



ST. AIDAN'S
CHURCH OF ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL



Year 7 Handbook

2023 - 2024

Life in all its fullness



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Living and learning according to our Church foundation and the example of Saint Aidan, we strive to be a centre of educational excellence where each and everyone knows the gift of life in all its fullness.

Wisdom

Learning all that we can about the world and how to live well in it

It is good for us to study, explore and determine the fullness of life. We may discover new interests, talents and enthusiasms. We will contribute to the world in better ways, understanding how to live and learn well.

Aspiration

Exploring our calling and achieving the best for others and ourselves

We aim for and look forward to the many achievements and blessings to come and to exploring our calling in life. We work hard and respond well to challenges, achieving the best for others and ourselves.

Learning well together

Putting good relationships at the heart of our community

We strive to create a community where everyone learns well together, sharing the journey with common values and goals. We try our best, at all times, to relate well to each other and to be kind and keen in the service of others.

Kindness

As God's children, upholding dignity and respect, justice and charity

We respect and celebrate each person for who they are and, as God's children, we recognise the importance of kindness and diversity. We welcome each and everyone, upholding dignity and justice and looking after one another.

Our prayer

Everlasting God, you sent Saint Aidan to proclaim the gospel in this land: help us to live as he taught, to love you and to love our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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From the Headteacher

Academic Year 2023 - 2024

Welcome to St Aidan's School. I hope that you will be happy here and that you will enjoy the experience of learning with us in all kinds of ways. St Aidan's has an excellent reputation, built up by those who have gone before you and many parents and carers want their children to join the school. We look forward to working with you now, to make sure that you behave and work in such a way that maintains this reputation as we learn well together and show kindness in everything that we do.

You will find that St Aidan's offers more than just a study of different subjects and I do hope that you will take advantage of the many extra-curricular activities that are available. Every pupil should join at least one club or activity during their first year, exploring interests and enthusiasms as you grow up.

St Aidan's is first and foremost a Christian school and this means that in everything we do or say we should be thinking about the teaching of Jesus, and the example of Saint Aidan. We want everyone at St Aidan's to live life in all its fullness and to always 'Love our Neighbour', thinking about those less fortunate than ourselves.

I wish you every success in your time at St Aidan's and we are confident that, together, we will see you reach your potential in everything that you undertake in your time with us.

Mrs S Dover
Headteacher





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Head of Year 7

The role of the Head of Year, along with our form tutors, is to make sure you settle in quickly and have a successful and happy first year at St Aidan's. It's a fresh start for all and there are lots of opportunities to meet new people and join new clubs.

Form tutors will take the place of your class teacher in primary school. They will get to know you throughout your time at St Aidan's. Their job is to help and encourage you, and together you will record your achievements and successes. They will also be there to guide you through any difficulties you may have and help solve any problems you encounter.

Each of the forms is named after a Cathedral, these are;

C Canterbury

E Exeter

S Salisbury

D Durham

G Gloucester

P Peterborough

W Winchester

Y York

You will find out which form you are in when you visit us on the Transition day in July.

We look forward to meeting you in Main Reception on your first day.

The School Day

The day begins with Registration in Form Rooms at 8.45 a.m. Aim to be there in good time. After this, the day is as follows:

8.45 a.m.	Registration
8.50 a.m.	Assembly or Form Period in Form Rooms
9.10 a.m.	First Period begins
10.10 a.m.	First Period ends
10.15 a.m.	Second Period begins
11.10 a.m.	Second Period ends

Morning Break

11.30 a.m.	Third Period begins
12.30 p.m.	Third period ends

Lunchtime

1.30 p.m.	Fourth Period begins
2.30 p.m.	Fourth Period ends
2.35 p.m.	Fifth Period begins
3.35 p.m.	End of School Day

Please be punctual at all times, especially making sure you are in time for Registration in the morning and Period Four in the afternoon.

If you are late you need to:

Sign in using the InVentry System located at Reception

Pupils arriving after 9.10 am **must** register at Reception. If you are not in Registration, you will be marked absent in the Register and will have to give an explanation.

School Uniform

Please ensure all items are clearly named.

The uniform ensures that you are smartly dressed while at school and identified as a member of St Aidan's. Hair, too, should be kept tidy and smart. No extreme styles are allowed. All items of uniform and kit should be clearly marked with your name. A sensible weatherproof outdoor coat should be worn (leather or denim not allowed). All students are encouraged to carry a named water bottle that can be refilled at school.

