



# THE COOPERS' COMPANY AND COBORN SCHOOL

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Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2024

**Re: Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2024  
'Whole School', 'Year 13' and 'Year 11' photos**

Dear Parent(s) and Carer(s)

On the first Tuesday after the Easter holiday, (16<sup>th</sup> April) Carmel Jane Photography will be attending school so that we are able to create the following photographs:

- A whole school photograph – with all students and staff included
- A Year 11 group photo – with all students in Year 11 and associated pastoral staff
- A Year 13 group photo – will all students in Year 13 and associated pastoral staff

Additionally, there were a number of students who were absent in November when individual student photographs were taken – and so these students will also have the opportunity of an individual photo. If this includes your child, then you will receive an additional letter with further information.

Previously, we would have been required to erect staging on the school field and logistically arrange for hundreds of students to be photographed at a time. Due to the advent of technology, these photos are now taken individually using 'green screen' technology. As such, your son/daughter will have their individual photograph taken, lasting around 5 seconds, and then the individual photographs will be merged to create the group shots.

There are significant advantages to this method of producing group photographs and many local secondary schools now adopt this approach. As such, a schedule has been put together which minimises the impact on student learning and this will be shared with your child on the first morning back after Easter. If your son/daughter is involved in Year 10 exams – we have scheduled their photograph, to minimize disruption and anxiety.

If you are interested in purchasing the photographs, Carmel Jane offer an excellent online ordering system, where you deal directly with them, rather than going through the school. We will provide you with further details on purchasing the group photos next half term.

On Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April, as usual, could I ask you to ensure that your child is immaculately dressed for school, in full school uniform, including a blazer. If you have any questions, or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your son/daughter's Head of Year at the school.

Yours sincerely

Mr R Bell  
Deputy Head