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Parent and Carers' Transition Information

Welcome to Year 7 at the Kingsway School. I am delighted that you have chosen our school for the next stage of your child's education and I look forward to welcoming you as an integral part of our community. Our Year 7 team includes myself, Miss Francis and ten experienced form tutors who will work with your child daily to ensure that they have a successful day.

On the following pages are some key questions which have been asked. I thought it might be useful to share them with you as you prepare your child to join our school. We realise that preparing for the first day of school may be daunting, so please rest assured that we are here to support this transition however we can. Should you have any questions, please contact me at: k.clarke@kingsway.stockport.sch.uk.

Wishing you all a restful and relaxing summer break.

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Karen Clarke Head of Year 7







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<u>Curriculum/Pastoral</u>

Will my child be taught in their form groups?

Your child will be taught in their form group for the majority of their lessons. They will only be taught on Broadway Campus in a range of teaching rooms. Students may have PE lessons on Foxland but will be accompanied to the site to access the facilities. Subject teachers are experienced in teaching mixed ability form settings. They will use assessment opportunities to inform their teaching and tailor their lessons according to your child's needs.

Will my child receive homework?

Once settled, your child will receive homework to support their learning in the classroom. This will be set in lesson time and recorded in their planner (which they will be issued on day 1) and on Classcharts (see below). I will communicate more details about the structure of their homework in September.

What support will my child receive?

Your child has been assigned a form tutor. They are experienced members of staff who will meet your child daily as part of their form group. We have 10 forms who will all reside on our Broadway Campus. Your form tutor will be available to meet in person, via email or telephone and should be your first point of contact. They will work with the Year team to support your child daily

How will my child's additional needs be supported?

Mrs Watson (Transition Coordinator) has been working with your child's primary school to ensure we have a full understanding of your child's needs. The SEN team in school will plan your child's provision to ensure they can thrive here in school. They will be in touch with next steps once the term has started.



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High Expectations

Where can I find out about uniform?

Our standards of uniform are high and expected of all students at all times. Information about uniform can be found on our website <u>here</u>.

Please also visit the tabs on our uniform page (circled in red, below) for further information about uniform expectations.



Do I need to purchase a school tie?

You do not need to purchase a school tie. Your child will be issued a new school tie when they arrive at campus on Wednesday 6th September. This is because our school tie has changed and each year group will be assigned an individual colour.

You might want to help your child this summer by practising putting on a tie but don't worry we can support with that on the first day.

Is jewellery allowed to be worn?

Students are not allowed to wear any jewellery, including earrings. If your child intends on getting their ears pierced this summer, please allow sufficient time for them to be able to take their earrings out before the first day of school.

Can my child wear enhanced beauty products?

We do not allow any students to wear false eyelashes or nails. If your child chooses to wear these products during the summer holidays, please ensure they are removed by Wednesday 6th September.



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What equipment does my child need daily?

Your child will need to use a two strap rucksack to carry their daily equipment. This will include their planner, a clear pencil case containing a pen,pencil and ruler and their PE kit, snacks, water bottle.

Routines

What does the first school day look like for my child?

Day one of Year 7 is Wednesday 6th September at 8.30am. Your child should come to the Student Services entrance of our Broadway Campus where they will be greeted by the Year 7 team and members of Senior Leadership. They will be guided to their form rooms to meet their form and tutor. An assembly will be held that morning and all students will be introduced to our key expectations and routines. Their day will consist of getting to know our campus, each other their tutor.

How will my child eat?

Students wishing to purchase from the school canteen will need a cashless catering account linked to their fingerprint. This will be taken on day one to ensure they can access the canteen immediately. Consent is obtained through our Data Capture Form which your child should have received at their transition day.

You can find more information on the cost of meals, menus and cashless catering <u>here.</u> Information about free school meals can be found <u>here.</u>

Students can also bring a packed lunch/snacks which they can eat in our school canteen.

How will my child get to school?

Please plan your child's school route in advance of the first day as we expect all students to be on time all of the time. Further information about school bus routes can be found <u>here</u>.



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