Uniform List

- Plain, dark navy blue V-necked sweater/cardigan or St Aidan's hoodie (no other hoodies are permitted in school).
- White shirt/blouse with school tie – the tie should cover the fastened top button of the shirt. Shirt always tucked in. A similar shirt/blouse, but short-sleeved may be worn in summer (with tie) but no fitted $\frac{3}{4}$ sleeve style shirts.
- All students in year groups 7-10 must wear black trousers in a tailored style, i.e. no jeans or leggings style. Skin tight trousers are not acceptable.
- Plain black flat heeled shoes and black ankle socks (no trainer socks). Trainers or canvas shoes of any type are not acceptable.
- Year 11 girls may choose to wear trousers as above or a pleated navy skirt again as supplied by uniform retailers. This should be of sensible length no more than 3 inches above the knee with plain dark navy/black thick tights. Straight pencil skirts are not acceptable. There is a different Year 11 tie, which can be purchased from Emblazon or Rawcliffes in Harrogate.

Whilst some of these items are "optional" alternative items should not be worn unless stated.

Emblazon, 37 – 39 Tower Street, Harrogate HG1 1HS (01423 529935)

Rawcliffes, Rawcliffe Corner, 63 East Parade, Town Centre, Harrogate HG1 5LB

Girls PE

- St Aidan's navy skort
- Navy blue shorts
- St Aidan's navy sports t-shirt
- Navy blue knee-length hockey socks
- Shin pads
- White ankle socks
- Football boots (moulded soles suitable for our 3G pitch)
- Trainers – one pair suitable for inside and outside use (these must be clean for indoor use)
- St Aidan's tracksuit bottoms (optional) or dark navy blue tracksuit bottoms, plain no stripes
- St Aidan's hooded sweatshirt (optional)
- St Aidan's waterproof jacket (optional)
- St Aidan's base layer top (optional)
- St Aidan's navy leggings (optional) must be worn with your PE skort over the top

Boys PE

- St Aidan's PE shorts or plain dark navy blue football shorts
- School football/rugby shirt in navy/yellow (reversible navy on inside) - optional
- Plain navy blue football socks
- Shin Pads
- St Aidan's navy sports t-shirt
- White ankle socks
- Football boots (moulded soles suitable for our 3G pitch)
- Trainers – one pair suitable for inside and outside use (these must be clean for indoor use)
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The school has a range of sanctions and will use them for persistent uniform infringements.

What you will need

Nearly all subjects need a pen and pencil. Some need other equipment or textbooks, material or kit. Each night make sure you prepare all of your equipment ready for the next day.

- Pen – cartridge or roller ball type, blue or black
- Pencils – normal and coloured
- Rubber eraser
- Pencil sharpener
- Geometry equipment (as recommended by the Maths Department)
- Calculator, the Maths department recommends Casio FX-83GTX or Casio FX-83GTCW
- Pocket sized Oxford English Dictionary
- Glue stick

Please make sure everything is clearly named.



What you will study

Your timetable for each year will be explained to you in September. In Years 10 and 11 you will work towards formal Key Stage 4 qualifications; you will be able to choose some of your own subjects to fit in with your own skills and abilities and with your future career hopes.

In Years 10 and 11 you will be working for GCSE Key Stage 4 and you will be able to choose some of your own subjects to fit in with your own skills and abilities and with your future career hopes.

The most important thing to remember is that you are here at school to learn. You will probably do better in some subjects than others and enjoy some lessons more than others but we expect you to try your best at all times.

If you are really finding it hard to understand or to keep up with the work, please talk to your subject teachers about it - the teacher is there to help. You may prefer to discuss any difficulties with your Form Tutor. Both your Tutor and your Head of Year will be happy to talk with you about study problems - or about any other kind of problem related to school.

Remember too, that only you can do the learning. Teachers will guide and instruct and encourage you, but they cannot learn for you. To help develop the skills of study, they will sometimes set projects or 'assignments' which you will have to plan and complete yourself. You will find that using the School Library is helpful. The Library is an information centre and, as well as books has computer facilities, magazines and a photocopier.

In Year 7 you will receive three Progress Review reports and have one parents' evening in the Summer Term. During your first term there will also be a "Meet the Form Tutor Evening" to discuss how you have settled in.

You may use the Library during any lunchtime, or at break as well as after school until 5.00 p.m. on Monday to Thursday and 4.00 pm on Friday evening.

