



Together in the Pursuit of Excellence

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Dear Families,

I would like to extend a very warm CHS welcome to all of you. We are excited to be working with new families and welcoming back returning students. We were thrilled to see our 2025 exam cohorts achieving highly; we are so very proud of each and every one of them and excited that so many of Year 11 have chosen to stay on to our 6th Form College. As we prepare to return to school, I wanted to highlight some key information that I hope will be useful to you all as we begin the academic year.

Return To School:

To support the transition / return to school / to the 6th Form College we have phased the start of term with **Yr7,11 & 12 attending at 8.35am on Wednesday 3rd Sept. All other year groups will return at 8.35am on Thursday 4th September.** We are ready to give you all the best possible start and the warmest welcome!

If you have moved into the area over the summer holidays and are joining us in years 8-12, we can't wait to help you settle in and look forward to the contribution you will make to our community.

Uniform:

Summer holiday shopping trips are often challenging for parents/carers; especially when your child is very convincing in their pleas for false nails, shaved heads/eyebrows, pink hair, black trainers/pumps and nose studs. Please do refer to our uniform policy for guidance, please click on the link to our policy which will help with those shopping conversations <https://www.congletonhigh.com/parents/school-uniform>

We are delighted that DP Sports continue to be our uniform provider. They provide an excellent service so please do get in touch with them if you still need to purchase any items of uniform or need guidance on sizes <https://www.dpsportswear.co.uk/shop/Congleton-High-School-c150086580>

School Day:

Please ensure your child is on site by **8.35am** so they are ready to begin their form period learning at **8.40am**. The school day ends at **15.10pm**.

Moments matter, Attendance counts

At Congleton High School we believe that if students are to gain the greatest benefit from their time at school, it is essential that they attend regularly.

The DfE is very clear in their requirements of schools regarding attendance, and our school policy has been updated and will be available on our website.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/66bf300da44f1c4c23e5bd1b/Working_together_to_improve_school_attendance_-_August_2024.pdf

For all attendance queries, please contact Natalie Johnson (Attendance Officer) attendance@congletonhigh.com

Access to Site:

My thanks to all families who support us with managing traffic flow in and around the school. A gentle reminder that traffic will not be allowed to move on the school site when students are using the crossings on the school car park at the start and end of day. We also ask that families do not park opposite the entrances/exits to the school car park/bus car park or obstruct box lane as this prevents buses from leaving safely. Please be mindful of residents when using street parking.

Can I please ask that if your child walks to school they leave in good time and use the relevant traffic light-controlled crossings so that they arrive safely and on time to school. Students cycling to school should ensure they wear a helmet.

Allergies:

At CHS we would like to remind students and staff not to bring nuts/nut products to school. We are working hard to support members of our community who have allergies. Your support with this is welcomed. Our staff will be receiving allergy training in September.

Arbor Updates

Last term we moved across from SIMS to Arbor. As part of this move we will no longer be using Satchel for homework. This means that Arbor will contain all homework and timetables going forward. More information will be shared with you in due course. We feel this will simplify things by having everything in one place!

We are excited to welcome you back and really look forward to another highly successful year at CHS.

Kind regards



Heidi Thurland
Headteacher

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