

17 July 2024

Dear Parents/Carers and students,

Re: Arrangements for September 2024

As we reach the end of the academic year, I write to send my thanks for your hard work and support. We are rightly very proud of our students here at Hungerhill School. Their achievements and successes this year remind us of our core values in which we have given our all, to all.

Please join me in congratulating:

- Our Transition Team for their support of Year 6 students during transition week (and a special thank you to all the parents/carers for their lovely emails of gratitude). We very much look forward to welcoming our new Year 7 students in September.
- All the staff who have given up time in their own school holidays to escort our students out on trips both here in the UK and abroad.
- Miss Crowder and the Performing Arts team for all of their work on the school musical and the various Performing Arts evenings that have been hosted throughout the academic year.
- The PE department, who have held numerous events and visits, including extensive transition events for students from our cluster primary schools.
- Our lovely Year 7 students who have settled into the Hungerhill life so well.
- Our amazing Year 10 students for approaching the end of their first year of their GCSE studies with maturity and commitment.
- All our fantastic students and parents that have joined us for the awards ceremonies this year.

I could go on; the list is an impressive one and reminds us how lucky we are to have such a terrific school and community.

The summer holidays are nearly upon us, and we know parents/carers are already wanting to confirm plans for September. To support in the preparations for school life in the new academic year, please see details outlined below:

Monday 2 September – Training Day – School Closed to Students

Tuesday 3 September – School Opens to All Students – Please note that this is a staggered start – see timings below.

Year 7

N.B Year 7 students will require a packed lunch for day one until biometrics scanning has taken place on Tuesday 3 September 2024.

8.15am – Arrival

8.30am – Year 7 assembly in the exam hall followed by time with form tutors.



Year 11

9.55am – Arrival/Gates Open

10.00am – Year 11 Assembly in the exam hall followed by time with form tutors.

Year 8, 9 and 10

10.55am – Arrival (gates open)

11.10am – Time with form tutor in form rooms, these will be on display at the school gate. These year groups will have a welcome assembly during the day in the exam hall.

School Holidays – Term Dates Reminder 2024-2025 – [Hungerhill School - Calendar](#)

Training Days 2024-25

Monday 2 September 2024

Friday 15 November 2024

Monday 21 July 2025

Tuesday 22 July 2025

Wednesday 23 July 2025

Equipment Reminder

Students are expected to bring the following equipment to school each day – the bold items are a minimum expectation.

Pencil Case

Whiteboard Black Marker Pen

Black Pen x2

Sharpener

Purple Pen

Eraser

Pencil x2

Highlighter

Colouring Pencils

Glue Stick

Scientific Calculator

Black Fine Liner

Compass

Art Pencils

Protractor

Ruler

Small Headphones (earpiece style) AUX 3.5mm

Stereo Audio Cable

There will be daily checks with the Form Tutor for the correct equipment

Being prepared is the first step students can take to be successful and this should be prioritised. However, sanctions will be applied should a student come to school unprepared for learning.

School Uniform

The uniform requirements for 2024-2025 can be accessed via the school website. There are **no changes** with regards to uniform standards. However, please remind your child that:

School skirt: This must be the appropriate length (three fingers from the knee) and should not be rolled up at the waist. Please note that lycra skirts are not permitted. *Replacements will be provided for the school day.

Shoes: Please refer to the school website. Plain black shoes for all, no gold trims or boots allowed. Please note trainers, plimssoles or ballet shoes (Vivienne Westwoods) are not permitted. *Replacements will be provided for the school day and sanctions applied.

Piercings: No facial piercings to be worn – this includes tongue/mouth piercings. Any new piercings over the summer must be removed for the first day of the school term.

Eyelashes and nails: No false eyelashes and false/acrylic nails are to be worn. Any eyelashes or nails from the summer must be removed in time for the first day of the school term.



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Hair colour: Only natural shades of hair colour are suitable for school. Bright and vivid unnatural hair dyes will need to be corrected for the first day of the school term.

**Social time detentions will be issued for any student not following the school expectations until the student presents in line with the school standards.*

If you have any concerns about accessing the necessary uniform and/or stationary, please review the Trust's Financial Support Policy to see if you are eligible for support. Please click here for further details of how you can access pre-owned uniform: [Hungerhill School - Pre-owned Uniform & Stationery](#)

Attendance

Hungerhill School will continue with their attendance initiative 'Attend, Achieve, Succeed' with many rewards for excellent attendance in the new academic year.

Punctuality

Punctuality to school is essential, the school **gates will open at 08.15am and close at 08:35am** to ensure students have enough time to be seated in their form room for the **8.40am** bell. A member of Senior Leadership/Pastoral Team is present on the gate for all students to be welcomed on the premises. Any student arriving after this time is asked to report to the school reception where they will be issued with a same day detention of 30 minutes. Form time and assembly time are an essential part of the school day for students to be informed of events and receive pastoral support.