Homework

Regular homework will be set throughout Year 7. Homework will include a range of tasks across subject areas including written work, research and investigation, private reading, literacy tasks and revision.

Homework is an important part of your learning and helps develop the ability to study on your own without a teacher.

Lunches

There is a wide range of foods/meals available for you during the school day. Our Café opens from 8.00 am each morning to provide breakfast and appropriate snacks before school and a full range of food is available during break in the Main Hall. Year 7 have their lunch in the Main Hall, whilst other year groups will have their lunches in the Restaurant. Food can only be consumed in these areas – you must not eat in your Form Room or around the school building at any time. Meals are bought by means of a cashless card catering system, which will be explained to you when you arrive at the school.

The payment cards will be issued to Year 7 pupils in September and can be credited by means of using the ParentPay system. As a guide a hot meal and dessert will cost approximately £3.10 each day. The Sixth Form Café will be open until 5.00 p.m. for students to purchase snacks and drinks after school.

If your parents think you may qualify for free school lunches, please see your Head of Year, who will explain the system to you.

Alternatively, you may bring sandwiches for lunch but you must eat them in the designated place.

If you are attending a lunch time club early lunch passes are available from the member of staff running each club.

CHEWING GUM IS FORBIDDEN IN SCHOOL

Journeys to and from School

If you come to school by car, your parents must not drive into either the front car park or Bede car park, which is crowded with staff cars and buses. Also, please do not ask them to drop you or pick you up in Oatlands Drive itself - use the side roads instead. If your parents visit the school, they must only park where permitted - not in places where double yellow lines indicate "No Parking".

If you wish to cycle to school, make sure that your bicycle is safe and properly maintained and in winter wear some high visibility items so that you can be easily seen by drivers. **It is strongly advised that you wear a safety helmet.**

The school cannot be responsible for your bicycle while it is on school premises and you are advised to lock it in the bicycle shed and have it insured.

It is recommended that children needing to cross Oatlands Drive use the Pelican Crossing provided outside the main entrance.

Bus Travel

There are a number of school bus services available for pupils travelling to and from St Aidan's. The bus companies that operate these routes do so independently of St Aidan's and therefore any queries regarding the routes themselves should be directed to the company that operates the route.

Details of the routes are available on the transport page of the school website. Please note that these are subject to change and that the bus operators hold the most up to date relevant detail.

Pupils who travel by bus are expected to behave responsibly as a member of the school at all times.

Behaviour and Expectations

Everyone attending St Aidan's has a right to expect a well-ordered, caring environment that encourages them to do their best. This can only be achieved when everyone accepts their obligation to the ethos of the school and in particular to each other. The following are codes of behaviour for lessons and around the school.

- School is the place to come to work. Make sure you always do your best.
- Do not prevent others from learning. Listen to teachers and other students.
- In lessons do not call out or interrupt.
- Be punctual to lessons, enter teaching areas when requested and settle quietly to the task in hand.
- Remember to bring all necessary equipment to each lesson.
- Complete all work and homework on time.
- Do not abuse your homework diary or other school books.
- Treat one another with politeness, courtesy and respect.
- Do not use language which is abusive, offensive or rude.
- Think about your safety and that of others.
- Wear the correct school uniform.

Drugs

The school is strongly opposed to the misuse of all kinds of drugs, including cigarettes, vapes and alcohol, by any member of the school community. The Governors and staff are determined to keep the St Aidan's environment free of illegal substances. You and your parents should be aware that the School will not tolerate, under any circumstances, the use of, or the supply of, illegal substances wherever it has a remit. Therefore, anyone involved in any way with illegal substances will automatically face a Governors' hearing to determine whether they have any future at St Aidan's.

Who you can talk to in School

If something is worrying you it is well known that this can affect your learning and happiness in school. Talking does help and below are a number of people you can speak to in school about any concerns you may have:-

Form Tutors

You can speak to your Form Tutor about any worries including school work, homework and friendship issues.

Subject Teachers

If you have any specific concerns about an academic subject, you could discuss this with your Subject Teacher in the first instance.

Head of Year

Your Head of Year is responsible for your welfare whilst you are at school. You may talk with them about any academic, social and family concerns you may have and your Head of Year is able to provide a referral to the schools' counsellor as appropriate. To contact your Head of Year, go to their office or leave a message at Reception.

