

Welcome to the
Year 6 Induction Evening
Monday 9th July 2018

Mr P Bourton

Headteacher

Mrs J Reeve

Year 7 Learning Manager

Miss L Caitlyn

Yr 7 Pupil Premium Champion

Yr7 Tutors

Mrs J. Reeve - Learning Manager for Year 7

Key Stage Student Support Manager - Mrs Lynn

Year 7 Tutors:

A Half

7ADO (Ms Donohue)

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For the first time students who are identified in school as **'Previously Looked After'** will be able to *access additional support* via Pupil Premium – however, we have to rely on parents/carers/guardians to share this information.

Previously Looked After Children are defined as:

- Children no longer looked after by an LA in England and Wales because they are the subject of an adoption, special guardianship or child arrangements order.
- Children who were adopted outside England and Wales from 'state care' (care that is provided by a public authority, religious organisation, or other organisation whose main purpose is to benefit society).

If you wish to share this information regarding your child please speak to their form tutor who will forward it on to Ms Cork, Assistant Headteacher.

Role of the Tutor

- Your child's tutor will be the **first point of contact** in the school for both you and them.
- If your child has concerns relating to lessons, friendships, settling in, etc., it is the tutor that you will need to contact.
- The tutor will aim to resolve the matter as quickly as possible for your child.
- If you phone the school requesting to speak to your child's tutor, it is important to understand that they will have a full teaching timetable so they may not be able to get back to you straight away.
- Generally, they will aim to have returned your call within 48 hours.
- If it is an urgent issue, then you should ask to speak to Mrs Lynn (Student Support Manager), who is office based.

Paperwork

Please return paperwork ASAP so that it can be processed. We need any medical information before the students come to Idsall tomorrow.

Please don't leave school today without completing it and handing it to your tutor, if you haven't already done so.

- Data collection sheet
- ICT network agreement form
- Information for tutor
- Home-school agreement
- Free School Meal form





Contacting the school

Reporting an absence.

Please call (01952) 468400 as soon as you know that a student will not be able to come to school.

The line is open from 8am, but you can leave a message before that time to let us know.

If a student has a medical appointment can we request that you also phone in to inform us of this too, as it can then be put onto the registration system.



Bus Information

Shropshire families
Application Line 0345 678 9006

TF2 postcode area

please return your application to school ASAP for the AT Brown bus. A letter confirming places on the bus and which route will be sent shortly.

For children who had planned to use the Arriva bus we have been notified that this Public Service Bus will cease from July this year. We will look to modify existing AT Brown routes to try and accommodate where possible. Please collect a letter from Mrs Hulme at the tie stand.

LATE BUS - runs Monday to Thursday, leaves school at 4.15pm travels to Cosford, Albrighton, Priorslee, Gatcombe Way, Randlay, Hollinswood, Stirchley at £1.50.

Cashless Catering

- Finger print system - If students wish to buy food from the canteen their fingerprint will be scanned onto the system during their Induction day tomorrow.
- You can top up your child's account with cash or cheque, or using Parent Pay online.
- Tea/coffee & light refreshments - available in the canteen.



Uniform

Please see document issued previously for all uniform details

If you ordered uniform on the uniform days here at Idsall you can collect it from our Sixth Form Centre this evening.

Ties

These can be purchased from the crossroads tonight at a cost of £3
Remember to get the right tie for your house.

Stationery Orders

These can also be collected from the library tonight.



Uniform

Please see document issued previously for all uniform details

Be aware that:

- Girls' skirts should be knee length and not high-waisted
- School trousers should be loose fitting with a straight leg, and NOT stretchy material or denim
- Shoes should be plain black, and must not be of a canvas material or trainers
- Black or brown hair band - no other accessories
- No unconventional hair styles or unnatural hair colours, short hair shouldn't be less than grade 2.
- Jewellery - a watch and maximum of one plain stud in each ear
- Make-up when in Key Stage 4 only (Year 10)
- No nail varnish or false nails

Mobile Phones and Smart Watches

- Mobile phones and Smart Watches are not allowed in school
- If seen they will be confiscated and will need to be collect by parents/guardians



Rewards System – Merit Points

Pupils can be given merit points by any member of staff, for showing expected and positive behaviour. These are all worth 5 merit points. Accumulation of a set amount of merit points within one academic year will result in a certificate being awarded, and the relevant colour pin badge being issued to the pupil, as below.

