

18 September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

Summer Survey Feedback

Thank you to everyone who took part in our summer survey in June and July last year. Receiving such overwhelmingly positive feedback provides a huge boost to all our staff and reinforces our motivation to make Parmiter's School the best school it can possibly be for everyone in the Parmiter's Family.

Highlights from the feedback included:

- 99% believe the school provides a broad education enabling their child to achieve their full potential, offers valuable co-curricular opportunities and would recommend Parmiter's to another parent.
- 99.5% report that their children feel safe at school.

Following your responses, we are implementing some initiatives we consulted on:

SIMS Parent App: We are working with SIMS to roll out their Parent App this academic year. This will give parents live visibility of conduct points, calendars and attendance, to help you support your children at home.

Two-week October half term: We confirmed with the Governing Body this week that we will introduce a two-week October half term starting in the 2027–2028 academic year. While acknowledging this will create challenges for some and remove them for others, particularly around term date alignment with other schools, we will revisit this decision in two years to assess the national benefits reported, such as reduced autumn illness, fewer term time absences and dedicated weeks for school trips. You can view our confirmed term dates [here](#) and they will now be published on our website.

Summer Uniform: Tailored black shorts worn with socks and shoes will become an official part of the summer uniform starting this May. Full details are available in our updated uniform policy [here](#). The school will no longer move to PE kit in hot weather, as the shorts and shirt or skirt and blouse will offer a cooler option and leave PE kit as a change for physical activity.

Reporting and curriculum: We will retain written comments on subject reports and seek your feedback on the newly adopted Parmiter's Curriculum Levels during our surveys in November and June.

Chromebooks and evening use: While listening to your views on the option to disable Chromebooks between 11.00pm and 5.00am and deciding not to implement an automatic shutdown at this time, we would like to reiterate that students should not be completing schoolwork or using their Chromebooks during these overnight hours as a matter of course.

School trips selection: We are not strictly implementing a selection process for all trips based on conduct points or attitude to learning scores. However, students must meet school expectations to participate in staff-led trips, and existing ballot systems for oversubscribed trips will remain in place.

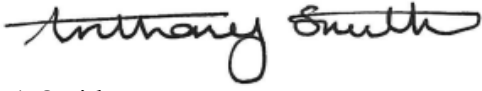
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We will continue to run our surveys each November and June to consult you on proposed changes, ensuring your voice is heard, and our decisions always prioritise your children's best interests. As you can see over the course of the last year, there have been many positive changes made and systems retained as a result of your views.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Anthony Smith". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped 'A' and a stylized 'S'.

A Smith
Headteacher