Medical Room Staff

We have a medical team in school. Their role in school is to look after your medical needs, whether physical or emotional. The team are able to deal with any medical emergencies and illnesses whilst you are in school. There are also a number of staff trained to administer First Aid when you are off site on school trips.

Independent Learning Centre

The team in the Independent Learning Centre (ILC) are available for you to speak to in school. The mentors are there to support you with a wide range of academic concerns and with emotional wellbeing.

If you feel you want to email rather than talk directly use the wellbeing@staidans.co.uk email and you will be contacted by the most appropriate person in school.



Medical Needs and Information

Medical Needs

Some pupils with long-term and complex medical conditions may require on-going support, medicines or care whilst at school to help them manage their condition and keep them well. St Aidan's Policy on Medical Conditions and all documents mentioned below are available on the school website, or can be requested from the nurse at school.

- For pupils with moderate to severe asthma, or moderate to severe allergic reactions, parents should download the appropriate care plan from the website and send the completed copy into school for the attention of the nurse. Our Allergy Policy is available on the school website.
- For other long term or complex medical conditions please contact the nurse if you feel an Individual Healthcare Plan would be appropriate. An Individual Healthcare Plan and care plans for specific medical conditions are available from the website.

Medication

If your child requires medication whilst at school – either to self-administer or for school to administer their own prescribed medication, these forms are available from the website.

- Medicines should only be administered at school when it would be detrimental to a child's health or school attendance not to do so.
- Where clinically possible, medicines should be prescribed in dose frequencies which enable them to be taken outside school hours.

School can only accept medicines that are in-date, labelled, provided in the original container as dispensed by a pharmacist and include instructions for administration, dosage and storage.

Emergency salbutamol inhalers in schools

The Government has issued new guidance on the use of emergency salbutamol inhalers in schools. The emergency salbutamol inhaler should only be used by children, for whom written parental consent for use of the emergency inhaler has been given, who have either been diagnosed with asthma and prescribed an inhaler, or who have been prescribed an inhaler as reliever medication. The consent form is available on the school website.

Please sign and return all medical documents marked for the attention of the nurse, Mrs Powell.

If you are unwell in school

If you feel unwell or have an accident tell a teacher straight away. Normally, you will be accompanied by another pupil to the Medical Room, where the Nurse will care for you and she will determine if you should either be collected by your parent and taken home or are returned to classes. Should you require hospital attention, your parents will be informed and you will be escorted by a member of staff.

Absence from School

If you are absent from school because of illness, **your parent/carer must telephone the school (01423 885814) or email attendanceofficer@staidans.co.uk on the first morning of your absence to explain why you are away.** If we are not notified on the first day parents/carers will be contacted. The School's Attendance Officer will check Registers regularly. The School's preference is that all appointments can be made outside school hours, but if your parents need to take you out of school for any reason (for example, to go to the Doctor or Dentist) they must send a letter to explain this. You must then obtain permission to leave at the right time, making sure you sign out in the book kept at Reception, signing in again at Reception when you return. Pupils in Years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 are not allowed out of school at any time without special permission from parents and their Head of Year.

We ask parents that only emergency medical appointments should be made during the school day, routine dental examinations and orthodontist adjustments should be scheduled for either before or after school or during school holidays. Please make your dental practitioner aware for your next appointment.

Family Holidays in Term Time – The Government has issued regulations which do not allow schools to sanction holidays during term time other than for exceptional circumstances.

Clubs and Activities

Many different clubs and activities take place in school at lunchtime and after school. Notices will be displayed in corridors, in Department areas and in your Form Room, giving times and places of the various activities and facilities which are available to you.

These were some of the activities and clubs available to Year 7 pupils last year:-



Art Group



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Reading Club



Wellbeing



Coding Club



Chess



History Club



Science Clubs



Creative Writing



Drama



Eco Club



Musical Groups



Train Club



Sports Clubs (tennis, football, gymnastics, basketball, badminton, running, netball, crickets, rounders)

All take place regularly throughout the year and we do hope that you will feel able to join one or more of these activities.

Other events are announced during the term and you may also use your Form Room or the Library to do homework. There are some outdoor playing spaces, Year 7 use the Junior Playground and the fields can be used, weather permitting.



Trips

You will have the opportunity to participate in a number of educational trips and visits throughout your time at St Aidan's. You are reminded that places on trips are always conditional on your good behaviour at school and that the same high standards of behaviour expected at school are required on trips.

