

Our Ref: 053 13

28<sup>th</sup> March 2013

Dear Parent/Carer

### **End of Spring Term 2013**

As we draw to the close of a very busy and eventful term, I should like to draw your attention to some of our successes and to thank you for your co-operation and support.

Various fundraising events have taken place this term, including an own clothes day in support of WaterAid, an international charity that transforms lives by improving access to safe water, hygiene and sanitation. A total of £553 was raised. Well done to all our students for their efforts!

The annual ski trip is taking place during the Spring Break, this year to Italy. We wish staff and students alike, happy skiing and an enjoyable holiday!

A number of Duke of Edinburgh expedition assessments have also taken place this term with students working towards awards in Bronze and Silver. The Duke of Edinburgh's Award is a very worthwhile award to achieve as it encourages young people to become involved in many new, enjoyable and challenging activities in their leisure time and is also recognised as a very commendable achievement by hundreds of employers. Thanks go to all staff involved for their hard work and support.

The Sixth Form Open Evening was held on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January. The evening was a great success and was extremely well attended with over 300 prospective students and their parents! Again, our thanks go to all staff for their support and commitment.

A copy of the full school calendar for the Summer term is attached, however, you may wish to make a note in your diary of the important dates listed below:-

Please note – change of date for open evening on the enclosed school calendar.

**OPEN EVENING WILL NOW TAKE PLACE ON WEDNESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2013 – 6.00 P.M. – 9.00 P.M.**

### **Important Future Dates**

Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2013	<b>STAFF IN SERVICE TRAINING DAY. SCHOOL CLOSED.</b>
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April 2013	Year 10 Examinations (all week)
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> April 2013	Key Stage Three Assessments (for three weeks)
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2013	<b>BANK HOLIDAY. SCHOOL CLOSED.</b>
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2013	Yr 11 Celebration Buffet for students 11.40 a.m. Yr 11 Record of Achievement Presentation Service. St Anne's Church. 7.00p.m.

Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> May 2013	Sixth Form Leavers Service 9.00 a.m. Sixth Form Leavers Ball, the Radisson Blu, Liverpool 7.00p.m. Study Leave Begins.
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May 2013	GCSE and A Level Examinations begin
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> May 2013	Year 10 Parent Consultation Meeting – 3.45 p.m. – 6.45 p.m.
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June 2013	A2 Induction
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June 2013	Open Evening (Year 7 Entry, September 2014) 6.00-9.00 p.m. School Closes 12.45 p.m.
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2013	Sixth Form Pre Enrolment Day.
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2013	Common Induction Day for Year 6 students
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July 2013	Sports Day
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2013	<b>End of Term. School Closes 12.00 p.m.</b>

Please also find enclosed a copy of our Spring Term Prize Draw Appeal. All monies raised are for the benefit of the students – please see leaflet for further details and prizes on offer!

The Open Evening for prospective students and parents for entry to Year 7 in September 2014 will be held on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June from 6.00 p.m. until 9.00 p.m. Please let any family and friends, who have a child and who may be interested in gaining a place for their son at St. Margaret's, know about this important school event.

On a final note, may I draw your attention to the following:-

We have had complaints from our neighbours regarding insensitive parking by parents when they attend parents' consultation evenings. Could I please ask you to be extra sensitive about this? As you know we do open our Cricket & Sports Centre car park on such events but we struggle to accommodate the number of cars because of the outstanding support that we get from our parents for which we are most grateful.

Some parents are continuing to enter the front car park early and sit and wait for their children at the end of school. We now have a drop off and pick up area adjacent to the front entrance which is to be used by parents only if their children have health or mobility problems. There are still 5 visitors car parking directly in front of the gate. Please do not park in the one way system of the front car park or try and get into Church Lane. May I please also remind you that it is against the law to park on the yellow zig zags on Aigburth Road, directly outside the school at any time. These restrictions are provided for safety reasons to ensure clear sight lines for both motorists and children outside school. Your support in these matters would be greatly appreciated.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and holy Easter and a restful spring break.

Yours sincerely



**Dr D F Dennison**  
**Headmaster**