

July 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

**Year 11 Return to School – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022**

As we reach the end of what has been a more normal but still very challenging year for all of us, I am able to update you on our plans around returning to school in September.

**Return Dates**

Students will have a staggered return on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September to allow for Year 7 Transition and to ensure a smooth start for all from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September onwards.

<b>Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022</b>	
<b>Lunch:</b> (12.15 – 13.00)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Arrive via Mill Lane entrance</li> <li>○ Lunch available in Lower Food Court</li> </ul>
<b>Lesson 4:</b> (13.00 – 14.00)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Assembly in Hall</li> <li>○ Form time               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Timetables</li> <li>○ Rules reminders</li> <li>○ Routines</li> <li>○ Start intervention activities</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Lesson 5:</b> (14.00 – 15.00)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Continue form time activities</li> <li>○ Leave at 15.00 via either exit</li> </ul>

Head of Year: Miss Connor

Leadership Year Links: Mr. Clift and Mr. Downey

SENCO: Miss Winter

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Miss Murphy

**All students should attend school every day from Monday 5 September 2022 onwards**

**Mobile Phones, Headphones and Smart Watches**

We have changed our rules around mobile devices for years 7 to 10 this year as they have continued to cause conflict between staff and students due to their misuse. However, as Year 11 are the most senior year the phone rules will remain the same for them – they can use them at break and lunch **outside learning buildings only**. If they are seen at any other time they will be confiscated. We expect Year 11 to show an example to the younger students and they will lose this privilege if they are unable to use it responsibly. However, there are other changes as shown below.

**Headphones** – students must not wear headphones on site. If these are seen at any time on site they will be confiscated, **along with the phone they will be connected to**.

**Smart Watches** – are banned by examination boards, and we have decided to ban them as well to get the students into good habits. Again, any smart watch seen will be confiscated.

**Confiscation:** Any member of staff can confiscate any item seen. If the student follows instructions straight away, the device will be returned to them at the end of the day. If the student refuses and other staff must become involved, the device will be stored securely until a parent can collect. Serious defiance will result in further sanctions up to and including suspension.

## **Uniform Policy**

Full details of our uniform can be found in the parent's section of our website at [www.hollylodge.liverpool.sch.uk](http://www.hollylodge.liverpool.sch.uk)

I would like to stress the following.

- All students should wear their blazer at all times.
- Outdoor jackets must be plain black and waterproof. Jackets of any other colour will be confiscated and returned at the end of the day. An outdoor jacket does not replace a blazer.

## **Staffing Updates**

We say goodbye to the following staff this year.

- Miss Callaghan (TA)
- Miss Cuthbert (Science)
- Mrs. Evans (Science)
- Miss Fahey (Art)
- Mrs. McColl (Year Leader)
- Mrs. Morley (English)
- Mrs. Rhodes (Senior Year Leader)
- Mrs. Sung (Science)
- Miss Woolley (MFL)

We thank them all for their service and wish them luck in the future.

We are delighted to welcome the following new staff and very much look forward to working with them.

- Miss Barch (TA)
- Mr. Cooke (Science)
- Mr. Fallon (English)
- Miss McCarthy (Science)
- Miss Morse (Humanities)
- Mrs. Murphy (Head of Year 10)

Finally, I am delighted to report that the group have made an excellent start to Year 11. Since we issued them with their ties, we have seen a continuation of this year's significantly improved predictions and attitude to learning, a very successful 6<sup>th</sup> form and college taster day and nearly 40 students have completed their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh awards. It goes without saying that if they continue in this manner, they will have an excellent year and we are looking forward to working with them through this exciting and challenging time of their lives.

With very best wishes for a happy and healthy summer.

Yours sincerely



**Mr. A. Keen**  
**Headteacher**

**EXPECT TO ACHIEVE**

