



Parent/Carer Bulletin

25 August 2023

A reminder from Mr Stewart:

Students return to school on **Tuesday 5th September 2023**. All students must be on the school site by **8:25am**.

We expect all students to return in their full school uniform, appropriate footwear and following our expectations around appearance. Where this is not the case, parents/carers will be contacted by their child's Year Manager.

As a reminder, you can get information about our school uniform expectations on our website: [School uniform \(hermitageacademy.co.uk\)](http://School uniform (hermitageacademy.co.uk))

Students must also have the correct equipment, as per the letters sent in July and August.

We are moving to a **two-week timetable**, so when students return, we are **WEEK ONE**

We are very much looking forward to welcoming students back to school and ensuring they achieve their very best.

Catering Services

Due to increased costs, as of September, there will be price increases to a number of products from our dining areas. Although, to support parents/carers, we have made some amendments to our menus to make sure it is as cost effective as possible.

Students can still buy individual items both at break and lunch.

The meal deal options continue to be popular.

Although to try and make things cost effective for parents/carers, from September, the **meal deal** options we offer will be **three items** for **£2.70**.

The option will consist of:

- hot main meal (vegetarian option or a grab and go option available) and dessert/fruit and a bottle of water/fruit juice.

If a child is in receipt of free school meals, then they will be credited enough to get a meal deal.

We continue to ensure that students get a nutritious offering, and also value for money.

Please also check that ParentPay is topped up. Any issues, contact the main school office.

Dates for your diary:

(Further information will be sent out for each event.)

Date:	Event:
Tuesday 5th September, 8:25am	All students return to school/sixth form.
Thursday 7 th September, 5 – 6pm	Year 7 Information/Meet Tutor Event
Wednesday 13 th September, 5 – 6pm	Year 12 Information/Meet Tutor Event
Thursday 14 th September, 5 – 7:30pm	Y5/Y6 Open Evening
Thursday 21 st September, 5 – 6pm	Year 10 Information Event
Thursday 28 th September, 5 – 6pm	Year 8 Information Event
Thursday 28 th September	School Photographs
Thursday 5 th October, 5 – 6pm	Year 9 Information Event
Wednesday 11 th October, 5 – 7.30pm	Sixth Form Open Evening
Thursday 26 th October, 5 – 6pm	Year 11 Information Event

Staffing update:

We have made some changes to our staffing structure, so we wanted to update you, so you are all aware prior to the students returning in September.

Senior staff:	Role:
Mr Hutchinson	Deputy Headteacher (Pastoral)
Mrs Howe	Deputy Headteacher (Safeguarding)
Mrs Turner	Deputy Headteacher (Curriculum)
Dr Willis	Assistant Headteacher (Personal Development)
Mrs Bulmer	Assistant Headteacher (Teaching and Learning)
Mr Boyce	Assistant Headteacher (Achievement)
Mrs Marshall	Assistant Headteacher (CIAG - Careers)
Mrs Barnes	Assistant Headteacher (Head of English)
Miss Trainor	Assistant Headteacher (Head of Maths)

Key pastoral staff for behaviour and attendance:

Year Managers:	
Mrs Mayhall	Year Manager – Y7
Miss Boyle	Year Manager – Y8
Miss McGillan	Year Manager – Y9
Mrs Mason	Year Manager – Y10
Attendance Manager:	
Mrs Fletcher	

Key staff for achievement and progress:

Achievement:	
Mrs Howard	Head of Achievement – Y7
Miss Bratton	Head of Achievement – Y8
Mr Rowles	Head of Achievement – Y9
Mr Widdowson	Head of Achievement – Y10
Mrs Jamieson	Head of Achievement – Y11
Mrs Bradley / Mrs Smith	Assistant Heads of Sixth Form

House System:

We are VERY excited to introduce our House system to students. Students will be placed into one of the four Houses, these are:



Students will be able to gain House points for their positive contributions and behaviours and demonstrating personal qualities befitting of their character:



A final plea ...

If you have **changed your contact details** or **you have moved recently**, could you please let the school office know or ask for a form to update.

Finally, if there are any issues or worries that you may have or if there has been anything over the holidays, we need to be aware of, please contact the school prior to your child's return.

We will always aim to support our students, and their families, in any way that we are able.