

# Year 8 Meet the Tutor - Welcome

Tutor group:

Tutor:



# Year 8 Team



Ms Johnson (HOY)



Ms Siddell (DHT Head of KS3)



Ms Altinok (DHOY)



Ms Smart (AHT)



Ms Bentil (Learning Mentor)

# The Year 8 Tutor Team

Tutor Group	Tutor	Email
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		h.altinok@sydenham.lewisham.sch.uk
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8H	Ms Easington	r.easington@sydenham.lewisham.sch.uk
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8M	Ms McGonigle	l.mcgonigle@sydenham.lewisham.sch.uk



# A great start from Year 8!



- Well done to all our Year 8 students!
- They have been excellent role models for the new Year 7 students
- Many have helped at the Open Mornings taking prospective parents and students on tours
- They have adapted well to new routines e.g. changes to social time areas
- They have demonstrated positive attitudes
- They look very smart in full uniform
- They have demonstrated maturity and kindness towards each other



# Year 8 – an exciting year!



Get  
involved!

- New classes and teachers for some subjects
- Extra-curricular clubs and sports teams
- Autumn Concert
- Dance Show
- GCSE Options are selected (you will hear more about this later in the MSH)



# The role of the Tutor



**The first port of call for students' wellbeing**

**Supporting and monitoring academic progress**

**Building emotional literacy and promoting excellent behaviour**

**Monitoring attendance and punctuality**

**Checking uniform and planners**

**Supporting Students' Personal Development**

**Promoting Student Voice and tutor group input into Student Council.**

**Organising tutor group rewards – certificates for merits, punctuality, attendance**

**Encouraging extra-curricular involvement from every student**



# Which characteristics are we looking for in Sydenham students?



## We think of others:

- Be collaborative
- Be concerned for society
- Be calm and respectful when moving around the school
- Be kind to others at all times



# Which characteristics are we looking for in Sydenham students?



## We are ready to learn:

- Arrive on time
- Be fully equipped
- Follow our 5 to start, 5 to finish routines
- Wear correct school uniform
- Follow instructions





# Which characteristics are we looking for in Sydenham students?



## We work hard:

- Show resilience and perseverance
- Participate in every lesson
- Always try our best
- Act on feedback
- Meet deadlines



# Which characteristics are we looking for in Sydenham students?



## We are curious and open-minded

- See mistakes as opportunities to improve
- Listen to the ideas of others respectfully
- Participate in whole school events, clubs and opportunities



# What can you expect from us?



- ▶ A year team that is kind
- ▶ A year team that will listen to you and your child
- ▶ A year team that you can form good relationships with
- ▶ A year team that will help find solutions to challenges you have
- ▶ Friendly faces that will encourage your child each morning
- ▶ A year team that cares and are committed to your child's success at Sydenham
- ▶ A year team that will celebrate your child and their achievements
- ▶ A year team that will support your child to make the right decisions and offer constructive feedback where necessary
- ▶ A team that will support your child's academic progress
- ▶ A year team that will challenge your child to become the best version of yourself



# The Weekly Programme



- Your child should arrive to school by 8:40am, where they go straight to tutor time
- Year 8 students no longer line up in the morning and at the end of break/ lunch. They take themselves independently to all their lessons.

Year	Session	Key focus
<b>Monday</b>	<i>Silent reading, admin and notices</i>	Literacy
<b>Tuesday</b>	<i>Task linked to the previous weeks' assembly theme</i>	Oracy
<b>Wednesday</b>	<i>Numeracy Ninjas</i>	Numeracy
<b>Thursday</b>	<i>Assembly</i>	Assembly
<b>Friday</b>	<i>Current Affairs/ News</i>	Pastoral Focus





# How can you support us?



- Check your child's planner and sign it
- Check planner and Bromcom to see that homework is being completed
- Encourage enrichment involvement. All students in Year 8 should join at least one club
- Contact the tutor with any concerns you may have. **My email address is:**
- Ensure that all your child's belongings are carefully labelled

S U P P O R T

# Communication between school and home



- **Tutor:** Pastoral issues or issues across subjects and your first port of call
- Fortnightly **newsletter** SYD emailed to all parents
- **Bromcom** – monitor homework, punctuality and positive / negative behaviour points (MCAS)
- Regular **text** and **email** reminders
- **Student Planner:** Please sign this each week to confirm that homework is complete. Messages can be written in the planner.
- Contact **Reception** if you would like to **speak** or **meet** with a member of staff
- Subject Teacher: Questions related to a particular **subject**
- PTA

- Wherever possible, please email teachers during our working hours (8am – 6pm).
- This helps staff to have a healthy work/ life balance.
- We understand many parents work full time – where possible, schedule emails to send the next morning.



