

# 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, a particularly exciting one for our new Year 7s. In this letter you will find information regarding the plans for the first week back for students and details of key pastoral staff and house tutors.

First of all, as your child's Progress and Development Leader for Year 7, allow me to introduce myself. I am Miss Matthews and I have been at Light Hall for eight years. I teach Mathematics, and aside from taking on the Year 7s this year, I am also an Assistant Headteacher. I am very excited about getting to know the new year group. Whilst they may be apprehensive about starting this journey with us at Light Hall, they need to know that there is a great team of pastoral staff here ready to welcome them and support them. Joining me in leading the year group is Miss Morgan, who is also new to the school this year. Her role is Pastoral Manager for Year 7.

Miss Morgan and I will be here to support you and your child's needs at Light Hall. In the first instance, please email Miss Morgan on <a href="mailto:rmorgan@lighthall.co.uk">rmorgan@lighthall.co.uk</a> if you have any queries or concerns. We aim to respond to all emails or telephone calls within 48 hours.

The house tutors for Year 7 are as below:

Form	House tutor	Supporting staff	Room
7 A MRO	Mr Rogers		C17
7 A JHO	Mr Homer		MR1
7 C AAT	Miss Athar		E5
7 C GGA	Mr Gara		B2
7 D LBE	Mrs Bell-Bayliss		107
7 D EGA	Mrs Garcia		F3
7 E RRA	Mr Ramkhelawon	With Mrs Shabir	C10
7 E MDU	Mr Duffy		E6



### **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.

However, Year 7s should arrive at reception on their first day.

School begins on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September at 8.40am for Year 7s. School begins on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> 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)

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: <a href="https://www.lighthall.co.uk">www.lighthall.co.uk</a>

We look forward to seeing you in September.

### Miss L Matthews

Assistant Headteacher and Progress and Development Leader for Year 7