



HUNTINGTON SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope that you are all well and have enjoyed a restful summer holiday. As we look forward to the start of the new academic year, we thought a reminder letter with some key messages would be helpful. The first day of term for Years 12-13 is THURSDAY 5th SEPTEMBER.

#### START OF THE DAY

At 8.15am we will begin to welcome students back. Years 12-13 will enter through the Student Reception doors. This will be their usual entrance every morning. Students should arrive in school by 8.30am. Students will be late if they arrive after 8.35am. We will begin the day with a Whole School fire drill on the tennis courts and then move to form tutor bases.

**DRESS CODE & EQUIPMENT** It is important that all students are dressed appropriately for the school environment and maintain this appearance on the first day and every day. Our dress code is gender neutral and promotes religious and ethnic equality. Whilst this offers a great deal of freedom for personal expression, we ask that students recognise we are an 11-18 school and as such they are expected to act as role models and must dress appropriately in the context of the wider school, they are a part of.

**CONDUCT AND SAFETY** We care about all our students, and we want them to be happy, healthy in body and mind and for them to make fantastic progress in school. School life is more than just lessons; it is also about helping shape rounded young people who have the confidence to go out into the world of work as positive citizens with strong ethics. Respect Honesty and Kindness are our School Values which drive all our decision making. Please see below a reminder of the school standards and conduct which all students are familiar with. We ask that you support us in reminding your child of the importance of these expectations which are in place to ensure that school is a calm and safe space for all to thrive in. Whilst the standards refer directly to school uniform the concepts are still applicable to sixth form students and as such, we expect them to be upheld.

**WISEPAY AND FREE SCHOOL MEALS** As you know, the Wisepay system is used for parents and carers to make payments to the school, for school meals, trips and fundraising. Please can you ensure that you have added money for lunch on Thursday. You can apply for free school meals if you believe you are eligible on the City of York Council website Eligibility for free school meals [How to apply for free school meals – City of York Council](#)

**CLASS CHARTS** We use Class Charts to communicate with parents. This will also be the platform for Homework to be recorded for all year groups from September. Further detail regarding this will be communicated to you at the start of term. Please can I also remind all parents, carers and students that students will receive their new school timetables on the first day of term. The school office is still inputting information and some Heads of department are making changes to groupings. Please



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do not attempt to look on the school system for timetables before Thursday as the information may be incorrect.

Please find below a reminder of the contact details for the key members of the Pastoral Team from September. We welcome close contact with our families.

Head of Year 12 Mrs L Hopson [L.Hopson@huntington-ed.org.uk](mailto:L.Hopson@huntington-ed.org.uk)

Head of Year 13 Mrs R Willson [r.wilson@huntington-ed.org.uk](mailto:r.wilson@huntington-ed.org.uk)

Student support Leader for Year 12 & Year 13 Mrs Blunt [a.blunt@huntington-ed.org.uk](mailto:a.blunt@huntington-ed.org.uk)

Assistant Headteacher/Director of Sixth Form Mr Johnson [m.johnson@huntington-ed.org.uk](mailto:m.johnson@huntington-ed.org.uk)

Assistant Headteacher & SENCO Mr Lowe [W.Lowe@huntington-ed.org.uk](mailto:W.Lowe@huntington-ed.org.uk)

Deputy Headteacher:Safeguarding Lead and Pastoral Care Mrs Naish [g.naish@huntington-ed.org.uk](mailto:g.naish@huntington-ed.org.uk)

Finally, I would like to wish you all the very best for the end of the summer holiday and the new school year ahead.

Yours sincerely

M. Johnson

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