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Dear Parent/Carer

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your support during this academic year. In the final full week of the school year, I am asking for your continued support to ensure that the process of teaching and learning continues until the last bell.

The last day (Friday 21st July) time-table will be:

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| - A.M. Registration with Form Tutor | 0830 - 0850 |
| - Period 1 Lesson | 0850 - 0940 |
| - Period 2 Lesson | 0940 - 1030 |
| - Morning Break | 1030 - 1050 |
| - Period 3 Form Period/Assembly Y7&8 | 1050 - 1140 |
| - Period 4 Form Period/Assembly Y9&10 | 1140 - 1230 |
| - Lunch 12.30 pm to 1.00pm | 1230 - 1300 |
| - P.M. Registration with Form Tutor | 1300 - 1315 |

Due to this altered time of the school day, the only confirmed bus that will be available at 1.15 p.m. will be the Chesters 917. The Y6 and Y37 cannot accommodate a bus at this earlier time.

It has been an incredibly busy year. We have had a wide range of sporting events and collected many, many trophies again. We have celebrated our students' creativity at Oscars Night, Express Yourself Showcase, the Creative Careers event and many more besides. Our production of The Annie was a highlight of the year with so much talent in evidence both on and off stage. We recognise children who have done the right thing day in day out through our Rewards' Trips and our Rewards' Evening. We have broadened horizons through a wide variety of trips and visits including London, Salford & Manchester Theatre trips, and trips to L.A., New York, Paris and Rome plus a ski trip and a football tour. We also marked Armistice Day with a whole school poppy drop and celebrated Christmas by holding our Christmas Express.

We are constantly working to improve the school, and this summer will be carrying out some further building work to improve classrooms.

Our Senior Leadership Team 'Drop In Surgery' will remain on a Monday 2.30 p.m. – 5.00 p.m. There will be no need to make an appointment – just turn up.

All students need to learn how to use a scientific calculator.

We recommend Casio FX-83GTPLUS or FX-85GTPLUS which are available from supermarkets and Amazon.

First Day Back arrangements:

Pupils should arrive at school on **Tuesday 5th September, 2017** and assemble in the Atrium at the following times where staff will meet students and welcome them to their new school year.

Year 7, plus Year10 Peer Mentors & Student Leadership Team
Gather in the Atrium from 8.15 a.m.
Assembly at 8.30 a.m.

Year 11
Gather in the Atrium from 9.15 a.m.
Assembly at 9.30 a.m.

Years 8, 9 & 10
Gather in the Atrium from 9.45 a.m.
Move to Form Rooms at 10.00 a.m.

Lessons will start at 11.10 a.m. (Period 3)

Please keep in mind our high expectations of school uniform and be aware that students are expected back to school in September with the correct full school uniform (trainers, canvas shoes, leisure shoes, Vans etc. are **not** permitted). May we take this opportunity to remind you that any new piercing **must be done at the very beginning of the Summer holiday**, so that they may be removed if required in September.

School buses will continue using the drop-off and collection points on Birch Road (please check the school website for the school bus time-table). Please note that in order to use the Yellow School Buses, pupils need to have an IGO Pass and have booked a place on the Yellow Bus directly with Transport for Greater Manchester. We strongly advise that parents continue to encourage youngsters to walk or cycle to school and use Birch Road as a drop off or collection point only when necessary.

Our children's safety is paramount and other roads around the school site are not suitable for cars to use as collection points as they may cause considerable congestion which could become a safety risk for our students. We are confident that you will support us in assuring our children's safety by avoiding these roads whilst at the same time taking into consideration our residents.

On your behalf, I must take this opportunity to express my thanks to all the staff for their hard work with the pupils both inside and outside the classroom and beyond the end of the school day. The students and the school would be very much poorer without this dedication. It is very much appreciated.

Wishing you all a good and safe summer holiday. Let's hope it's a sunny one this year!

Yours sincerely



Mr S.D. Lennox
Headteacher

At Walkden High School we encourage pupils to respect the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs.

