

August 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

We hope that you are all having a relaxing and enjoyable summer break. We look forward to welcoming all students back after the break, and to starting the new school year in September. In this letter you will find information regarding the plans for the first week back for students and changes to key pastoral staff and house tutors.

First of all, as your child's Progress and Development Leader for Year 10, allow me to re- introduce myself. I am Ms O'Brien and I have been at Light Hall for six years. I teach KS3 IT and KS4 Business Studies. I am currently the Progress & Development Leader for Year 9 and I am so pleased to be continuing on with them in 2021-2022. Our new Pastoral Manager will be Mrs Heal, who will be joining us in September. I have already informed her that the year group is made up of superb students who have huge potential. We are fully prepared for our students commencing their GCSEs this year and we will offer both them and you as family members all the support and encouragement in order for them to achieve the best that they can.

Mrs Heal and I will be here to support you and your child's needs at Light Hall. In the first instance, please email Mrs Heal on iheal@lighthall.co.uk if you have any queries or concerns. We aim to respond to all emails or telephone calls within 48 hours.

Changes to house tutors are as below:

Form	House tutor	Supporting staff	Room
10 A VBR	Miss Brown/Ms Wyatt	Ex Miss Behreen	G04
10 A SWA	Mr Wainwright	With Miss Barrett	GO1
10 C KMR	Miss Morgan		204
10 C HLA	Mrs Latham	With Miss Davies	G03
10 D MSA	Miss Savva	With Mrs Hunter	C6
10 D MMU	Mrs Munn		A3
10 E KTO	Mrs Tongue/Miss Hills	Ex Miss Yorke	110
10 E ALW	Mrs Lawrence		E8



Covid-19 Precautions

We would like to reassure you that we are still taking measure to help combat the spread of Covid-19: we will aim to keep students in their separate year groups at break time and lunch times; the school will still operate a one way system in the larger buildings; and hand sanitiser will still be available in all classrooms.

The School Day

We would like to remind you that the school day begins at 8.40am. If your child arrives after this time, they will be sanctioned accordingly. Please help to support our high expectations of our students by ensuring your child arrives to school on time.

The school gates will open at 8.25am. At this time, students should make their way to their designated year group zone. Members of staff will be on hand to help guide students to the correct entrance as follows: Year 7 – the far Gandhi entrance, Years 8 and 11 – the main school gates between Gandhi and Churchill; Year 9 – the school gates between Aristotle and Churchill; Year 10 – the gates behind the sports hall in the staff car park.

School begins on Tuesday 7th September at 8.40am for Year 7s. School begins on Wednesday 8th September for Years 8-11 at 8.40am.

School Uniform and Standards

The school uniform remains the same. The policy is attached. We understand some parents are having some difficulties in acquiring all the uniform items from suppliers. Please get in touch with us if you are having difficulties. (office@lighthall.co.uk)

A reminder that Year 10 and 11 students wear the KS4 tie, which is different to the KS3 one. Please speak to the school suppliers who will guide you on this.

We would like to remind all parents/carers that mobile phones are not allowed in school. As per our policy on this, if a staff member sees a student using their mobile phone, they can confiscate the phone and hand it over to the front reception team who will lock it in a safe. Parents/carers are then responsible for collecting this from school.

If you have any queries on the above, or any in general, please contact us and we will be happy to help. Alternatively, our website holds all the most up to date information about school life and policies, so please use this resource too: www.lighthall.co.uk

We look forward to seeing you again in September.

Ms O'Brien

Progress and Development Leader for Year 10