Behaviour Policy

There are no changes to the behaviour policy. We will continue to use the 'warn, move, remove' system and reward positive behaviour with core value points. The Behaviour Policy can be viewed here: [Hungerhill School - School Policies](#)

Home School Communication

Please be aware that all communication with home is via email/SIMS or Class Charts, please check regularly for any updates or letters.

Home School Agreement

Please see the document enclosed. It is important that you remind yourself of the agreement that you have signed when you enrolled your child at Hungerhill in Year 7.

Class Charts

We will continue to use Class Charts as our way of communicating positive and negative incidents with parents/carers. All students and parents should have access to this platform, should you need a new code then please contact us and we can share this with you. Class Charts is also our way of communicating detentions with parents. Parents of our new Year 7 students will receive more information about setting up their Class Charts accounts in September.

Site Safety Reminder

As parents/carers may be aware, the school has been working all year to try and resolve the health and safety concerns we have with regards to parental parking. We now have the safety fence surrounding the site, this enables the school to follow our safeguarding procedures. Parents/carers and students are no longer to enter the site via a vehicle; all students must be dropped outside of the gate barrier.



Some polite reminders for September to support this transition:

- You will need to use one of the intercoms located by one of the two pedestrian gates to call reception to gain access.
- When leaving the school site via the pedestrian gates, you will be required to press a button. Please ensure that the gate is closed when leaving the site.
- We advise that if you are dropping off or picking up your child, you do not use Hungerhill Lane as it can get quite congested. We advise using the available spaces along Thorne Road.

Staff Farewell

This is always a sad time of year as we say goodbye to colleagues. It is with a heavy heart that we say a fond farewell to our longstanding Headteacher, Mrs Pond. Mrs Pond has served as a teacher in the Hungerhill community for over 20 Years. She has touched the lives of so many students and staff, and she shall be missed by all. We wish her all the best in her new journey.

I want to thank the following members of staff for all their hard work and commitment throughout their career at Hungerhill School and wish them all the best for the future: Deputy Headteacher – Mr Storey, Mr Porter, Mrs Fenney, Mr Hardacre and Miss McGarry.

As we bid farewell to colleagues, it is also exciting that we have new staff joining us in September. I would like to offer a warm welcome to the following colleagues:

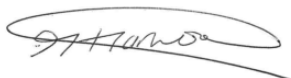
Mrs Crawford – Headteacher
Mrs Singleton – Assistant Headteacher
Mrs Lawson – Teacher of Music/Performing Arts
Mr Fletcher – Teacher of Geography
Mrs Bell – Teacher of Mathematics
Miss Irving – Teacher of Mathematics
Miss Taylor – Teacher of Mathematics
Mr Boucher – Cover Supervisor

The key pastoral contacts in school next year are:

Miss Harwood – Deputy Headteacher – Pastoral and Safeguarding
Mrs Wagstaff – Assistant Headteacher – Strategic Lead for Achievement and Inclusion
Miss Leach – Head of Year 7
Miss Hill – Head of Year 8
Mr Wenban – Head of Year 9
Mr King – Head of Year 10
Miss Archibald – Head of Year 11

We are looking forward to another successful year at Hungerhill and eagerly anticipate the return of all students on Tuesday 3 September.

Yours sincerely



Miss M Harwood
Deputy Headteacher



Home School Agreement

The school will:

- Provide praise and rewards consistently
- Provide aspirational goals bespoke to your child
- Provide a safe, welcoming environment which offers many opportunities for effective spiritual, moral, social and cultural development
- Provide a rich curriculum with a focus on high quality teaching where learning is lively and challenging
- Provide effective, further support for those who need additional help outside the classroom
- Ensure a positive climate for learning, characterised by excellent teacher-student relationships
- Provide regular and effective communication to help parents monitor their child's progress

A parent/carer will:

- Ensure my child attends school in all but exceptional circumstances, on-time and agree not to take my child out of school on holiday during term time
- Support the school's behaviour systems and encourage my child to adhere to them and support any interventions and sanctions placed upon them
- Contact the school if, for any reason, my child cannot attend
- Agree that the school's behaviour policies cover my child's journey both to and from school, while on a school trip and any time they are out in public in school uniform
- Agree that my child will abide by the school's uniform and mobile phones policies, which includes the confiscation of phones/devices
- Accept that there may be times when difficulties will arise in relation to my child's education and agree to discuss these matters with the school at the earliest opportunity to keep the school informed
- Endeavour to attend any parents' evenings, information evenings and other requested meetings with school
- Understand that, should I want to speak to a member of staff, I should initially make contact via the website, telephone or email and meetings will require an appointment
- Ensure that I check and sign my child's planner on a weekly basis and that, when a reply slip is requested, return it promptly
- Support my child with their home learning and encourage them to put in the required effort and maintain an active interest in their school life
- Work with the school over conflict in a positive manner away from social media

Parent's signature:

Headteacher's signature:.....

