



## **GARSTANG COMMUNITY ACADEMY**

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Dear Parent/Carer

Firstly, thank you for your support this academic year. Despite the 'post-Covid' challenges we have faced, the vast majority of students have had an extremely successful year, learning and maturing well, ready for moving up the school in September. The staff are extremely proud of the achievements our students have made, some of which are detailed in the individual Progress Reports you have received on Synergy and in the attached 'Newsletter'.

In order to ensure the September return to school is as smooth and successful as possible, allowing us to focus on our primary purpose of providing our students with the best education possible, please carefully read the information below:

- School reopens to all students on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September
- Students are expected to be on site by 8.35am at the latest everyday
- Punctuality: learning starts immediately in every lesson with a 'Go Task'; lateness to lessons results in disruption and lost learning time. Therefore, punctuality will be closely monitored throughout the day and consequences issued accordingly.
- Attendance: parents must ensure their child attends every day the school is open except when a statutory reason applies, only request leave of absence in exceptional circumstances and do so in advance and book any medical appointments around the school day where possible (DfE guidance May 2022)
- Students must be in the correct uniform at all times and wear the correct GCA sports kit during their PE lessons. There is a full list of uniform requirements on the school website, including specifics relating to permitted coat colours, personal appearance and incorrect uniform procedures. Please ensure you are familiar with this information: <https://www.garstangcommunityacademy.com/parents/uniform>  
If parents are struggling to meet the costs of purchasing uniform, we have a limited second-hand supply in school; please contact reception to discuss.
- Students must bring the following equipment to school: a bag, blue/black pens, green/purple pen, ruler, eraser, pencil sharpener, pencil case.
- Students are expected to meet our high expectations of behaviour at all times and to take personal responsibility for their behaviour and attitude to others. All students and staff have the right to feel safe and to flourish in school. Behaviour that puts anyone at risk or prevents good learning without undue interruption will not be tolerated.



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- There are significant changes to the school day structure from September. Morning registration with form tutors will be from 8.40am-8.50am. We will continue to have a split lunch time with years 7,8 and 10 on lunch 1 (L1) from 13.05-13.40 followed by a 25-minute Reading Canon class. Years 9 and 11 will attend Reading Canon classes or Study Groups from 13.05 to 13.30 and have their lunch break (L2) from 13.30- until 14.05.

	08.35	08.40	08.50	09.50	10.50	11.15	12.10	13.05	13.40	14.05	15.05
Warning Bell		Form	P1	P2	Break	P3	P4	L1	R2	P5	
								R1	L2		
								13.30			

Finally, I would like to inform you that there will be a change in our Executive Headship from September. Sean Bullen will be replacing Stephen Cox in this role; we would like to thank Stephen for all of his for all of his excellent support over the last few years.

Once again, thank you for your continuing support. I wish you and your family a restful and happy summer break.

Best wishes

K. Rawcliffe  
Senior Deputy Headteacher