

Dear parents, carers and students,

I hope the last few days of primary school have gone well for everyone and that despite the feelings of sadness, you are looking forward to joining us in September – we can't wait to welcome you!

I thought it might be helpful, to provide you all with some more information about next term and the year ahead.

On Site Lateral Flow Testing in September

In line with government guidance, we will be offering all students two, on site lateral flow tests as part of their return to school. (These tests only ask students to swab their noses).

In order to conduct these tests a consent form is required. The forms can be accessed [HERE](#).

Students will be invited to attend the on-site testing unit as part of their first day on site.

When do students return in September?

Year 7 students start on Tuesday 7th September.

Will students remain in Year Group Bubbles?

Under current guidance students will be able to follow their normal timetable, gaining access to specialist teaching rooms across the school site.

Students will, however, remain in year groups for their tutor groups. This is to enable the effective teaching of our Sex and Relationship Curriculum as well as Personal, Social, Health and Careers Education (PSHCE). This arrangement will also allow us to deliver our Catch-Up Programme.

Where do students go on their first day in September?

Year 7	To the main hall
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Students will need to be in the main hall by 8.40 a.m.

The Start and End of the School Day

On all other days, students arriving on the school bus will go to their designated year group area and to the bus room. From 8.20 a.m. students will go to their form rooms. All students must be in their form room by 8.40 a.m. Any student arriving after this time will be marked as late.

Students will be dismissed from site, two years at a time. Year 7 will be dismissed at 2.45 p.m.

Details about our extra-curricular programme for all year groups will be shared with parents, carers and students early in September.

Lockers

I am delighted to tell you that students will be once again able to access lockers! If your child wishes to rent a locker for September please see the information attached.

What will students need to bring on their first day?

Students will need the following items:

- 2 blue/black pens
- 1 pencil
- A ruler
- An eraser
- A yellow highlighter pen
- A red pen
- A packet of coloured pencils
- A glue stick
- A scientific calculator
- A whiteboard pen

What should students wear on their first day?

As per our Uniform Policy students return to school in September in full school uniform. In summary this means:

- School shoes, not pumps or trainers
- Plain white collared shirt, tucked in at the waistband
- A House tie
- Plain black or white socks
- Black traditional style school trousers e.g. not tight fitting/skinny fitting or made from stretchy material. Trousers must not be black denim or have rivet style pockets. Or a black traditional style school skirt
- Black blazer with the school badge on the breast pocket and sleeves rolled down
- No facial piercings, rings or excessive make-up

Training Days 2021 – 22

In light of the additional bank holiday in 2022 and in line with North Yorkshire County Council, we have made a slight amendment to our previously published calendar of training days. Our training days for 2021-22 are:

Friday 26th November 2021

Tuesday 4th January 2022

Friday 18th February 2022

Friday 1st July 2022

Monday 25th July 2022

For full details of next year's term dates see [here](#).

And finally...

Yet again it's been a school year unlike any other. Yet, despite it all, the feedback from your primary schools has been incredible! Our new Year 7s have been described as "talented, resilient, hard-working, creative, imaginative" which makes us so proud that you will be joining Team Sherburn.

I look forward to welcoming students in September, and if there are any significant changes to our plans I will of course communicate these to you during the holidays. In the meantime, I hope that whatever you are doing, that you all manage to have a very happy and healthy summer holiday.

Yours sincerely,

Miriam Oakley
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