive year for the Inclusion Centre and, as the report included with this letter makes clear, the Ofsted judgements for us were positive. We have great strengths in our Key Stage 1 and 2 provision, we have improving exam results, Safeguarding is excellent, relationships between staff and pupils and care for the pupils are strengths of the school.

September will see us continue to strive towards outstanding provision. We will continue to develop the curriculum across all aspects of the Centre, with an academic focus on GCSEs and Level 1/2 qualifications in Key Stage 4, have even higher reintegration rates and more Y11 leavers in employment and education.

I, the staff team and the leadership team would like to wish you all a safe and good summer and I wish you all the best for the future

**Tony Middleton, Executive Headteacher**





## Timings for the new school day at our Spring Lane site

The school day for KS3/4 students at Spring Lane

Full Time Students	
8:30 - 8:45am	Breakfast
8:45 - 9:00am	AM Tutorial
9:00 - 9:50am	Period 1
9:50 - 10:40am	Period 2
10:40 - 11:00am	Break
11:00 - 11:50am	Period 3
11:50 - 12:40pm	Period 4
12:40 - 1:10pm	Lunch
1:10 - 1:20pm	PM Tutorial
1:20 - 2:10pm	Period 5
2:10 - 3.00pm	Period 6

KS3 and KS4 Preparing	
9:50am - 10:40am	Period 2
10:40am-11:00am	Break
11:00am-11:50am	Period 3
11:50am-12:40pm	Period 4
12:40pm-1:10pm	Lunch
1:10pm-1:20pm	PM Tutorial
1:20pm-2:10pm	Period 5

Students will be expected to be in school to register with their tutor group at **8.45am**.

**Breakfast club** will be available from **8:15am**.

The school day will finish at **1.25pm** on a **Monday only** and **3.00pm** the rest of the week.

## School Holidays/Staff Training Days

	<u>School Closure</u>
Autumn Term	School re-opens on Monday 4 September 2017
INSET DAY	School will be closed for staff training on Friday 29 September 2017
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October Half-term	School will be closed from Monday 30 October 2017 to Friday 3 November 2017 inclusive
Christmas and New Year	School will be closed from Monday 25 December to Friday 5 January 2018 inclusive
February Half-term	School will be closed from Monday 19 February to Friday 23 February 2018 inclusive
INSET DAY	School will be closed for staff training on Monday 2 April 2018
Easter Holidays	School will be closed from Friday 30 March 2018 to Friday 13 April 2018
Bank Holiday	School will be closed for Bank Holiday Monday 7 May 2018
Spring Bank Holiday	School will be closed from 28 May 2018 to 1 June 2018 inclusive
Summer Holiday	School closes for the Summer Holidays from Friday 20 July 2018



## School Uniform

### Uniform!

All young people attending Sheffield Inclusion Centre (Spring Lane site) are issued with a uniform.

The uniform will consist of a black jumper with the school logo on, and a black polo shirt. Every student will be provided with a jumper and two polo shirts when admitted.

Students come back to school on Monday 4 September 2017. We expect students to wear dark/black trousers or skirts and black shoes. Additional items of uniform can be bought at cost price from school, you just need to get in touch.

Uniform gives our students a sense of 'belonging' at SIC and I know that I will be proud to see our students coming into and leaving SIC looking really smart and mature!

If you have any questions about uniform please contact school on 0114 2531988.



Remember additional items can be purchased from school just get in touch 0114 2531988.



## Attendance Information for Parents

SIC attendance target is 96%. Any pupil falling below this will be monitored closely by school. If attendance does not improve parents and pupils will be invited for interviews to explain their poor attendance. This could be with a school Governor, Team Leader or the Attendance Officer. In some cases this could be all three.

**Poor attendance = Poor attainment.**

The table below sets out the importance and the impact of **attendance** on your child's **attainment**.

**Above 97%: less than 12 sessions (6 full days of absence a year)** Excellent attendance. These students will achieve their full potential increasing their life chances.

**95%: 20 sessions (10 full days of absence a year)** Very good attendance. These students are likely to achieve good grades and have opportunities for college, work or training.

**91%: 34 sessions (17 full days of absence a year)** These students are missing more than 3 weeks of a school year. Research has shown that this can result in the loss of a full GCSE grade. This is the difference between a C and a D an A and a A\* or a U and a G. Students are unlikely to achieve their potential.

**85% and below: 56+ sessions Between Half terms 1-6 (28 full days of absence in a year)** Students in this category are missing more than 6 weeks of school in a year and will find it extremely difficult to catch up with work. Parents of these students are likely to be issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice.

