

RETURN TO SCHOOL (SENIOR SCHOOL)

7 August 2020

INFORMATION FOR SENIOR PUPILS AND PARENTS FOR THE START OF TERM

We hope you are having an enjoyable summer; the following information will be useful to you for the first day of term, Thursday 20 August 2020.

1. Where do I go? Please arrive at the Academy as per the Morning Arrival Plan.

You will be required to pass through a Temperature Check Tent on arrival. This will involve being asked to stand about 1m in front of a scanner for about 1 second. When you have had your temperature taken you will receive a ticket, which you should keep and hand in to your Form Tutor. If you don't have a ticket, your Form Tutor will ask you to go back outside to have your temperature taken. On the first day everyone should head straight to their Form Tutor Room after having their temperature taken.

Your Head of Year will be in touch next week to confirm your Form Tutor Group and the location of your Form Tutor Room. New pupils will be given the opportunity to visit the campus in advance to orientate themselves and meet a few teachers. Full details of 'New Pupil Orientation' can be found here.

Your time-table and lots of other important information about how school will operate for you, will be given out during this initial Form Tutor time.

Parents are reminded that no cars should be driven into the grounds at any time during the school day. Parents are asked, where possible, to drop pupils away from the immediate vicinity of the school. Mylne Avenue Carpark is a 'drop and go' zone for Senior pupils.

2. What do I wear? Full uniform and appearance expectations can be found here.

3. What should I bring with me?

- Basic Stationery
- Re-fillable water bottle
- Any school books and resources to return to school.
- A mask or face covering (no logos or slogans), personal hand sanitiser, tissues, gloves and alcohol wipes. You will not be required to wear a mask or face covering in school (except in exceptional circumstances) but may do so if you wish.

4. What happens at break and lunchtime?

- Full details of break and lunch-time routines, as well as the dining hall provision can be found here.
- You will not be allowed downtown
- Local shops will be taking pre-orders and distributing on site details will follow soon about this
- Our dining hall will be offering a limited menu (3 x hot meals and 3 x cold meals)
- You should bring a packed lunch if you have a lunch-time co-curricular activity

5. What happens at the end of the day?

Once again parents are requested to park away from the Academy grounds if possible and arrange to pickup your child away from the immediate vicinity of the school site. The Mylne Avenue Carpark can be used to pick-up Senior pupils.

6. What happens if I take a bus?

- Please refer to whole school transport arrangements regarding buses.
- Face masks are required for all buses.
- Tracksuits must be worn on the bus if boarding after co-curricular games.

8. When will co-curricular clubs start?

- It is likely that co-curricular hockey and rugby will commence almost straight away.
- The rest of the co-curricular programme will be finalised during the first few weeks as guidelines, facilities and staffing are agreed.

We believe in adopting a staggered approach to introducing the clubs to allow pupils to settle into their new classroom routines. This will be of particular importance this session as we adjust to new guidelines in all aspects of daily life which may impact on the range of clubs we can offer. Please bear with us.

10. How do I contact the school?

- By telephone to the main school number (01259 742511) for anything urgent or immediate eg change of pick up plans.
- By email to guidance@dollaracademy.org.uk.
- Increasingly, communication is going via email so it is vital that we have the correct email address for you.
- On occasion we do have to telephone you so please ensure we have the correct mobile telephone number on which we can always reach you.
- Please keep a close eye on the website and social media for any updates.

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