



# Carnforth High School

18<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian,

As the summer break approaches I know many of you will be getting things in place, ready for September. There are some important areas of focus that will be a high priority when the new school year begins.

## Uniform

When we return in September it is expected that students will have the highest standards of uniform. In particular, some areas of concern include the following:

- Trainers and canvas pumps (converse style trainers) are **not** appropriate for school. Students should be wearing formal shoes.
- Facial piercings are not allowed in school.
- Hoodies are not allowed in school.
- Hair colours need to be natural.
- Fake tan, false eyelashes and nail extensions need to be removed before students return.
- Skirts must be knee length, black pleated skirts.

In the Autumn term regular checks will be completed and a zero-tolerance approach will be taken in regard to uniform. Please see the school website for items to purchase and for more information on the standards expected. Our school shop has replacement items for sale through the school website at: <https://www.carnforthhighuniform.com/shop>

If you are unsure about the uniform policy for the next academic year you can find detailed information on the school website under 'key information'.

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## **Equipment**

In the Autumn Term, students will be expected to have the correct equipment when they return. Students are required to have the following items for school; black/blue pen, green pen, purple pen, pencil, ruler, whiteboard (pen and wiper), scientific calculator and their school bag. The school stationery shop has a number of these items available to order. We will also be opening the stationery shop again in school twice a week to enable students to top up their items. It would be helpful if students could check they have all the items in the list above before they return to school.

If you require support with providing students with the required equipment or uniform outlined in the parental handbook, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Year Leader.

## **Bus Travel**

Whilst there have been many successes and areas for celebration this academic year as the school returns to normal after the pandemic, one area in which there has been consistent challenges has been the use of the bus services by students travelling to and from school. There have been a number of complaints about student behaviour on the bus services, both by Stagecoach and by members of the public.

If your child chooses to use public transport to travel to and from school, please can you talk to him/her about what is expected. Poor behaviour on the bus service in particular, but also in the wider community when a child is wearing their uniform, it will be dealt with swiftly and in a rigorous manner. Stagecoach will ban students from travelling who persistently disrupt the service.

If your child loses their ticket or cannot access it on their mobile phone, Stagecoach can refuse travel. There have been an increasing number of students who have lost their ticket, or cannot access the ticket on their phone. Students need to ensure their ticket is kept safe and secure.

## **Year Leaders for The Academic Year 2022-23**

This year the school has invested heavily into our pastoral system, with three new Year Leaders in place for September. This ensures that all students in school can get the support that they need to be academically successful at Carnforth High School.

The pastoral team for September 22-23 is as follows:

**Mr J Fox** – Assistant Principal and Designated Safeguarding Lead [jfox@carnforthhigh.co.uk](mailto:jfox@carnforthhigh.co.uk)

**Miss L Leck** – Associate Assistant Principal for Behaviour [lleck@carnforthhigh.co.uk](mailto:lleck@carnforthhigh.co.uk)

**Mrs J Rogerson** – Year Leader for Year 11 [jrogerson@carnforthhigh.co.uk](mailto:jrogerson@carnforthhigh.co.uk)

**Ms E Cleasby** – Year Leader for Year 10 [ecleasby@carnforthhigh.co.uk](mailto:ecleasby@carnforthhigh.co.uk)

**Mrs T Reeves** – Year Leader for Year 9 [treeves@carnforthhigh.co.uk](mailto:treeves@carnforthhigh.co.uk)

**Miss S Murtagh** – Year Leader for Year 8 [smurtagh@carnforthhigh.co.uk](mailto:smurtagh@carnforthhigh.co.uk)

**Mrs C Walters** – Year Leader for Year 7 and Year 6 Transition [cwalters@carnforthhigh.co.uk](mailto:cwalters@carnforthhigh.co.uk)

The Pastoral Team look forward to welcoming all year groups back in September and are happy to help with any school related queries.

### **Medical Updates**

Over the past few weeks Miss Leck has been working on updating the medical information held for all students in Years 7 -10. New medical forms will be sent out in September 2022 to ensure that all medical information is kept up to date.

If you have a child who has a medical condition and there has been recent changes to their condition, please ensure you keep school informed. Miss Leck is responsible for the upkeep of medical records and information and can be contacted via email at [lleck@carnforthhigh.co.uk](mailto:lleck@carnforthhigh.co.uk)

For parents/guardians of students who have/may require an individual health care plan, you will be contacted in the Autumn term if you have not already been contacted, to organise a date to review the individual care plan. If you have any concerns in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact school.

### **Free School Meals**

If your child is eligible for free school meal vouchers these will be sent to you through your chosen method of either email or physical vouchers to support with the cost of food over the summer holidays.

## Support Over The Summer

In these difficult times of hardship and a rising cost of living, we are aware that some families may be worried about providing for their children over the summer holidays, and getting support whilst school is closed.

Below are some places where parents/guardians can access support services over the summer break.

- Morecambe Bay Food Bank 01524932001 <https://morecambebay.foodbank.org.uk/>
- Lancashire Care School Nurses (Support with physical and emotional health) 07507330510
- Happy Healthy Holidays 2022 (holiday clubs, access to services for young people) Email [HAF@lancaster.gov.uk](mailto:HAF@lancaster.gov.uk) or visit the website at <https://www.lancaster.gov.uk/sport-and-leisure/happy-healthy-holidays>
- NSPCC (If you are worried about a child's safety) 0800 800 5000

The school has been through many transition periods over the past two years and we are pleased that the school has been recognised for its continued work in the Ofsted report that was published this academic year, recognising that our school continues to be a good school. I am particularly proud of the students who have risen to the challenge of returning to education post pandemic, and love the school community in which we all belong. As a school, we look forward to welcoming Year 6 into our community as they begin their journey in Year 7 and welcoming back Years 8-11 in September, after a well-deserved break.

I would like to wish you all a lovely summer.

*L. Leck*

Miss L Leck

Associate Assistant Principal For Behaviour