



CLIFTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL

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HEADTEACHER: Mrs A Leng

Dear Parent/Carer,

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As we are approaching the end of this academic year, I'm writing to let you know details of when the new academic year will start in September. It's incredibly important to us that we give all of our students the best possible start to the academic year and as a result are inviting **Y7 and Y11 students only** to start the year on Friday 2nd September. This will give them and us the ability to set our expectations for the coming year, give them information specific to their year group and, for our new Y7 students, ensure they become familiar with the school site while there are fewer students around.

For Y7 students, this is the beginning of their journey to become able and qualified to play their part in an ever-changing world. For Y11 students, this is the beginning of the end of that journey.

On Friday 2nd September we will ensure that all of our Y7 students are ready and equipped to start that journey. They will learn about the Clifton Way and how this is embedded into everything that we do in our school. They will spend some time with their form tutors – someone who they will come to know and depend upon across the time they are with us. They will also begin their first lessons of their new timetable and will pick up on the work they will do during the last few weeks of this term.

For Y11 students, they will get straight to work on what is a hugely important year for them. They will be given information about the structure of the year, their timetable of assessments for the year and details of period 5 extra-curricular sessions to support their in-class learning.

So that we have a focussed start to the academic year, we expect students to arrive fully equipped to learn and in full school uniform. We take pride in our appearance at Clifton and this will ensure that all students get off to the best possible start. The school's uniform expectations can be found on our website <https://www.cliftonschoo.org/parents/uniform/>

As we've previously communicated, the school day will change from September with an adjustment to our curriculum to incorporate 20 minutes of dedicated reading time each day. We know how much impact regular reading has on academic attainment and because we are ambitious for all our students, we have made this ground-breaking change.

The structure of the day will look like this:

Timing	Period
8:45am – 9:00am	Registration
9:00am – 9:20am	Reading
9:20am – 10:35am	Period 1
10:35am – 11:50am	Period 2
11:50am – 12:20pm	1 st Break
12:20pm – 1:30pm	Period 3
1:30pm – 2:00pm	2 nd Break
2:00pm – 3:10pm	Period 4

As always, we will continue to communicate with you with further news and information up until the beginning of the summer break, culminating in our end of year newsletter.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's Head of Key Stage.

For current Y10 students, this is Mr Heathcote – pheathcote@cliftonschoo.org

For new Y7 students, this is Mr Mosley – amosley@cliftonschoo.org

Yours sincerely,

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