# Welcome to St Paul's

#### Year 7 Parent Induction Meeting



This presentation will be available on the school website after the meetings so you can view the notes and details any time over the Summer Term and Summer Holidays.

### Mobile phones on silent please. If the Fire Alarm sounds: please evacuate the building to the left of the doors and out on to the playground area.

### You are God's work of Art (St Paul Eph 2:10)



Our mission at St Paul's is to be co-creators with God; shaping and forming the masterpieces God has made. As St Paul writes, each person is God's work of art. It is a privilege for us as a community to have such a formative role in nurturing a young person to be full of ambition and hope in the future. St Paul's is a place of welcome and a haven for all who spend time here.

Ambition

Abundance

Achievement

### **A Time to Thrive: New Developments**

- New Curriculum for Key Stage Three
  - more time to master and become expert before choosing pathways
  - more time for teaching subjects Core and Arts/Practical
  - Personal Development & Careers Provision strong
- Break time and split lunch more time for development and enrichment
- Increased time on the curriculum for Maths, Science, English, RS, the Arts and Design by creating an additional lesson every day
- Opportunities for Enrichment and Extra-Curricular restored and increased
- Chaplaincy and Spiritual Life refreshed and renewed with our Chaplain
- Staff CPD for Teaching & Learning and Behaviour has time every week to ensure we move to outstanding provision
- Investment in pastoral and inclusion care at St Paul's remains high and key priority



### **Our School Day from September 2023**

Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri	Times
FORM/Pastoral Time	8.20-8.55
Lesson 1	9.00-9.50
Lesson 2	9.50-10.40
BREAK	10.40-11.00
Lesson 3	11.00-11.50
Lesson 4 or KS4 Lunch	11.50-12.40
Lesson 5 or KS3 Lunch	12.40-1.30
Lesson 6	1.30-2.20
Lesson 7	2.20-3.10

Short and swift movement between lessons - 3 minutes allocation to do so.

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No Lesson 7: Staff Training	
and Development Time	End of Day

Staff Training and Development time drives improvement more quickly and securely.

ST PAUL'S ACADEMY

### Life is changing but communication is key



- 1. School drop off may become a thing of the past or a more 'distant' experience
- 2. One teacher now changes to 11-15 teachers for your child
- 3. Secondary teachers are not on the gates to say goodbye everyday - this is on a rota system
- 4. It may be that your child starts to say less you need to keep the communication open
- 5. Show curiosity before judgement
- 6. Ask questions; leave space for a bigger picture
- 7. Make contact and share; then stay in partnership



### The Year 7 Pastoral Team: Creativity & Technologies

Ms McNamara Senior Head of Year & Head of Year 7



#### **Form Tutors**

7A Mr Michalopoulos	7B Ms Pomfret	7C Mrs McCabe	7D Mr Iqbal
7E Mr Molefi	7F Mr Fowdar	7G Mr Abrokwa	7H Mr Facey



### Form Tutor: Daily Contact

- The Form Tutor is the adult who sees your child daily
- First port of contact well placed to deal with questions and concerns
- Their role is an important one:
  - To guide students through their day with respect, determination & resilience
  - To help students discover what is important and to help them see the value in working together



## **School Equipment**

- The Academy will provide:
  - School Planner
  - Swipe Card
  - Exercise Books

Zip Card	For travel on buses to and from school
Reading Book	For personal reading during form time and at home
Water Bottle	To refill and use in school
Writing Pens	Black / Blue / Red / Purple / Green
Pencils	Writing & Drawing
Felt Tip Pens / Pencils	Colours for creative classwork & homework
Eraser	To plan work using a pencil and to rub out mistakes!
Ruler	12"/ 30cm
Sharpener	For pencils
Calculator	For Maths, Science, Computer Science Classwork & Homework
Geometry Set	For Maths classwork & Homework
Pencil Case	To keep your equipment in



### **Uniform: Lower Cost over time**





## Our new school uniform is launching for The Class of 2028

- Grey Logo Blazer [compulsory]
- Grey Logo Jumper [optional]
- White Shirt
- Black Skirt and/or Black Trousers
- Gold tie with Logo [all students]
- Black tights
- White or black ankle socks [unbranded]
- Black school shoes [not boots]
- Academy PE Kit



### **Attendance & Punctuality**

All students should be in the courtyards by 8.10am so that they are not late to school. The bell for morning line ups and uniform checks take place.

Students should be on time to all lessons in the day too - avoids lost learning and disruption to the learning of others.

#### Days off school add up to lost learning **175 NON SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR** 175 days to spend on family time, visits, holidays, shopping, household jobs and other appointments 0 6 15 19 DAYS ABSENCE DAYS ABSENCE DAYS ABSENCE OR MORE (190 school days) OR MORE Below 100% 96.% 92.% 90% EXCELLENT SATISFACTORY REQUIRES ATTENDANCE ATTENDANCE IMPROVEMENT Best chance of SUCCESS Harder to make good Less chance of success progress

	Setting to school <u>on time</u> Illy matters. Did you knov		
If in a school year, you are late every day by	You would have lost approximately	or you would have missed approximately	
5 Minutes	3.5 Days from School	18 Lessons	
10 Minutes	7 Days from School	<b>35</b> Lessons	
15 Minutes	10 Days from School	50 Lessons	
20 Minutes	14.5 Days from School	73 Lessons	
30 Minutes	22 Days from School	110 Lessons	

You should not take holidays during term time. Please be punctual to maintain attendance. Remember Absence = Lost Opportunity



### **Behaviour and Expectations: 3Bs**

#### Be Safe

• One way systems



- Where you should be at all times adult supervision
- Non contact school

### **Be Respectful**

- Follow the instructions of all staff, advice or messages from staff at all times
- Courtesy gratitude and helpfulness
- **Be Ready for Learning** 
  - Check their equipment and things each evening ready and avoiding difficulties with accessing learning
  - Homework set according to the timetable



### **Rewards & Reports**

#### **Rewards**

We reward students using the behaviour logging system. This will be Gold, Silver and Bronze level depending on the action of the student. Our students are always so proud. They can then 'cash' these in for rewards at the rewards shop at set times in the year.

