

27th August 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

NEW INTAKE 2020 – FINAL ARRANGEMENTS

It is almost time for your child to join us and we are very much looking forward to meeting them in person on **Thursday 3rd September**. We have sent vast amounts of information to you over the last few months which I am sure has been a lot to digest. This letter contains some of the key reminders for you and your child as well as some further information regarding the co-curricular provision.

COVID-19 guidance

- Please ensure you have reviewed all of our information regarding how the school will be operating under the COVID-19 guidelines. All of this information is on our website in the parent section under [school re-opening](#).
- It is vital that you do not send your child to school if they, or anyone in their household, is displaying symptoms of COVID-19. Please contact the school by phone or e-mail if you have any queries regarding this.

School day timings

- Students can arrive at school anytime from 8am onwards and must arrive no later than 8.40am as the first session begins at 8.45am.
- On a Monday and Friday school will finish at 3pm. Some students may want to opt into our co-curricular provision on a Monday and/or Friday which will finish at 4pm.
- On Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday school will finish at 4pm.

First day arrangements

- The latest government guidance asks schools to encourage students to walk or cycle to school if possible. We also strongly recommend that students walk or cycle to school to avoid a build-up of cars and movement of people on the roads surrounding school. Please see page 9 of our [information booklet](#) for more detailed guidance.
- Year 7 students will use the front entrance in order to arrive at school. Parents/carers will not be permitted onto the school site on foot and staff will be available to support the children at the front gate.
- Parents/carers are welcome to use our car park to drop children off, but we ask that you do not leave your vehicle.
- Students should be in full school uniform and bring all of their stationery to school with them every day.
- Students will not need their PE kit on their first day. Students will need to check their individual timetable to identify the days on which PE kit will be required.
- On their first day, students will spend tutor time and period 1 with their form tutor. During this time students will be issued with their school timetable and carry out some activities to get to know their class.
- Throughout the first day we will be taking photographs in order to generate student cards. This is likely to take a few days and we are aiming for students to have their new card by the end of Friday.

Meals

- As stated in our re-opening booklet we are not able to offer students breakfast. Students can bring in a snack and drink of their choosing to consume at morning break.
- For lunch, students can bring their own packed lunch or use our restaurant facilities to purchase a school lunch. Menus are available on the school website but do occasionally change from what is published. Please ensure that your child's Wisepay account has been topped up with adequate funds.
- Students must bring adequate water or low-sugar soft drink to consume throughout the day at break and lunchtime.

Co-curricular provision

We have enclosed a programme of our after-school provision that will be available for Year 7 students on a Monday and Friday. The booking system will not be 'live' until students are on roll with us next week. We will write to you with the details on how to book these sessions via our [parents evening system](#). In the meantime, please review what is on offer so that you are ready to book as soon as the bookings system opens. Here are some further details:

- Bookings must be made by the parent/carer.
- By booking the session you are agreeing to your child attending the session every week for Term 1. In the event your child is unable to attend please inform the school.
- Bookings must be made by Wednesday 9th September; the system will not accept any bookings made after that time. There are limited spaces in some clubs and these will be allocated on a first come first served basis.
- Students who are not booked on to a session will not be permitted to attend and will need to leave school at 3pm.
- Students attending will leave school at 4pm, please ensure that you have made arrangements with your child so that they know how to get home.

All communications that have been sent are available in the [new intake](#) section of our website. This will be available throughout September and it will then be archived. As a school, we carry out all of our communication electronically, so it is important that we are kept updated with any contact details such as e-mail or telephone numbers. Letters that are sent electronically will also be posted in the letters home section of the website if you ever need to review.

If you have any further questions please contact the school on enquiries@corbytechnicalschool.org.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs A Reynolds
Principal

Year 7 Co-curricular provision

MONDAY

Board games	Come along and test out your strategic thinking in a game of chess or have a go at some other traditional games.
Virtual Pony Club	Learn about how to keep a pony, about equestrian sports, and have the chance to design your own horse, silks and stables.
Lego Club	Develop your ability to follow plans and instructions to construct a commissioned piece in Lego.
Madhatters Book Club	Take part in reading and discussing books throughout the year. Includes book related activities, videos, and games.
Debate Club	Expand your critical thinking around current issues and build confidence sharing your ideas.
Relax Kids	Learn how to maintain a healthy body and mind, using mindfulness and other relaxation techniques.
First Aid	Learn the principles of basic first aid from our local CCF officer.
Words that shaped the world	An exploration into how words have been used by leaders, change makers and influential figures throughout history and in the present day.
Homework Club	An opportunity to use the computer suite to complete any homework that you have been set on Show My Homework.
Craft Club	Get crafty, trying out a range of new techniques to express your creativity.

FRIDAY

Code Club	Come along to use your programming skills to create a variety of software including computer games.
Music Tech Club	Learn how to create your own music tracks using Garage Band.
Sports	A variety of sporting activities depending on the weather!
Comic and Animanga Club	For those who enjoy reading comic books, graphics novels, and manga. Watch anime/comic adaptations & create your own comics.
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