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Dear Parent / Carer,

Well, what a year it has been! Many thanks to everyone for supporting us during the year, particularly in embedding the MEA Way of Safe, Respectful and Ready. The end of term activities have been particularly numerous and successful this time, but a special mention must go to students involved in the best production we have ever staged, The Little Shop of Horrors, and also to our students that recently attained the Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award – a fantastic achievement.

Arrangements for the end of term are as follows:

- **Monday July 22nd:** Sports Day. Students are to attend in their MEA PE kit.
- **Tuesday July 23rd:** Non-uniform Day. We ask students to contribute £1; this will go to one of our chosen charities. **The academy will close early at 12.05pm.**

Over the summer, we are re-modelling our reception area. Should you need to contact our office for any reason, entrance to the temporary reception will be via the MEA gates on Simonsway between the two buildings. We are also installing a new telephone system.

Results Day for Year 11s is on Thursday August 22nd, 10.00 – 12.00.

Just a few reminders ahead of our return in September. Please ensure your child has the correct uniform. This means:

- Blazer
- Tie
- A tucked in, white shirt
- Formal black trousers or pleated skirt
- Formal shoes - footwear resembling trainers is not acceptable
- No jewellery, other than a watch. Students will be required to remove any piercings regardless of when they have taken place!

Our approved uniform supplier, **MCS Stores**, will be holding a **pop-up shop at MEA on Sunday 11th August from 3.00pm – 6.00pm** if you need to purchase any uniform.

We are also introducing a new mobile phone policy in September. In line with other Wythenshawe schools, many schools in Manchester and an increasing number of schools nationally, we will be insisting that phones are off and away at all times during the school day. We will work with students to introduce this in the first weeks of term before enforcing it fully in mid-September. We thank you in advance for your support.

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We re-open for Years 7 and 12 only Wednesday, September 4th. Years 8, 9, 10 and 11 return to school on Thursday, September 5th.

I hope you have a safe and enjoyable summer and I look forward to seeing you all in the new term.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D Bell', with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Mr D Bell
Principal