We regard the trips as being of extreme value to staff and pupils alike. Various social activities are arranged and the pupils benefit from shared experiences. They are supervised by the staff for the majority of the trip but will be allowed some free time when appropriate.





The School Website

The school's website www.staidans.co.uk is a detailed, comprehensive, and constantly updated source of information for all pupils and their parents. Information about department extra-curricular activities, letters and contact details are just some of the areas on the site. Take a look! This is also where you will find term dates and school calendar.

HealthZone

There is an area on the School's Website called HealthZone; this provides an essential reference point for all the knowledge you need about your health, where to look for help and advice in school, locally and on the Internet.

It supports the work we do in lessons, assemblies and form period. It is designed to help you become a successful citizen of the future, someone who takes his or her physical, emotional and spiritual health really seriously.



St Aidan's Computer Network

We believe that the benefits to students in the form of information resources and opportunities for collaboration exceed any disadvantages. In School, teachers will monitor and guide pupils towards appropriate materials. Outside School, families bear the same responsibility for such guidance.

When a student successfully logs into their school account on a school PC, the application 'Microsoft Teams' will automatically open. 'Microsoft Teams' is a platform where students can access resources for each of their classes, homework assignments and general advice and information.

Students who use the Internet are made aware that use of the Internet is monitored closely at all times. A record is kept of all sites visited by each individual user, enabling the Network Administrator to show who accessed which site, from which machine and when it was accessed.

It is forbidden to use the School facilities for the following:

1. Trespassing into other users' folders, work or files,
2. Plagiarising others' work i.e. copying or pasting without noting the source,
3. Use a username or password other than your own,
4. Accessing chat rooms or lines (entering into direct dialogue),
5. Accessing sites that the School would regard as unacceptable (if in doubt ask a member of staff for advice),
6. Playing games or bringing games into school from home,
7. Attempting to install software on any computer,
8. Transmitting obscene material,
9. Using vulgarities, swearing or other inappropriate language,
10. Accessing the Internet outside recognised hours (8.00 am to 5.00 pm),
11. Placing copyrighted mp3 files onto the network,
12. Attempting to access system settings or circumvent security features,
13. Taking images of staff or students during online teaching.

We would also expect you to avoid:

- downloading large files, which would slow down Internet access;
- printing unnecessary material – printing is costly. Excessive printing will be monitored.

Failure to observe the School guidelines will result in a temporary or permanent ban on Internet and, perhaps, Network use. Persistent or extreme misuse may lead to exclusion and, if applicable, the Police or Local Authorities may become involved. Parents will be advised at each of these stages.

In lessons, students can access the Internet using the browser 'Microsoft Edge'. The icon for 'Microsoft Edge' can be found on the desktop screen. When opened, the student will see a shortcut folder in the top left-hand corner labelled 'St. Aidan's Links' which features links to St. Aidan's school website and the students email account.

The aim of using the Internet is to further educational goals and objectives. However, it is possible that a determined student may try to access unsuitable material. Unacceptable areas of the Internet are those that lead to obscene, racist, extremist or violent material.

St. Aidan's employs a sophisticated filter that should prevent students accidentally viewing any such materials. It will identify those students who attempt to access unsuitable sites. Real-time monitoring software is used to view on-screen activity. PLEASE READ THE GUIDELINES.

Insurance

The School does not have a policy to cover your personal belongings (this includes mobile phones). This is why you are discouraged from bringing mobile phones, iPods, digital cameras and hand held electronic games etc into school.

Mobile Phones

If you bring a mobile phone to school it will need to be switched off and kept out of sight during the school day. Phones must not be used during the school day and never during lessons. If you use your phone inappropriately during the day it will be confiscated until the end of the school day. If you carry a mobile phone it is your responsibility and you must look after it carefully.

Lost Property

It is the responsibility of pupils to look after their uniform and the school cannot be responsible for any items lost. As such please ensure that all items of uniform are clearly named as this can help mislaid items find their way back to owners.

If an item of uniform does become misplaced pupils are advised to check the bag racks by the Geography corridor as this is where lost items that happen to be found will be placed.

Finally

St Aidan's is a happy and successful school, which we hope you will be proud to belong to. If you have any difficulty settling in, or need help at any time, please talk to your Form Tutor or Head of Year. The Nurse is also available to discuss problems. Your parents are free to come into school, by appointment, to discuss any matter with the Head of Year or a member of the Senior Leadership team.

What do I do if...

