Striving for Excellence

1st September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers and Year 7 Pupils,

A very warm Kingshill welcome to all of you. I hope everyone has been able to enjoy the summer, all be it in perhaps a different way to the usual.

I thought it would be helpful to just remind you of a few details ready for next week.

On the first day, Monday 6th September 2021, all Y7 pupils should arrive and gather around the Library area. There will be plenty of staff on hand to help. The tutors will then collect the pupils to take them to their tutor bases. We would expect pupils to be in their full school uniform. It would be helpful if all pupils ensured they have some basic stationary including pencil-case, pencil, fountain or ball-point pen, ruler, rubber, coloured pencils, felt-tip pens, drawing equipment, and a scientific calculator. Other items that may be useful are a pair of safety scissors, a glue stick a pencil sharpener, a highlighter pen, a protractor and a compass.

During Monday, pupils will be completing activities focusing on team work, getting to know one another and building their individual resilience. Timetabled lessons will start on Tuesday.

There is a £3.50 charge for locker usage for the year. This will be collected on Monday, although pupils can subsequently pay this over the following week if necessary.

Where possible, we would recommend that all pupils bring a packed lunch from home to minimise high volumes of use in the Dining Hall and The Lunch Box. We will however have a lunch service being provided by our kitchen team for those pupils where bringing lunch from home is not possible, or for those who still wish to purchase lunch from school. The Dining Hall and The Lunch Box will both be selling the same items of food, and the items available will be constantly reviewed and expanded to include a breakfast and break time offer as and when school life settles down. Payments for items will need to be made using the cashless system. The biometric readers will be wiped down between each use. Pupils will need to use the serving area allocated to their year group.

Pupils entitled to Free School Meals will make their selection for lunch and take it to the tills to be recorded on the cashless system.

Finally can I just remind parents who drop children off via car to use the Council car park by Watermoor Primary School. There is a gate from this car park directly in to the school site and using this car park will help to ensure the safety of all pupils.

I look forward to meeting and working with all of you in due course.

Yours sincerely,

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