

## **FAQ – Transition**

### **What uniform will I need?**

All our uniform information can be found on our website.

Please note house tie, blazer, badge & house pin will be available for purchasing from the Main School Reception (once we are open).

### **What stationery will I need?**

Sharpener, rubber, pencil, highlighters, ruler, several blue and black pens, CASIO FX93gt scientific calculator, protractor and compass.

### **What PE kit will I need?**

White polo shirt, black shorts, black socks, football boots, trainers and water bottle.

No replica football kits, coloured tops or tracksuit bottoms.

### **What time does the school day start?**

Pupils go to their form room at 8.50 a.m. – 9.20 a.m. to register and to get ready for the school day.

### **What time does the school day end?**

The school ends at 3:20 p.m. We do have a range of extra-curricular activities after school as well as homework club 3:30-4:00 p.m.

### **Will I be able to get a locker?**

Yes, you will be able to apply for a locker to use each year. Lockers require a £5.00 deposit.

### **Who do I go to if I'm upset?**

If you are worried or upset about anything you can talk to your Form Teacher or you can speak to our pastoral team.

Miss Hughes – Head of Year 7

Miss Monaghan- Assistant Head of Year 7

### **Who Is the point of contact for my child?**

We ask parents and carers to contact their child's Form Tutor as their first point of call. This can be done via email, booking an appointment or phone call. The Form Tutor will then direct your concern/information to the correct member of staff.

Please note that we have a 48 hour response time.

### **How do I organise my homework?**

Your teachers will set your homework on 'Show My Homework.' This will give you a timetable of work and tell you the deadlines for each piece of work. Year 7s are given two weeks to complete each homework.

We run homework club Monday -Thursday 3:30-4:00 p.m. in the library for all students if you require a computer, printer or additional support.

### **Where do I go if I need first aid?**

If you require first aid you can go to Pupil Reception or the Main School Office.

### **What time is break and lunch time?**

Break time is at 11:20- 11:40 a.m.

Lunch- 12:40-1:20 p.m.

### **Can I bring my own food into school?**

Yes, you can bring your own food for break and lunchtime.

You are not allowed to bring fizzy drinks into school.

### **How much can I spend a day?**

You buy your lunch with 'parent pay' as we don't accept cash. You will be shown how this works when you arrive in September.

You have a £4:00 daily limit on your parent pay, unless your parent/carer chooses to change this.

Students eligible for free school meals will automatically have their accounts credited with their daily allowance.

The menu is on our website and shows what's offered and weekly prices.

**Am I allowed to bring my mobile phone to school?**

You are allowed to bring your mobile to school, but it can only be used outside of the school building. We do not allow mobile phones to be used inside school. Mobiles will be confiscated for the day if used in a lesson/around the building.

Pupils are also not permitted to take photographs or videos on the school premises or while in school uniform.

If you need to contact a parent/ carer within the school day then you need to go to Pupil Reception

**How do I find my classrooms?**

When you arrive in September you will be allocated a 'Transition Mentor' these pupils will help you learn where rooms are and guide you to your classrooms.

**What bus can I get to school?**

A detailed booklet about transport can be found on our website.

**What do I do if I am sick and unable to come into school?**

Please let the school know on the first day of absence with a reason for the absence by ringing the main school phone number and request the 'absence' extension.

Please try to make any medical and dental appointments, as far as possible, for holidays or after school. If this is not possible a form needs to be completed and given in at Pupil Reception

**Where is lost property?**

PE kit- PE changing rooms

General lost property – Pupil Reception.

**Do I have to get changed into my PE kit for lunch time clubs?**

No, but ideally you put your trainers on, if you have them.

**What happens if I have an injury and cannot do PE?**

You must get changed into your school PE kit and have a signed letter from your parent/guardian explaining the injury/time frame.

**Does the school offer musical instrumental lessons?**

Yes, we offer a wide variety of lessons including singing and DJ lessons. Pupils who wish to learn a musical instrument or continue instrumental lessons, can collect an instrumental parent consent letter from Mr Clark - Curriculum Leader of Music at the start of the school year.