# Uniform



- Blazer (needs to be brought every day)
- Jumper (optional in hot weather)
- Blue shirt with reverse collar
- KS3 skirt or blue school trousers
- Black shoes (that can be polished)
- Black socks
- Black or blue coat
- Sydenham school bag



# Uniform – what not to wear



- Jewellery
- Dangly/hoop earrings
- Large studs
- Facial piercings/multiple piercings
- False nails and nail varnish
- Make up
- Dyed hair/extensions
- Trainers – black trainers are not allowed
- Suede shoes
- White socks
- Hoodies (the Sydenham hoodie can only be worn for PE)
- Non-school bag





# PE Kit



T-SHIRT



JUMPER



SHORTS



LEGGINGS



TROUSERS

**Available from Whereabouts**

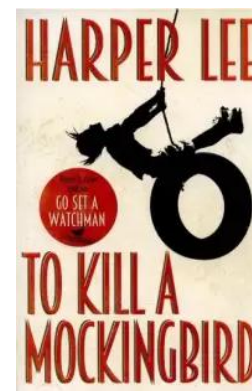
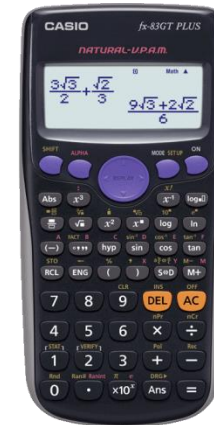
**Address:** 99 Sydenham Rd,  
London SE26 5UA

**Phone:** 020 8659 9917

# Equipment



- Planner
- A pencil case containing:
  - Pens (black)
  - Pencils and sharpener
  - Ruler
  - Eraser
- Reading book
- Scientific calculator
- Reusable water bottle



# Mobile Phones and Smart Watches

1. Must be turned off and in school bag (not in pocket) once through the school gate.
2. Automatic confiscation if seen on site:
  - 1st confiscation = C1 detention student collects phone from reception after detention completed
  - 2nd confiscation = Parents/Carers collect phone after 24 hours



# Extra- Curricular Clubs

## Dance Department

### Curriculum Enrichment Activities



Day	Lunch	After School 3:20-4:20
Monday		<b>SDance Company</b> All Years Dance Studio Ms Walker
Tuesday		<b>Dance KS3 Club</b> Dance Studio Ms Hemstead and Ms Walker
Wednesday		<b>Meetings</b>
Thursday		<b>KS4 Dance Club</b> Dance Studio Ms Hemstead
Friday	<b>Elevate Company</b> Selected students Ms Walker	



## Extra-Curricular Clubs – Term 1 and 2- 2023-2024

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School 8am to 8.30am	Fitness Club- All year groups Fitness Suite Miss Notice		Fitness Club- All year groups Fitness Suite Miss Williams	Staff Badminton Sports Hall Miss Fullilove 7.30am to 8.10am	Fitness Club- All year groups Fitness Suite Miss Fullilove
Lunch time  1pm to 1.30pm			Benchball Club Sports hall Miss Williams		Multi sports Sports hall <u>Invite Only</u> Miss Fullilove
After school  3.30-4.30pm	Year 7 and 8 Netball Club Sports Hall Miss Williams/ Miss Fullilove	Year 7 and 8 Football Club MUGA Miss Fullilove	Year 7 to 10 Badminton Club Sports Hall Coach Steve £2.50 per session	Year 9 and 10 Netball Club MUGA Miss Williams	Sixth form Fridays Multi Sports Sports hall PE Team
		Year 7 and 8 Trampolining Club Sports Hall Miss Notice		Year 7 to 10 Basketball Club Sports Hall Miss Fullilove	Rugby Year 7 to 9 MUGA Coach Spike

# ATTENDANCE MATTERS

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6 days or less  
absence per year

**97% or above**

**VERY GOOD  
THIS IS YOUR  
TARGET**

Between  
7 and 19 days  
absence per year

**90% - 96%**

**BELOW  
EXPECTATIONS**

More  
than 19 days  
absence per year

**Under 90%**

**POOR  
ATTENDANCE**

# Any questions?

