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Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Start of the new school year arrangements - reminder

Please find a reminder of the arrangements for the start of the new school term and expectations for students. This information was originally sent out in the Headteacher's end of term letter dated 19 July 2023.

Return to school in September

Monday 4 September 2023 is a training day for school staff and the school will be closed to most students.

Tuesday 5 September 2023 is an induction/transition day for students in Y7 and Y12.

Y7 students are to arrive at school between 9.15am and 9.30am.

Y12 should arrive at 10.00am for a welcome assembly at 10.15am, where they will be given further information about the day.

Wednesday 6 September 2023 is an induction/transition day for students in Y7 and students in Y12/Y13.

Students in Y7 should arrive at the normal start time.

Students in Y12 should arrive at the normal start time.

Y13 students should register in main reception at 11.30am for a welcome assembly at 11.45am, where they will be given further information about the day.

Students in Y12 and Y13 have also received separate communications from the sixth form team regarding the arrangements for their return to school. Timetables for the new school year will update on Edulink on 4 September 2023. Y12 and Y13 students should follow the sixth form dress code, which is available in the Personal Development Log or on the school website [here](#).



All other students will start the new school term on **Thursday 7 September 2023 and should arrive at school at the normal start time.**

It is vital that all students return to school on time. If students do not return without good reason and school are not informed, then after the regulation period of time they will be taken off roll and the school place given to the student at top of the waiting list. Attendance interventions start at 95% attendance, which is equivalent to one day off in two weeks.

Uniform from September

Please help your child to make a positive start to the new school year by ensuring that basic expectations are met:

No leggings, tracksuit bottoms or combats are allowed - where students do not present in correct uniform, they will be required to change into correct items provided by the school.

Shorts - students are allowed to wear shorts in the final half term of the year only.

Nails - please be reminded that nail varnish and false or gel nails are not permitted. Please ensure these are removed ahead of the new school year.

Jewellery - students are welcome to wear stud earrings, a wristwatch and a discrete nose stud. Jewellery beyond these items is not permitted.

Ahead of our new school year (23/24) we will be making a small change to our uniform expectations. You will be aware that our uniform policy aims to ensure attire that is both cost effective and comfortable. All aspects of our uniform should always be appropriate for the demands of a full day at school, including moving up/downstairs and around the school site. As fashions change it is often appropriate for us to adjust our expectations and, having seen a change in skirt styles worn by students, we will be implementing the following from September:

All skirts must be closer to the knee than waist in length.

We ask for your support in ensuring your child meets uniform expectations from the start of the new term in September. Can I also remind you to ensure any holiday hair or nails styles are returned to school standards before your children come into school so we don't start the school year with a negative interaction? Finally, remember that shoes must be all black. Necklaces, rings, bangles and any phones out in school will be confiscated.

Compasses must not be brought to school

Sets of compasses will be provided by teachers if they are needed in lessons. Students must not bring sets of compasses to school from September - please ensure they are removed from your child's pencil cases as they will be confiscated during equipment checks in September.

Appointments to visit the school

May I please take this opportunity to remind you that visits to the school should be via appointment only? If you attend school unannounced wishing to speak to a particular member of staff, the likelihood is that this will not be possible and you will be asked to make an appointment at a convenient time. When dropping off and collecting students from school, please do not use the school car park, unless you have made an arrangement with staff to do so beforehand.

New sixth form block and decanting days

Progress with our wonderful new sixth form block is on schedule, and we are planning to move into it, as planned, over the Christmas holidays at the end of the year starting lessons there in January 2024.

To allow for moving staff and resources across mid-year and reorganising the rooms freed up in the main school block we are taking advantage of Department for Education provision for decanting days. That means we will have two additional days of school closure on Friday 22 December 2023, and Monday 8 January 2024, for us to get the new building up and running. That means we will break up for Christmas on Thursday 21 December 2023 and return for spring term on Tuesday 9 January 2024.

Yours faithfully



Mr P Haigh
Headteacher

