



Ashton Community Science College

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To parents and carers of students who will be joining the school in September 2021

Dear Parents, Carers and new Year 7 students,

On behalf of the staff, students and the governors, we would like to offer you and your child a warm welcome to our school. We are aware of the responsibility we have for your child's welfare, happiness and progress, a responsibility we will share with you for the next five years. We hope this partnership between us will soon develop and that you will quickly become proud of your association with Ashton Community Science College.

Our School

We believe it is essential that if your child is to gain the most from their time with us, we must develop a partnership in which we can all work together to ensure that they are happy and work to their full potential. For our part, we will keep you fully informed about the school and share with you our thoughts in whatever way we can.

The School is moving to the School Synergy platform as our main means of communication and you will receive log in information in due course. All information is sent out via this method and is also available on the website. There is a wealth of information on the website and there is also a specific area under the Parents tab called Transition. Everything you need to know will be placed in this area so you can access it anytime.

Teachers from Ashton regularly visit local primary schools and some of them may already be known to your child. Over the coming weeks, Mrs Barrow, who has responsibility for all Year 7 students, will be visiting the primary schools to discuss our new students with their present teachers and also talk to the girls and boys about their new school.

Admission Forms

We obviously want to discover all we can about our new students in advance so that we can make our preparations for the new term in September. Whilst the information we receive from primary schools is very important, we also need information from you as parents. This year we have moved away from the traditional paper admission form and would ask that this now be completed electronically via clicking on the following link <https://forms.office.com/r/vszFj1U2ax> or by scanning the QR Code overleaf with your mobile device.





Before you complete the form, please read the Admissions Booklet which is attached as there are areas where you will need to confirm that you have read and permission requests for photographs etc.

There is a section at the end of the admission form which asks you to provide any other information you would like to share. This could be anything from medical information, personality traits, achievements or any special interests or hobbies they may have.

It would be appreciated if you could complete the Admission forms at your earliest convenience, but by no later than Friday 28th May.

New Intake Parents' Evening

This would normally be held in school, however, due to the current Covid-19 restrictions, it is unlikely we will be permitted to do this. We are therefore planning to host this virtually on **Thursday 24th June**. Further details regarding this event will be sent to you, via email, once the arrangements have been confirmed.

Induction Day

All new Year 7 students will visit the school on **Monday 5th July**. The school day starts at 8.40 am and ends at 3.00 pm. Further details about the arrangements for this will be sent to you via email nearer the time.

Uniform

Students are divided into forms and they are also assigned to a house. Each form and house contains a full range of abilities with no form or house being any 'better' or 'worse' than any other. When they go to their different subjects, students are grouped according to ability.

The uniform list is contained in the Admissions Booklet which is attached to this email. In order to purchase a school jumper, you will need to know which house your child has been placed in. This information will be given to you in the next letter, which you will receive in June – please do not purchase a jumper until you know which house your child will be in.

We hope that your son/daughter is looking forward to becoming a member of our school. With your help, we have every confidence that they will be happy and successful during their time with

us, so that when they leave they will look back on their education at Ashton Community Science College with pride, pleasure and affection.

If you have any immediate questions or concerns, then please do not hesitate to contact us at school.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "S. Asquith". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Miss S Asquith
Headteacher