

Year 6 Induction Evening



School Day

- ▶ Starts at 8:25
- ▶ Finishes at 3:05pm
- ▶ For those students not required by a member of staff the end of day is 2:45pm – this is the ‘privileged’ end of day

Academic Mentoring

- Three times a year with form tutor during 'privileged' end of day session
- In March, whole school, with form tutor and with parents if they are able to attend
- Focus is ACADEMIC mentoring – maximising progress

Communication

- Tutor is first port of call
- Use the student notebook to send notes to the tutor or email the tutor directly
- Parents Evening appointment times will be available to book online
- Parents evenings to talk to subject teachers will be in the Autumn term and in the Summer term
- Let us know if addresses or phone numbers change

Communication

- Online access to INSIGHT will be available early next term
- Information Evening in September to explain school systems
- You will be able to see: effort, attainment, behaviour, attendance
- Progress is updated termly or half termly depending on the subject
- Daily updates – on positive rewards
- It will flag up any negatives or detentions for you
- Personalised log-ins – training early in September

Attendance

- If child is absent please ring in on day by 9:30am and provide a follow up note on their return. Medical evidence is required where applicable (5 missed sessions)
- We expect students to achieve above 96% attendance
- 90% attendance means that 1/2 day a week is being missed, or half a year of secondary school!
- 90% attendance is the level at which the government determines the student as a 'persistent absentee' and expects schools to challenge parents hard to improve attendance.

Punctuality

- School starts at 8:25am – we encourage all students to be here from 8:15am
- The start of the day is very important as information is given out and assemblies take place. Students also participate in the accelerated reading programme during this time
- Students who are late will have to make up the time lost

Uniform

- Polo shirt with logo
- Black trousers/ skirt (skirt knee length, no Jeans, skinny trousers or leggings)
- No trainers (even black leather ones)
- School shoes should be black, polishable, (ie not canvas) and without a brand logo
- School jumper/ cardigan with logo
- A full copy of uniform can be found in the parents information pack you have received

Jewellery/make-up

- 1 simple necklace, a watch and a pair of earrings (the earrings must be in the lobe of the ear) or a single ear-ring (in the lobe of the ear)
- Ear-rings must be small and plain (gold or silver)
- No other piercings are allowed (even in another part of the ear) and no spacers
- No make-up in years 7-9 (including nail varnish)
- Do not bring expensive or precious items to school - it is upsetting for students if they get broken or lost and the school cannot take responsibility.

PE Kit

Compulsory;

- ALNS logo purple polo T-shirt
- Black shorts
- Black football socks OR white ankle socks
- Trainers – no plimsolls / converse shoes
- Football / Rugby boots
- Optional (for the colder months);
- Black ALNS PE jumper
- Plain black tracksuit bottoms – sweatshirt material not permitted

Equipment:

- Pens (blue, black and green are essential)
- Pencils
- Ruler, rubber & sharpener
- Scientific calculator
- School Notebook – provided but replacements have to be paid for.
- Reading book – everyday!
- Colouring pencils
- Maths Equipment (protractor & compasses)
- PE kit (in a separate drawstring PE bag is easiest)
- A4 size bag so books all fit in – backpacks are the best way to carry everything!

Mobile phones:

- Turned off and put away in bags during lessons and registration
- Student can use their phones for listening to music and playing games during break-times, with headphones on
- Texting, making calls, accessing social media accounts, taking pictures or videos is NOT ALLOWED
- Students are NOT ALLOWED to contact parents using their phones during the school day.
- Parents should not contact their child during the school day; if you need to get a message to your child this should be done by contacting reception.

Lockers

- All students have access to a locker which is individual to them for 5 years.
- £ 4 deposit brought in at the start of the new term and repaid when the key is returned on leaving in yr11.
- A fee is charged for replacement of lost keys!

Website

- Check regularly for updates
- All subjects have information on here that will help your child progress
- All Independent Learning is published on the “Show my Homework” website/app. You can link to this through our home page and will receive log ins and instructions in September.

Parent Pay

- Parent Pay is the method of payment for items such as school meals, trips etc.
- More information about Parent Pay on the school website



Independent Learning

- Subjects set Independent Learning each week (found on “Show my Homework”)
- We expect all students to do every piece of Independent Learning.
- There are clubs staffed by Teaching Assistants after school every day for help and support....and access to computers, if needed!
- Students receive a grade for completion of IL for every subject each half term - fully, partially or not completed – look on INSIGHT!

Summer Independent Learning

- Summer in a shoe box
- Letter to Mrs Holness introducing themselves and telling her a little about who they are and what they are looking forward to in September and beyond
- Due on first day back in September

Parent Readers

Volunteers wanted!

- The English Department are always looking for parents to help with Key Stage Three students reading
- If you might be able to help, please leave your email address tonight with the teacher delivering this presentation
- The time commitment is approximately one session a fortnight.

Parent Governors

Volunteers wanted!

- The school is looking for parent governors who would like to volunteer their skills and expertise
- Meetings are monthly on a Wednesday evenings. There is also some reading before each meeting so you can prepare for the questions you want to ask.
- If you are interested in this opportunity please leave your email address tonight with the teacher delivering this presentation

Extra Curricular clubs

Get involved!

- All subjects areas offer something beyond the classroom – to encourage life long learners
- Dance, PE (all sorts), Drama, Chess, Science, and the list goes on
- List will be available early in the new term

Aspiration ...

Dare to Dream,. Aim to Achieve!

- Aim high – students are set targets that are aspirational. This is to encourage them to achieve their full potential and not just settle for being 'ok'
- The students are given a grade of A, O or B to indicate whether they are on track towards their target in feedback from their teachers
(A= above target; O = on target; B = below target)

Also, teachers use this AOB system to report to parents in our half-termly progress reports

Thank You

- See you on Tuesday 5th September where the journey begins.....