125 points = Bronze

250 points = Silver

375 points = Gold

500 points = Platinum

At the end of each term, the total merit points that a pupil has gained will be calculated. The fifty pupils with the highest merit points in their year group will receive the following rewards:

1. Letter sent home to parents / carers
2. A voucher for a cake / snack from the canteen
3. Be able to choose a reward (the below have been trialled this year)
 - Non uniform day
 - A pass to skip the lunch queue for a week
 - Afternoon tea with headteacher
 - movies and snacks session
4. Be entered into a random draw for one of five £10 Amazon vouchers per year group

Behaviour System

Demerits can be issued for incidents of poor behaviour – including answering back, lack of work, lack of homework, poor uniform etc.

These are all worth 5 demerit points. An accumulation of 30 or more over a 4 week period triggers an after school detention.

More significant behaviours can result in detentions, isolations and possible exclusion from school.

New Behaviour System

- 1 Behaviour Point = Pastoral Detention / Demerit Detention
- 2 Behaviour Points = per day of Internal Exclusion
- 3 Behaviour Points = per day of External Exclusion

New Behaviour System

In addition to what is currently in place, we will be introducing set stages of intervention, where certain actions will take place by relevant school staff, alongside the pupil and their parent or carer.

Holiday Project for Maths

The Maths department have a booklet of interesting Maths activities that can be done over the holiday.

Your child should have the booklet with them on the first day and take them to their Maths lesson to be awarded the all important merit points.



Holiday Project for English

The English department have a booklet of interesting English activities that can be done over the holiday:

- **Holiday Reading Log Challenge**
 - **Reading Challenge**
 - **Holiday Diary Challenge**
 - **Treasure Hunt Challenge**

Prizes for the best one as well as merit points and a presentation in assembly.

Your child should have them with them on the first day and take them to their English lesson.

Accelerated Reader

As part of their English lessons, all students at Key Stage 3 take part in the Accelerated Reader Programme. It involves students reading books and quizzing on them.

We run termly competitions and give out rewards to the highest achieving students, English classes and Tutor groups.

Reading at Idsall

We expect all students to read for at least 15 minutes every night at home and have a reading book with them as part of their daily equipment.

We are lucky enough to have an amazing library and book boxes within the English department, which we lend from. Please encourage your child to borrow from us; they will get a fantastic range of books to choose from!

Tomorrow

Students will arrive and meet in this hall tomorrow morning. Look for the arrows if you forget your way.



You can access the hall from the Gym Patio or from reception on the Induction Day, but students do not use the reception entrance in September to enter school.

They need to wear school uniform and bring a PE kit for tomorrow afternoon.

Please collect students in the afternoon from the Main Hall at 3pm. Those going home on the buses will be escorted to their buses.

First School Day at Idsall

Tuesday 4th September - pupils report to
sports hall

On this day only year 7 and 12 will be in school,
alongside prefects attending training.

In September

- Welcome letter
- Standards and expectations
- 6 week monitoring period - including CAT tests
- Tutor groups and Year halves are subject to change depending upon attitude and behaviour.

If you do not have any additional questions or concerns please feel free to go to the canteen for refreshments, or visit the tutors.

If you have further questions about any other concerns you may have, please come and have a chat after this presentation.

Thank you for your support.



Alpha Half - After 7pm talk

7&SB (Mr Bell) - H2

7&AJ (Mrs Jones) - H3

7&LK (Mrs Kendall) - H4

7&HL (Mrs Lowndes) - H5

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