



Dear Parent/Carer and new Year 7 student

We hope that this letter finds you well and that you are looking forward to your new start with us in September.

Your first day at school will be Wednesday 4th September 2024. The school day begins at 8:40am with gates opening from 8:35am. On the first day we will be opening the gate from 8:30am to ensure a smooth and stress-free start, you will enter via the Astroturf gate and go straight into the sports hall in your tutor group lines (just like on the taster days).

You will meet your form tutor, their role is to look after the day-to-day wellbeing of the students in their tutor group and to develop strong and positive relationships based on trust, mutual respect and understanding by getting to know the students and families individually. Tutors will be the first port of call for any concerns that you or the student may have, and our aim is to ensure that their journey through the school is as smooth and enjoyable as possible and channels of communication with home are clear.

There is a 'Meet the Tutor Evening' scheduled for Tuesday 24th of September and more details will follow at the start of term 1.

Day 1 - Wednesday 4th September

8:30am - 8:50am – Arrival Sports hall

8:50am - 9:35am – Assembly Main Hall – Principal, Vice Principal and Head of Year Welcome

9:35am - 10:00am – Tutor Time 'Get to know you' activities and Fingerprints for cashless system.

10:00am - 11:00am – Tutor Time 'Get to know you' activities and Fingerprints for cashless system.

11:00am - 11:30am – Break 1

11:30am - 12:30pm – Period 3 lessons as per the timetable.

12:30pm - 1:30pm – Period 4 lessons as per the timetable.

1:30pm - 2:00pm – Break 2

2:00pm -3:00pm – End of Day

On day 1 a lunch will be provided for each student to give you time to activate your parent pay account and load money onto this for the rest of the week. Students in receipt of free school meals will have the daily allocation automatically loaded onto this account.

Day 2 – Thursday 5th September

11:00am – Break Time and Y7 arrive

11:30am – Period 3 - all years in normal lessons for remainder of day.

Please keep an eye on the transition page on our website – we have added resources and activities that you can use to support your child during the school holidays, as well as frequently asked questions and all previous letters and information we have supplied.

<https://www.thestleonardsacademy.org.uk/resources-for-students/year-6-transition>



For all school uniform needs please head to the SuperStitch86 website.

<https://www.superstitch86.co.uk/product-category/schoolwear/senior-academies-colleges/the-st-leonards-academy/>

Polite reminder regarding uniform; if you have chosen to buy trainers instead of school shoes, please ensure that these are ALL black. Non-school uniform items (hoodies / jumpers / caps) will be confiscated by the Year Team and returned at the end of each day. Under no circumstances are students permitted to wear leggings or branded jogging bottoms.

We do have a recycle scheme for uniform that all students have access to, the uniform is pre-loved, good quality and freshly cleaned, some donated uniform is brand new. If you need to discuss any aspect uniform support, please email e.fogg@thestleonardsacademy.org.uk

We are looking forward to working in partnership with you and thank you in advance for your support.

Yours faithfully

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