**85% and below 48+ sessions between HT 1-5 (24 full days of absence in a year)** Students in this category are missing nearly 5 weeks of school in a year and will find it extremely difficult to catch up with work. Parents of these students are likely to be issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice.

**For every full week that a student attends school their attendance will increase by 2.5%**



## Attendance Information continued

### Attendance Policy and Procedures:

#### Parental responsibilities:

- Ensure your child is present and punctual for each school day. School starts at 08.45am
- Inform the school immediately by telephone or text on 0114 2531988 if your child will be absent from school or email [enquiries@inclusion.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@inclusion.sheffield.sch.uk)
- Provide medical evidence for absences where appropriate
- Respond immediately to any texts or letters sent home with regards to your child's absence
- Ensure all medical appointments are made outside of school hours where possible
- Ensure no holidays/leave are booked during term time
- For long term absence parents should liaise with their child's Team Leader and arrange for work to be completed to minimise the disruption of the child's learning
- Parents should work collaboratively and cooperatively to support their child in improving their attendance and engage with the school at meetings such as attendance panels
- Where a student needs to leave the school site during the day, parents/carers should provide a written letter and arrange to collect their child from school
- Parents/carers should support school and ensure their child leaves home in plenty of time to arrive at school for 8.45am

As a school we are committed to providing the best possible education for your child in order that they can succeed in the future. Like you, we want your child to be safe, happy and healthy. Please work with us to ensure your child has the best start in life by ensuring that they are in school every day.

Moving forward into the next academic year; we will continue to work closely with the Local Authority to ensure we have robust systems in place to highlight concerns around attendance and respond to any issues with your child's attendance in an appropriate and speedy manner.

As a parent/carer, it is your responsibility, as required by the Education Act 1996, Section 444, to ensure that your child is in school every day. Should your child not attend regularly, prosecution proceedings may be instigated against you. This could require you to attend Magistrates' Court where fines of up to £1,000, on each parent/carer for each child, can be imposed and/or a term of imprisonment of up to 3 months.



**Student's Work**



**A selection of GCSE Art work**



## GCSE Results Day

**24 August 2017**

The Sheffield Inclusion Centre will be open from  
10.30am – 12.30pm

for our Y11 leavers to collect their GCSE results

**Good Luck!**

## Achievements

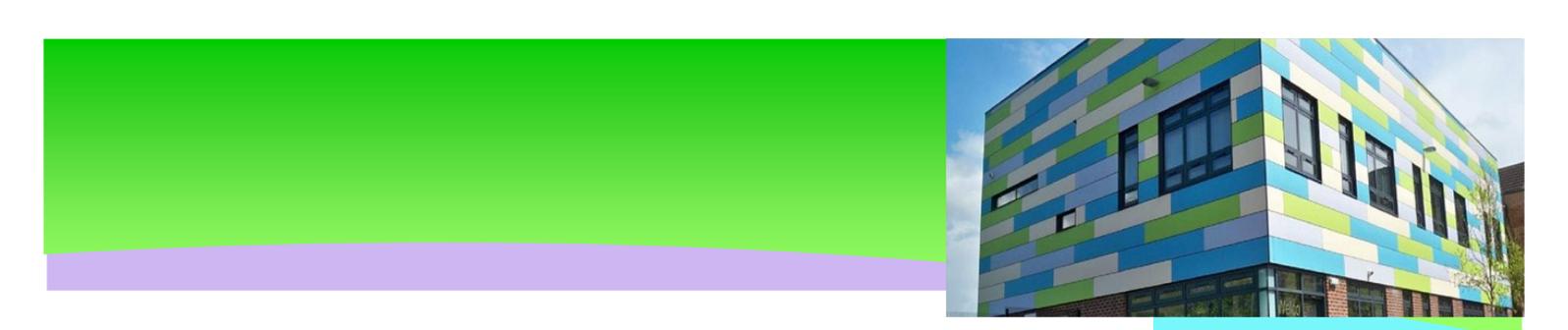
### KS3 Celebration Afternoon

We recently had an informal afternoon for KS3 students to share with parents the work they have been doing throughout the year. This was a great opportunity for pupils to show off their fantastic work from throughout the year. All the pupils and their parents loved and enjoyed the day.



## Fair Access Panel

29 students have successfully gained places in their new schools. We would like to wish them all good luck!



## Thank you message from a parent...

We have had lots of lovely messages from parents – an example below:

'Could you pass my thanks to all staff for the hard work that has been put in with Josh for him to finish his school years. It was much appreciated.'

## Edlounge

Remember to encourage your child to login to their Edlounge account:

<http://sheffieldinclusionedlounge.com>

## Website

Our school website address is:

[www.inclusion.sheffield.sch.uk](http://www.inclusion.sheffield.sch.uk)