



July 2020

Information for parents/carers

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope your child enjoyed the recent visit to school this week and it was lovely to meet all the pupils and get to know a little bit more about them. I hope they are looking forward to starting Year 7 and feel reassured that they will be well supported in their transition. Clearly, the start of term will look a little different and pupils will be placed into a Year 7 group 'bubble' for all their lessons. There will be certain restrictions on the areas pupils will be able to access throughout the day but we will do our utmost to minimise disruption and make the transition back into school as smooth as possible. Amidst any changes, the safety and wellbeing of our staff and pupils is of paramount importance and the Government has recently issued guidance which we will abide with to ensure our staff and pupils remain safe whilst on the school site.

Since lockdown the school has remained open for critical worker pupils so we are already well practised in working under new circumstances. There will be additional signage in and around school, hand sanitising stations in every room, disinfectant sprays and additional cleaning to ensure the safety of staff and pupils at all times. I would ask that you go through the details which follow with your child and ensure that they understand our expectations and their responsibilities.

Key points

If your child or anyone in your household, shows symptoms of COVID-19, you must all self-isolate in line with Government guidelines and not come to school. In addition, if your child has any flu like symptoms, we would ask that you keep them at home until the symptoms have passed.

If your child is using public transport or school buses to get to and from school, s/he must wear a mask or face covering. If this is a disposable face mask, please ensure that s/he has another one to use on any return journey. If they are using any other type of mask or face covering, pupils will also need a small plastic bag to store it during the school day. Please note that school does not have a supply of face masks available for students.

Arrangements for the first day

Pupils will need to be on the school site no later than 8.40am. If you are bringing your child to school, you must drive into the bottom bus lanes, ensure s/he gets out of the car safely and then leave the school site straightaway. Pupils will be met by staff and directed to their form rooms. Year 7 will be based in the **GREEN ZONE in the new Maths block**. All the form rooms and tutors are listed below.

Transition visit date	Form	Form tutor	Form room
Monday 13 th July 10.30am	7B	Ms A Osman	M45
Monday 13 th July 1.30pm	7L	Miss A Cassidy	M44
Tuesday 14 th July 10.30am	7T	Mrs L Hitchen	M43
Tuesday 14 th July 1.30pm	7O	Mrs F Carrington	M42
Wednesday 15 th July 10.30am	7N	Mr A Ormrod	M41
Wednesday 15 th July 1.30pm	7C	Mrs T Hamer	M15
Thursday 16 th July 10.30am	7H	Mrs A Evans	M16
Thursday 16 th July 1.30pm	7U	Mrs U Coleman	M14
Friday 17 th July 10.30am	7R	Mrs K Tennant	M12
Friday 17 th July 1.30pm	7S	Miss A Kothia	M11

Pupils will be placed in Year group 'bubbles' and will stay within a designated area for their lessons. Any movement to a specialised area such as Science or Technology will be done so by using a designated route to avoid mixing with another Year group bubble. Further information will be given about which entrances and exits must be used to get to specialist subjects during the first day.

The canteens will not be open for breakfast or break but pupils are allowed to bring a bottle of water and a snack to have at break time. Please note that single use plastic bottles are no longer allowed and you will need to provide your son/daughter with one of the environmentally friendly bottles that are widely available. Should your child be in receipt of free school meals and you are concerned about these arrangements, please contact school using the following email address pastoral@canon-slade.bolton.sch.uk to discuss the support that is available.

Pupils must wear full school uniform. Once they have received their timetables, you will be able to see when they have PE lessons. On those days, they should come to school in their PE kits but with the following restrictions.

- No shorts or skorts are to be worn. Instead, Canon Slade black leggings or Canon Slade tracksuit bottoms should be worn. If your son/daughter does not have either of these, plain black leggings are acceptable. Please note, they may not have mesh, coloured or transparent panels.
- Normal PE tops should be worn with blazer.
- Trainers should be worn.

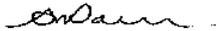
At the end of the day, those pupils who walk home or are collected will be dismissed between 3-3.15pm, followed by those who catch buses. Please note that if you are collecting your child, you will not be able to enter the school site so will need to make arrangements to meet them off site.

I am sure you will agree that it is vital for everyone's safety that pupils follow the guidance at all times. Any pupil who fails to follow the rules whilst on site, will be dealt with in line with the Behaviour and Discipline Policy and this may result in you being contacted and your son/daughter having to leave the school site.

It is important to note that should further guidance be received during the summer break, you will receive updates via email or the website. Please ensure that you check regularly for any additional information.

Thank you for your continued support and should you have any further queries, please do contact school.

Yours faithfully



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