



June 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian

Your son/daughter's end of year report has been published via the Parent App. I hope that from the information provided you will be able to gain a clear picture of progress during this past academic year. I take this opportunity to wish you a very relaxing and peaceful summer.

Please also find attached the up-to-date holiday list and uniform list. Please ensure when purchasing the school skirt that it is of an appropriate length in order to facilitate the growth of your child throughout the year – **the skirt must be to the knee.**

Friday 28 June 2024 will be the end of this academic year. The day will finish at approximately **12.00 noon** and a list of bus departure times for the final day of term is also attached.

I encourage you to view our online calendars, school website and Twitter feeds which provide up-to-date information throughout the year: www.banbridgeacademy.org.uk

On **Tuesday 27 August 2024** pupils in **Year 11** begin school at **9.00am** and finish at **3.25pm**. Please note that there will be no school buses until Monday 2 September 2024.

On **Monday 2 September 2024** pupils in **Years 9 and 10** begin school at **9.00am** and finish at **3.25pm**. Please note that there will be school buses from this day and bus passes will be distributed as soon as we receive them. We understand that pupils can use Transport for the first two weeks without their pass, to enable the passes to be distributed.

Free School Meals & School Uniform Grants

All parents/guardians (including new applicants) are required to apply each year via the online application process:

<https://www.eani.org.uk/financial-help/free-school-meals-uniform-grants>

It would be remiss of me not to mention and pay tribute to Mr Tim Baxter (PE), Mrs Fiona Campbell (Mathematics), Mrs Olga Casey (Art) and Mr Jamie Farrell (Mathematics), who are retiring at the end of the academic year – they have given years of dedicated service to generations of pupils in Banbridge Academy.

I look forward to welcoming your son/daughter back to Banbridge Academy and hope that it will be a fulfilling and enjoyable academic year.

Finally, I wish you and your family a happy, safe and restful holiday period.

Yours sincerely

R S McLoughlin OBE
Principal