#### **Reports**

There are two reports sent home reporting on the academic progress and learning skills and behaviour shown by your child. These will be explained each time. There are two evenings when you can meet staff. Initially the 'Meet the Tutor' Evening on 28 September and then one Parents'/Carers' Evening in the Spring Term. A behaviour log will be sent home weekly indicating positive rewards given and also informing you of any poor choices that you may need to speak to your child about.







## St Paul's uses an <u>online</u> payment system for school meals. The benefits parents are:

- Your child safer in not bringing cash to school.
- You know the money you give them is being spent on the things you intend.
- You can top up child's card online using a debit/credit card.
- You can actively look at how much money is left on their swipe card
- You can pay for trips and books

## Please actively support your child to in managing their swipe card. They will need your support.

When your child starts at St Paul's, you will be provided with unique details to log in to the ParentPay website





#### **CULTURAL DRESS DAY**

#### **WEYBOURNE CARE HOME**

#### **ARTS SHOWCASE**

### GARDENING CLUB

#### **GIRLS' FOOTBALL TEAM**





#### **Y9/Y10 BASKETBALL TEAM**

### **Enrichment and Learning outside the Classroom**





Extra-curricular

You could achieve up to 56

positive points!

CLUB & TIMES

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#### Homework Timetable & Google Classroom



### Safeguarding: Keeping Children Safe in Education







DSL: Kim Nicholas

DDSL: Bal Assi

DDSL: Huw Francis



DDSL: Michelle Hepburn

"Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility"



DSL: Sheila Ward



- Safeguarding Team
- Staff: Look, Listen, Link
- Students: Tell someone anyone who is trusted
- Safeguarding: Messages about phones and Social Media
- Sanctions and Punishments: Parental responsibilities and Our responsibilities

### **Mobile Phones**

St Paul's has always been prepared to evolve its rules to reflect developments in modern society.

We focus on the way devices are used, rather than the nature of the device itself.

Our new mobile phone policy comes into force September 2023:

- Students are not permitted to have their phone on / use their phone on the campus
- Phones must be turned off and placed in the bottom of the student's bag / in their blazer
- If any member of staff sees the mobile phone and it is switched on, then it will be confiscated
- The phone will be stored in a safe. It will only be released to the student's parent / carer [according to SIMS]
- Phones can only be collected between the hours of 9am 4pm by prior arrangement only.



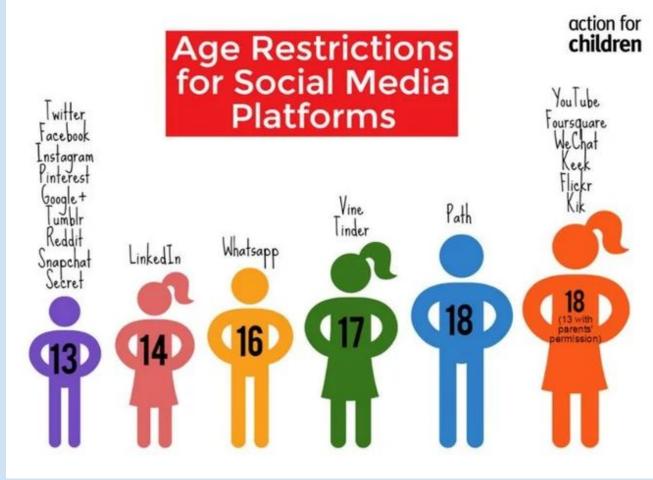
### **E-Safety**

It is important to monitor your child's use of social media - learn how to use it!

Guidance & support can be given through our Learning Mentors.

Restrict 'group' chats often contain young people across the borough and are therefore hard to monitor.

Devices used in the Academy are protected by online monitoring service at all times.





### What happens when things are not right?

- Communicate
- Show curiosity
- Think before we judge
- Remember that childhood interactions are often complex; but easy to narrate
- Reflect on the guidance given about expectations as a guide
- Use the systems and escalate if necessary: Form Tutor, Head of Year, Senior Head of Year, Mr O'Donoghue, Miss Hepburn



### What next for my child's induction?

- Taster Day: Wednesday 5th July. 8.45am 2pm (Cognitive and Reading assessments)
- Summer School
  - o w/c 24th July <u>or</u> w/c 31st July
- Induction Day: September 6th
- Meet the Tutor: September 28th



### **Chaplaincy and Spiritual Life**

- As a Catholic School, prayer and liturgy is at the heart of all we do. We welcome people of all backgrounds
- We start and end each day with a time of prayer
- We celebrate liturgies at key points in the School and Church year
- We celebrate a monthly voluntary School Mass at lunch time
- At St Paul's we believe it is vital to put our faith into action we do this through our fundraising and community outreach work



### **Final Reflection**

Dear God,

You have called us together in the sacred task of nurturing our young people to be your work of art and become all that they can be. We cannot do it alone. We ask for your guidance and support as we work in our new partnership of school and home in the years ahead. May those years help our children thrive. Amen.



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