What if I can't do my homework?	See your subject teacher straight away.
What if I am late to school?	Go to Main Reception and sign the late book.
What if I lose something?	Check the bag racks by the Geography corridor.
What if I can't do PE?	Bring a letter or a note in your planner to say why, signed by your parents.
What if I forget my packed lunch?	You will not go hungry! You will be able to use your catering card and get a school lunch (even if you need a small loan).
What if I forget my PE kit?	The PE department are normally able to provide you with spare kit.
What if I forget my books?	Your subject teacher will provide you with a piece of paper for that lesson.
What if I have problems?	See your Form Tutor, Head of Year, the nearest teacher, or you may wish to go to see the School Nurse.
What if I am absent?	Your parent/carer needs to telephone school on the first day you are absent and then complete the tear off section in your planner for you to hand to your Form Tutor when you return.
What if I forget my network pass-word?	See the IT technician or your ICT teacher.
What if I bring money or valuables to school?	You are advised not to bring valuables into school. You are responsible for all valuables.
What if I bring my bike to school?	Leave it in the bike shed locked up.
What if I am not very happy?	Talk to your Form Tutor or your Head of Year.
Where do I go on my first day?	Go to Main Reception where your teachers will be waiting to greet you.

Parents' Evenings and Progress Reviews

There will be several points in the year where the school will provide feedback about how your child is progressing.

1. Meet the form tutor - In the first half term there will be an opportunity to meet with your child's form tutor to discuss how they have settled in.
2. Progress Review 1 – In the second half term we email a report home which uses the schools' CODE for learning system to report on your child's attitude to learning in particular the 'Community' and 'Organisation' aspects of CODE (see below). Despite the name, we don't report on the academic progress your child has made at this point, the main focus is on how they have settled into life at secondary school.
3. Progress Review 2 – In the first half term after Christmas You will receive your first full Progress Review. This will report on the academic progress your child has made and their attitude to learning (CODE).
4. Parents' Evening – In the first half term after Easter. You will have the opportunity to speak to your child's teachers at parents' evening. Students will be expected to organise appointments on your behalf with members of staff nearer the time.
5. Progress Review 3 – In last half term of the year you will receive a final Progress Review, reporting on the progress your child has made over the year.

Throughout the school, we use our CODE for learning to report on student's attitude to learning. The poster on the next page explains the four different aspects of CODE 'Community', 'Organisation', 'Determination' and 'Enterprise'. On the progress reviews your child will be adjudged to be either 'Good', 'Very Good' or 'Outstanding' for these different aspects. In some cases a teacher may report that a particular aspect 'Requires improvement' or that there is 'Cause for concern'.

Most students should receive 'Good' it is very rare to receive 'Outstanding'.

Further information about our reporting system will be given at the Key Stage 3 Information Evening in the Autumn Term.



St Aidan's Foundation Group

CODE for learning

We all belong to the St Aidan's community.

At St Aidan's:

C

Community

- we speak kindly to each other
- we share the things we use in class
- we take it in turns to speak or to have a go at something

O

Organisation

- we know what we need to bring for each lesson
- we are ready to learn at the start of lessons
- we bring in our homework on time

D

Determination

- we listen carefully to the teacher and to each other
- we concentrate on our work
- we work hard in class

E

Enterprise

- we work independently when we can
- we take care of our equipment
- we ask questions about our work

Term Dates 2023-2024

2023

Monday	4th September	Start of Autumn Term (Training Day)
Tuesday	5th September	Year 7 & 12 Pupils return to school
Wednesday	6th September	Years 8-11 & 13 Pupils return to school
Friday	13th October	Training Day
Saturday	28th October	Half Term begins
Monday	6th November	Return after Half Term
Saturday	23rd December	Christmas Holidays begin

2024

Monday	8th January	Start of Spring Term (Training Day)
Tuesday	9th January	PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL
Saturday	10th February	Half Term begins
Monday	19th February	Return after Half Term
Saturday	23rd March	Easter Holidays begin
Monday	8th April	PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL
Monday	6th May	May Day Bank Holiday
Saturday	25th May	Half Term begins
Monday	3rd June	Return after Half Term
Friday	28th June	Training Day
Friday	19th July	LAST DAY OF TERM FOR STUDENTS
Monday	22nd July	Training Day

Staff Training Days

Monday	4th September 2023
Friday	13th October 2023
Monday	8th January 2024
Friday	28th June 2024
Monday	22nd July 2024



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