MIDDLEWICH HIGH SCHOOL

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28th August 2024

Dear Parents / Carers

I hope you're all enjoying a restful summer break. I'm thrilled to share that Middlewich has achieved its best GCSE results in many years. This success clearly demonstrates that when students attend school regularly and commit to their learning, together, we can achieve excellence.

I am writing to remind you of the dates and times for the start of term and am extremely excited to welcome all students back for the start of the academic year.

Return to School
Wednesday 4th September **8.35am** – all year groups.

All year groups will have extended tutor time on their return to enable the students to reconnect or meet their new tutor so they can be supported to make the best start possible to the new school year.

Year 7 students will have their photos taken on Wednesday 4th September.

School Uniform
As the start of the new academic year will soon be upon us, it's a useful time to check that students are prepared and organised for a successful start by having the correct uniform and equipment:
- Grey Blazer with school badge (purchased through SWI)
- Black school trousers, tailored in style and not jeans or skinny fit. Leggings are not allowed.
- Students may also wear the school grey skirt (purchased through SWI)
- A white shirt with top button to collar in a standard style
- A school tie with silver and blue stripe (purchased through SWI)
- Black tights or black/white socks.
- Black leather type shoes (not boots or training shoes). No dangerous high heels or canvas footwear will be allowed. It should be noted that reasonably robust school shoes are desirable for safety reasons. (acceptable shoes can be found on the website)
- School jumper (optional). This does NOT replace the blazer but can be worn underneath it.

Student PE kit
All students in Year 7-11 must wear the school PE kit as detailed on the school website. All jewellery (earrings and watch) must be removed for PE lessons and sporting events.

Jewellery/Nails
Students will only be permitted to wear one plain stud in each ear lobe and a watch. Any jewellery worn (apart from one earring in each ear lobe) will be confiscated and returned to students at the end of the day. Please be reminded that false nails are not permitted and will need to be removed before returning to school.

Mobile phone
A reminder that mobile phones are not to be used within school. If your child chooses to bring a mobile phone to school, it must be switched off and placed in their school bag. Any phone seen will be confiscated and returned at the end of the day.

School Bag
Students are required to have a **school bag** (not a plastic bag), which will contain their school equipment: a pencil case including: Black/Blue Pen, Pencil and Rubber and Scientific calculator.

School Day
Please see below the timing of the school day:
Please note that Breakfast Club in the canteen is open __from 8:00am__, Monday to Friday during term-time.

TIMES	LESSONS
08:30	School Gates Open
08:35 – 08:40	*Movement to Tutor Rooms*
08:40 – 09:00	Tutor Time
09:00 – 09:05	*Movement Time*
09:05 – 10:05	Lesson 1
10:05 – 10:10	*Movement Time*
10:10 – 11:10	Lesson 2
11:10 – 11:25	Break (15 minutes)
11:25 – 11:30	*Movement Time*
11:30 – 12:30	Lesson 3
12:30 – 12:35	*Movement Time*
12:35 – 13:35	Lesson 4
13:35 – 14:05	Lunch (30 minutes)
14:05 – 14:10	*Movement Time*
14:10 – 15:10	Lesson 5

Attendance Letter

As you know, attendance is a key focus for both our school and the Department of Education. Please find attached a letter outlining the key changes to our attendance policy.

My team at Middlewich and I are excited to continue building on our positive culture and to pursue the exciting opportunities we have planned for both in and beyond the classroom this year.

I hope you all enjoy the rest of your summer break and are looking forward to the start of the new school year.

Yours thankfully

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