

YOUR STEP UP

to Mount Carmel R.C. High School

As Year 7 Achieve I work with form tutors and staff in school to make Mount Carmel as quick as possible. We expect you to work hard and attend school every day. One of all we want you to do is make more friends and take part in new activities.

You will see your form tutor every day and they will get to know you really well, just like your class teacher does at primary school.

I look forward to meeting you and your family.

MRS LOWE



We are pleased to offer **Half price** FARES FOR ALL PUPILS ON SCHOOL BUS ROUTES
Swaldtwistle
Layton-le-Moors



TICKETS WILL BE PROVIDED DURING INFORMATION EVENING ON 4th JULY

ON TIME AND ATTENDANCE EVERY DAY

Certificates, prizes and trophies are awarded.

Attendance each day and being on time (punctuality) is very important. You need to set an alarm clock and leave home in plenty of time to ensure you arrive at school on time.

Primary school day starts at 8.50am and finishes at 3.00pm.



Clubs and activities

- Football
- Netball
- Drama
- Music
- Art
- Science
- Chaplaincy G.I.F.T. team
- YSPV (Faith and Community)
- Charity fundraising
- Badminton
- Athletics
- Computing
- Mentoring
- Basketball
- Cricket
- Homework
- Textiles
- Dance
- and lots more



The drama club is always really popular and they perform lots of fantastic shows. Here are some of the cast of 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'.

Get involved

By far the best way you can make extra friends, learn new skills and enjoy your new school is by getting involved in school life.

There are lots of clubs and activities taking place each week including sport, drama, music, art, charity fundraising, chaplaincy work and lots, and lots more.

Every form has chaplaincy, charity, sports and student council representatives who help teachers in assemblies and events as well as making important decisions that affect everyone in school.

As you get older you can also become peer mentors, computing ambassadors, prefects or even Head Boy or Head Girl.



Mount Carmel
CHARITY
FORM REP

Mount Carmel
SPORT
FORM REP

Mount Carmel
CHAPLAINCY
FORM REP

Mount Carmel
YEAR COUNCIL
FORM REP

Each year the colour of the stripe in the tie is different. Your year group will have a purple stripe which you will keep until you leave in year 11.



You will be given a free planner every year. It is very important that you bring this to every lesson, every day.



Our dining room is called the 'Twelve Star Diner' and is open every school day for breakfast, break and lunch. You use your fingerprint to put money into your account so when you get served you don't hand over any actual cash. There is a selection of meal deals, snacks, fruit, desserts, drinks, pasta dishes, baked potatoes, soup, sandwiches, wraps, salads, baked potatoes, toast, garlic bread, crumpets, fruit loaf, waffles and lots more choice.

BREAKFAST from 8.15am
BREAK: 11.10 - 11.30am
LUNCH: 12.30 - 1.00pm



RESIDENTIAL

Year 7 pupils get the chance to attend a residential trip. Lockerbie Manor in Scotland has been the destination for a few years where pupils experienced a wide range of activities such as climbing, abseiling and zip wire.

Current Year 7 pupils will be going to EuroDisney in Paris during the Summer term.

We encourage Year 7 pupils to attend this trip as it really helps them to make new friends and get to know their form tutors away from school.

GET ORGANISED

It's a good idea to pack your bag each night before school so you are not rushing around in the morning.

If you use one of the lockers in school you will have somewhere to put your coat, P.E. kit or any other items you don't want to carry around during the day.



What to pack in your bag?

- Student Planner
- Pen
- Pencil
- Ruler
- Eraser
- Coloured pencils/pens
- Calculator
- Pencil case
- Books needed for each day
- Bottle of water
- Lunch/snack
- P.E. kit
- Any other equipment





Mr Bowers, Headteacher

99 We are really pleased to hear that you will be one of our new Year 7 pupils and look forward to seeing you in September. In the months before then we provide lots of opportunities for you and your parents/carers to visit Mount Carmel and be given all the information you need to know about your new school. Dates for these important events and visits are shown to the right so please make a note of them on the family calendar to ensure you don't miss them. The first of these dates is a 'Welcome Evening' where we invite you and your parents to Mount Carmel for an informal opportunity to meet other Year 6 pupils who will be starting at Mount Carmel in September. Key members of staff will be there to welcome you and provide you with some initial information. You will be busy at your primary school over the next couple of months but our Year 7 Achievement Co-ordinator Mrs Lowe will be visiting you at your primary school in the Summer term. We know you will have lots of questions and hope this booklet will answer some of them but don't worry if you have more questions as you will be able to ask during the visits by Mrs Lowe or when you visit Mount Carmel for a full 'Step Up' day in July. Quite simply if you arrive every day on time, ready to learn, work hard, behave yourself, respect others and the environment you will make good progress and be happy at Mount Carmel. Your parents will be invited to come to an information evening with you where there will be lots of market place stalls providing them with information about uniform, bus routes, lockers, attendance, clubs and extra curricular activities plus lots, lots more. During the 'Step Up' day you will get to know lots of the other new Year 7 pupils as well as staff and start to be able to find your way around school. You will also be told which form group you will be in. Please ask your parents to follow and share with you the news of activities and events that take place at our school on our website and social media sites so you begin to feel part of our 'family of faith and learning'.

Headteacher's message



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- KEY DATES & EVENTS**
- WELCOME EVENING - TUESDAY 26th MARCH
- STEP UP DAY - THURSDAY 4th JULY
- INFORMATION EVENING FOR PARENTS AND PUPILS - 7pm THURSDAY 4th JULY
- FIRST DAY AT MOUNT CARMEL HIGH SCHOOL - 8.50am TUESDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER - Don't be late!

QUESTIONS -- ANSWERS -- QUESTIONS

Q. What happens on the first day?
A. You will meet the Year 7 Achievement Coordinator, your form tutor and all the other new Year 7 pupils. You will be given your timetable and shown how to get around school.

Q. Can I bring my mobile phone?
A. We understand the safety aspects of having a mobile phone but we do ask that you have it switched off during the school day and kept out of sight. You also need to make sure it is kept safe and does not get damaged. If you do use it during the day it will be confiscated and your parents will have to collect it.

Q. What is a planner?
A. Each year you will be given a planner, it is like a diary but has lots more information specific to Mount Carmel. Your timetable will also be put in here. You are expected to bring your planner to school every day and put it on your desk in every lesson. In the planner you will write down your achievements and it will be signed by your teachers and we ask your parents/carers to read these comments and sign as well.

Q. What if I don't understand my work?
A. First of all ask your teacher, they will be happy to help. You can also go to our homework club, staff there will be able to help you.




We are sure you will have lots more questions which we will answer when we visit you at your primary school during this Summer term.

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Welcome to Mount Carmel

R.C. HIGH SCHOOL




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