



Archbishop Tenison's

CHURCH OF ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

As in previous years, we are writing to let you know about the plans for the return to school after the summer holiday in September and to give you good notice in advance of how this will be organized. Since the recent pandemic we have seen the benefit of a staggered start, allowing us to give each year group a purposeful and apt induction to the next phase of their educational journey.

We hope this whole school overview of the return in September is useful for now, containing as it does the key dates. Before the start of the Autumn Term you will receive a year-specific letter with more details of what will happen in practice.

As you will see from the grid overleaf, the pattern for each year group will be as follows: (1) to come in first for an Induction Day (or Induction Morning /Afternoon). (2) Lessons will then begin on their second day in school. (3) Beginning of term services will be held as soon as possible in the first week.

From Friday, 30th August until Wednesday, 4th September the focus will be on providing each year group with its own induction. This means that we can give our full attention to each year group on the first occasion they are in school - and avoid lessons starting without the normal teacher available, when he/she is a Form Tutor elsewhere. We can make sure that everyone knows fully how things will work and that we can proceed without further distractions once lessons do begin. We can also prioritise the new Year 7 and Year 12.

We also look forward to meeting you in person at the Year Group Presentation Evenings to be held during the first weeks of the term. Previously we have held Information Evenings for Parents and Carers at the start of the year and Presentation Evenings for each year group towards the end of the academic year. This year we thought we would try a new approach, combining the two things into one evening, which will aim to take the best of both and still last not much more than an hour. The days and times for these Evenings are also set out overleaf.

Either Mr Koramoa or Miss Akanho will write to you later with more details about the start of term. In the meantime, please raise any queries with your child's Head of Year.

Yours sincerely

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OVERVIEW OF THE FIRST WEEK OF THE AUTUMN TERM AND KEY DATES

From Thursday 29th August 2024

Day	Year Group	Focus
Thursday 29 th August	No pupils in school	Staff Development Day
Friday 30 th August	Year 7 (8.40am-2.45pm)	School Induction Day
	Year 12 (8.45am-2.45pm)	Sixth Form Induction Day
	Year 13 (12.15pm-2.45pm)	Induction Afternoon
Monday 2 nd September	Year 7 (8.40am-2.25pm)	Lessons start
	Year 10 (8.45am-11.45am)	Induction Morning
	Year 11 (12.15pm-2.25pm)	Induction Afternoon
	Sixth Form (8.45am-2.25pm)	Start of Term Service (8.45am at St. Matthew's) followed by lessons ending at 2.25pm
Tuesday 3 rd September	Year 7 (8.40am- 3.10pm)	Lessons continue
	Year 8 (8.45am-11.45am)	Induction Morning
	Year 9 (12.15pm-3.15pm)	Induction Afternoon
	Year 10 and Year 11 (8.45am-3.15pm)	Lessons and Start of Term Service (during Period 1)
	Sixth Form (8.45am start)	Lessons continue
Wednesday 4 th September	Year 7 (8.45am-3.10pm)	Start of Term Service (at 8.45am at St. Matthew's in Chichester Road) followed by lessons
	Year 8 and 9 (8.45am-3.15pm)	Lessons start
	Year 10, 11 and Sixth Form (8.45am-3.15pm)	Lessons continue
Thursday 5 th September	Year 7 (8.40am-3.10pm)	Lessons continue
	Year 8 and 9	Lessons and Start of Term Service (during Period 1)
	Year 10, 11 and Sixth Form (8.45am-3.15pm)	Lessons continue
Friday 6 th September	All year groups	Lessons continue
	(Year 7 8.40am-3.10pm and all other year groups 8.45am-3.15pm)	

Information Evening/Presentation Evenings

Date	Year Group	Information
Tuesday 24 th September 6pm -7.30pm	Year 8	Information Evening/Presentation Evening
Wednesday 18 th September 6pm – 7.30pm	Year 9	Information Evening/Presentation Evening
Wednesday 25 th September 6pm – 7.30pm	Year 10	Information Evening/Presentation Evening
Thursday 26 th September 6pm – 7.30pm	Year 11	Information Evening/Presentation Evening