



Year 6 Transition Bulletin

(Week 12 – week beginning 12th July 2021)

Good morning year 6 and welcome to my final bulletin.

Thank you so much for engaging with, and reading all the previous bulletins. I hope in the absence of planned face: face meetings, these have gone some way to providing you with information to help you all prepare for September.

This bulletin will aim to provide all the information you will need prior to September. Sorry this has come out slightly later in the week, but I wanted to ensure all key information was contained.

Term Dates for 2021-2022

Please see below a copy of the planned term dates for the next academic year. As you will see, you will now be starting at the Academy **TUESDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER AT 8.30AM.**

	First Day	Last Day
Autumn Half Term 1	6 th September 2021 ¹	22 nd October 2021
Half Term	25 th October 2021	29 th October 2021
Autumn Half Term 2	1 st November 2021	17 th December 2021
Christmas Holidays	20 th December 2021	3 rd January 2022 ²
Spring Half Term 1	4 th January 2022 ³	18 th February 2022
Half Term	21 st February 2022	25 th February 2022
Spring Half Term 2	28 th February 2022	1 st April 2022
Easter Holidays	4 th April 2022	18 th April 2022
Summer Half Term 1 ⁶	19 th April 2022	27 th May 2022
Half Term	30 th May 2022	3 rd June 2022
Summer Half Term 2	6 th June 2022	22 nd July 2022 ⁴

A training day is set for Monday 6th September 2021.

Years 7 & 11 first full day at school will be Tuesday 7th September at 8:30am

Years 8, 9 & 10 will return to school full-time on Wednesday 8th September at 8:30am

1. Monday 3rd January 2022 is a Bank Holiday.
2. A training day is set for Tuesday 4th January 2022.
3. Two training days are set for Monday 25th and Tuesday 26th July 2022.

Your first day (Tuesday 7th September)

On this day, only Y7 and 11 will be in the Academy. During this day you will spend time in your form groups periods 1, 2 and 3. This will enable us to settle you all in, provide key information and help you to get familiar with the Academy. Periods 4 and 5, you will attend lessons on your timetable. Your timetable will be provided and copied into your timetable during lessons 1-3.

Where to go when you arrive on your first day

Please arrive on site by **8.20 am**.

There will be plenty of staff to meet and greet students.

Once you enter through Student Entrance, all Y7 students will meet for a briefing from myself in the Performing Arts Hall (you will be shown where this is). If you are arriving by:

Car - please ensure you are dropped off in the East Block Car Park and walk safely around to the front of the Academy and enter via the Student Entrance.

Bus – All buses will drop directly opposite the Student Entrance.

Walking – Please follow the footpaths and make your way to the front of the Academy and enter via the Student Entrance.

Bike - whilst we do have facilities to store bikes, we advise that this may not be an appropriate form of travel in the first instance. If this is later deemed appropriate, a student must ensure they are cycling proficient, wearing a helmet, the bike is in full working order, and they have a bike lock.

Equipment

Students will not require any equipment on the first day of school (Tuesday 7th September). We will provide a planner, pencil case and exercise books. Please ensure you focus on attending in full Academy uniform.

Uniform

Please ensure you order your uniform as soon as possible to ensure it is received prior to the start of the new term. This must be worn on your first day (7th September).

Lunches (week 1)

To allow time to establish routines, set-up finger prints etc. Every Y7 student will be provided with a free school dinner for the first week (Tuesday-Friday).

Live Q & A session

Wednesday 21st July (5.00-6.30pm), I will be present 'live' to conduct a Q&A session. It is hoped through the previous questionnaire and correspondence since March, that you feel as informed as you can be under the circumstances. To ensure you have one further opportunity to ask any final questions before the summer break, please join me by clicking the following link and posting your questions, and I will do my best to answer them. You do not need the app, you can join on your web browser.

[Year 6 Transition - Live Q&A session](#)

Form Groups

These will be sent out as a single correspondence by myself, prior to the end of the school year (27th July). I have organised groups but am yet to finalise all the staff for the 8 groups. A reminder every child will spend 3 lessons and form time with this member of staff on the first day and will be taught as a class (except PE) for the first month or so of the school year. This is an ideal opportunity to form relationships and become familiar with other Y7 students.

Have a great summer and I cannot wait to see you all in September.

Mr. Faulkner.