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'The school's work to promote pupils' personal development and welfare is outstanding'. (Ofsted)

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#### **Dear Parent/Carer**

I hope you have enjoyed the summer so far. As we look forward to welcoming all of our young people back into school am writing to you with some information regarding the start of term that begins for students on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> of September.

## Return to school for students - Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> of September

This year, as we did prior to the pandemic, students will all start school on the same day. However, to ease entry into school for our new starters there will be a slight staggered start. Next Tuesday Year 7 and Year 11 students need to arrive at 8.40 for an 8.45 start. Year 8,9 and 10 should all arrive at 9.40 for a 9.45 start. From Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> all students should arrive at normal time.

Students with bikes in Year 7 should arrive at the main gates. All other cyclists should enter the site through the bottom gates through the staff car park. Students should walk their bikes once on the site. Staff will be on hand at entrances and around the school to direct students.

#### Year bases

Students should line up in forms outside their new year block. Staff will be present to remind them of the correct areas. Please remind your child of the blocks below where their year groups will be situated this year.

Year 7	C Block (Science)
Year 8	A Block upstairs (English)
Year 9	A Block downstairs (Humanities)
Year 10	F Block and G Block (Technologies and Languages)
Year 11	D Block (Mathematics)

### **Buses**

Buses this year will continue to be ran by Finches. On the first day we have asked that the buses run at two different to allow students arriving at both 8.40 and 9.40 to access the bus. We will send a further Parentmail to confirm the adjusted timings later this week. From Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> the buses will run at normal times. This will also be sent out to help families. Finches have also sent us their updated pricing which I have provided below. Further information regarding the IGO pass can be found at <a href="https://tfgm.com/tickets-and-passes/igo-pass">https://tfgm.com/tickets-and-passes/igo-pass</a>

With IGO card	Without IGO card
Single - £1	Single fare - £1
No return fares	Return - £ 3
Weekly ticket - £9	Weekly - £12

### **Planner**

Next week your child will receive their planner. Please take the time to review the content which includes a home learning diary, key information relating to learning, attitude, expectations, well-being as well as various learning tools that students can use to help them at home and in school. We will be reiterating to students the importance of the planner next week. They must have it with them at all times in class and it should be looked after properly with no graffiti or damage.

I would ask that you sign the planner every week as a parent to acknowledge you have reviewed it with your child. Form tutors will check this during engagement periods every week. Those students that consistently maintain these standards will receive positive points that contribute to rewards.

#### **Uniform and equipment**

As I stated in July, correct uniform is an essential part of school. Please ensure that you ensure your child follows the uniform guidance fully. During the summer we have continued to remind families that struggling to purchase or source elements of uniform please get in touch with us via email. I know that a number of families have done this over the summer and we will continue to help throughout the year in whatever way we can. If you require support please email Miss Lord at <a href="mailto:s.lord@hhhs.net">s.lord@hhhs.net</a>.

In relation to jewellery, I want to reiterate that no jewellery is permitted other than a wrist watch. Any jewellery will be confiscated. Nose rings and earrings are not permitted. Please use the following page if any of this needs clarifying further <a href="https://hhhs.net/school-uniform/">https://hhhs.net/school-uniform/</a> This year, infringements will be recorded in the planner that your children will receive next week from their form tutors as stated above. Again, those students who successfully follow expectations will receive positive points that will link to our rewards structure.

All students must also have an appropriate pencil case, equipment and bag. I am sure that you would agree that this is an essential part of developing independence. Being organised and ready to learn not only helps the individual but also the efficiency of learning in the classroom. Please ensure that your child has the correct equipment from the first day of term. The minimum equipment required are pens, pencils and a ruler. We would also recommend students have highlighters, a small glue stick and rubber.

### **Key upcoming dates**

## Staff Inset day – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> of September – No students in school

**Staff Inset- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September.** Students will finish at 2 pm. Buses will be adjusted to ensure a service is provided. **Open Evening – Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> of September.** Students will finish at 2pm. We would like as many students as possible to contribute to the event. We will send out further information in the early weeks of term.

Once we have settled into the new term next week I will write to you again regarding a number of areas we have modified over the summer in terms of procedures, staffing and the learning environment which we hope will improve further aspects of school including communication, curriculum, pastoral care and rewards. As we know there are many economic and political uncertainties at the moment that are a concern to us all. However, I want to stress the potential positives of us being able to return to school without the various interruption we have all experienced over the last two academic years. We will continue to drive forward to give your child rich experiences both inside and outside the classroom. I look forward to meeting and working with you throughout the coming year.

Yours sincerely

Mr Klinck











