



22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022

## From the Headteacher

### Holiday Activity and Food programme

A full timetable for Sunderland's Holiday Activity and Food programme (HAF) – known as Wear Here 4 Summer – is now available at [www.togetherforchildren.org.uk/HAF](http://www.togetherforchildren.org.uk/HAF). The timetable is split by areas across the city and all activities are listed by provider and include age range, activity, dates/times and booking information. Printable PDF copies of the timetables are also attached for anyone who is unable to access the website.

HAF is a free programme aimed at children and young people who receive means-tested free school meals during term time, and well as young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities. This summer, the programme will be extended to support families in Sunderland experiencing financial hardship due to the cost of living. Please share this weblink with eligible families via email, letter or text message to encourage them to find out more about the activities in their area and book a place. If families need support to sign up, or if they have any questions, they can contact us at [HAF@togetherforchildren.org.uk](mailto:HAF@togetherforchildren.org.uk).

### Term Dates

School will end this term on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022 at 1pm.

Students will return for the new year to school on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

INSET Days for the 2022-2023 academic year are:

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Other than the above dates, all school holidays will follow those published by Sunderland Local Authority.

### Free School Meal Vouchers – Summer Holidays

Students who are entitled to Free School Meals will be allocated a £60 supermarket voucher for the Summer Holidays, including current Year 11 pupils. These vouchers will be sent out electronically by text and email addresses next week as they have been done previously. If there are any difficulties in accessing these vouchers when you have received communications from the voucher provider, Wonde, please email the school on [thr-enquiries@consilium-at.com](mailto:thr-enquiries@consilium-at.com).

### Year 10 Maximising Grades

#### Summer School



Summer School  
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### **Breakfast Club**

Breakfast club is available to ALL students from 8.00am each morning, gates open at 7.30am. Everyone is welcome.

### **Music**

Blood Brothers 21.09.22 9 Tickets are available for Blood Brothers on 21.09.22 at £15 each (Parent Pay). Please note that Current Y10 GCSE Drama students have their tickets already.

### **Uniform**

Thank you for your ongoing support with the standards and expectations around your Childs jacket inside of the school building and the type of jacket they must wear to school. Can we remind you that body warmers, sports jackets and hoodies are all unacceptable pieces of uniform for Thornhill.

### **Improved Punctuality of our Amazing Students**

The Attendance Team at Thornhill Academy would like to thank all parents/carers that have supported our continuing improvement in punctuality.

Students are expected on school site for 8.30am ready for registration starting at 8.40am.

Alternatively, students are also welcome to school from 7.30am and can take advantage of a free breakfast in the school restaurant.

The support of parents getting students to school on time cannot be underestimated and we are extremely grateful for all your efforts. We hope this continues and thank you for all of your support and working together with us.

Further information regarding your child's attendance and punctuality can be found on the SIMS parent app.

Should you have any queries or require further information on any item in the news bulletin, you can contact the school by the following methods:

Telephone: 0191 5007981

Email: [thr-enquiries@consilium-at.com](mailto:thr-enquiries@consilium-at.com)

Website: <http://thornhillschool.org.uk>

Twitter: @thornhill\_uk

Facebook: Thornhill Academy