

26th August 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope this letter finds you well and that you are having an enjoyable summer.

I am delighted to be able to write to you as Headteacher at Benton Park School to confirm arrangements for the start of term and to share some key reminders.

Firstly, I would like to thank Miss Martin on behalf of students, parents and school community for everything she has done as Headteacher as we look forward to her work and support in the upcoming years in her role as Executive Headteacher. We are very fortunate to be able to continue to draw upon her considerable knowledge and experience as we spend our first full academic year in our new building.

I am looking forward to meeting all of our students and also you, their parents and carers, as we work together to create a climate for great learning, success and opportunity. I want to ensure that we all continue to build on the successes already achieved so that our students access the best education possible across their seven years at Benton Park.

Please see a reminder of the return day for each Year group following the summer break below:

- Tuesday 6th September Years 7 and 12
- Wednesday 7th September Full school return

Students should arrive on the school site by 8.25am. On arrival at school, students should go straight to their Form room, with the exception of Year 7, who will congregate in their Form group on the tennis courts, before being led to the Main Hall for an initial assembly. There will be staff available to direct students to where they need to go should they be unsure. Students in all other Year groups will be sent a message on Teams to inform them of their Form room, as many of these may have changed from last year.

We want all of our students to enjoy a strong and positive start to the new academic year and to facilitate this we would like to remind you of our uniform expectations, details of which can be found on our website: Benton Park School Uniform

We have high expectations in all aspects of our work, including uniform, and your support in ensuring that your child meets our uniform standards will mean that they start the new school year strongly in the classroom accessing their learning. Our uniform standards also include ensuring appropriate footwear, hair styles, make-up, accessories and piercings.

A few other important reminders:

- Details of our standard school equipment list can be found on page 13 of your child's student planner.
- To support in planning ahead, details of next year's academic calendar can be found here

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- As part of our safeguarding procedures, it is vital that we have the correct emergency contact, medical and allergy information on our records for your child. Please could we ask you to login to our parent app, Edulink, to check and update any details which we are currently holding. Please ensure that we have at least two emergency contacts for your child in case we are unable to get hold of the primary contact. Should you require any support logging in to Edulink please contact us on the details below.
- We are pleased to advise that our 3G pitch will be ready for use this half term which will make a significant difference to our PE curriculum and outdoor space. To support with the use of this, we would like to advise of the appropriate footwear which will be required. Moulded plastic stud boots or specific Astro Turf trainers can be worn. Ordinary trainers, metal studs or blades are not permitted as they will cause damage to the surface.

I really hope that your child enjoys the last week of the school holidays and thank you for your continued support of the school. I am very much looking forward to working with you over the coming year and as always should you have any queries regarding any of the information outlined above, please do not hesitate to contact us on secretary@bentonpark.net

Yours sincerely,

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