

New Year 7 Parents Evening

Thursday 26 September 2019



Itinerary

6.30pm	Challenge Talk – helping your son to achieve his best
7pm	Refreshments in the Dining Hall
7.15pm	Tutor presentation begins
7.45pm	Parent/tutor talk / Q&A
8pm	Head teacher presentation begins
8.20pm	Parent Association AGM

Settling In...

This year, we have 180 boys in year 7 from 101 different primary schools!

It does not make a significant difference if the students know other boys from their primary schools. We always see a lot of 'wobbles' and minor friendship issues, particularly in the first term of Year 7 as they are settling in and getting used to each other.

We ask them to let us know so we can help and support them!

Settling in... Tips!

- Help your son to pack his pack for the first few weeks, then watch him pack it and then encourage him to pack it alone
- Likewise with homework, certainly for the first few weeks (or more) they may need help but encourage him to be as independent as possible
- Encourage your son to attend *at least* 1 club. The boys who feel lonely or struggle to set in **always** feel better after getting involved, in lessons, at break times..
- Avoid contacting your son in the day! It sounds harsh but the boys who are still calling their mums (and dads) at break and lunchtimes are those who are not yet in a definite friendship group
- Encourage independence by pushing your son to talk to Miss Young, Mr Brandon or his tutor if he has any issues, rather than contacting us yourselves, if appropriate

Tutor Times

Morning

8.30- 8.40

Afternoon

2.00- 2.30

Monday
Planners &
Reading

Tuesday
Assembly

Wednesday
Tutor
Activity

Thursday
Assembly

Friday
Tutor
activity

Timetables

All the boys' timetables were handed out on Day 1.

They should also be able to check their timetables on GO4Schools and ShowMyHomework.

Is your son's timetable **written in their diary**? Do they check it every night?

They have gone from having one teacher and one class to 15+ teachers and around 20 new rooms. Organisation is the key to success at SHSB!

Diaries

Monday is our day when diaries are signed and checked by the tutors. It's the main source of communication between home and school.

We realise that all homework is placed on SMHW, but teachers will still use the diary to communicate home and it is a good idea to ask your son to plan their week ahead with clubs, organisation, meetings etc.

This is good practice as it develops the skill of personal organisation and self responsibility

Diaries

Absence notes

Home- School communication

Rewards: Merits & House Credits

Sanctions: CS, HR, DD

Merits and House Credits

- Merits and house credits are our main way of celebration on a day to day basis.
- They are so important for the motivation of all of our pupils and when you check the diary each week you should be looking to celebrate these achievements with them.
- They are instantly updated onto Go4Schools and if you are able to log into the app, when your son is awarded one, an instant alert comes up on your phone. Maybe you could have the 'well done treat' ready for them upon their return home that night!

Early Intervention reminders

They are reminders designed to help settle the pupils in. They are NOT sanctions! They do not go on the overall points total for Go4Schools!

If it's their first or second time pupils come and see Miss Young or Mr Brandon at 1pm for a chat. After three or four occurrences Miss Young may need to step in and intervene to help your son.

Extra- Curricular

When Miss Young and Mr Brandon first met your son, apart from congratulations the biggest emphasis was made about attending extra curricular activities.

You can see that something is on every single day of the week and you should encourage your son to attend as many as is possible.

Belong to the school, don't just attend

Extra- Curricular

<u>Day</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>	<u>Staff</u>	
Monday	Drama Club	1:20 - 2:00	Frampton Theatre	Miss Lovelock	Year 7 and 8
Tuesday	Debating Society	1:15 - 1:55	H3	Mr Sainsbury	
Tuesday	Maths Society	1:150 - 2pm	N1	Mr Lane	Year 7 and 8
Tuesday	Esports club	1:10 - 1:50	H6	Mr Nzemeke	
Wednesday	Board Games Club	1:10 - 1:50	N2	Mrs Reynolds	
Wednesday Odd Weeks only	School Newspaper	1:15 – 1:55	H6	Mr Sainsbury	Years 7 - 11
Thursday	Computing Club	1:10 - 1:50	E18	Mrs Leggett	
Thursday	Esports club	1:10 - 1:50	H6	Mr Nzemeke	All years
Thursday	History Society	1:10 – 1:50	E10	Mr Nagle	All Years
Thursday	Movie Club	1:00 – 2:00	QE2	Mr McCague	
Thursday	Science Society	3:30 - 4:30	W3	Mr Sweeting	
Friday	Chess Club	1:15 - 2pm	E8	Mr Tkacziw	
Friday	Wargames Club	3:40 - 4:40	N7	Mr Gayner	All years
From Oct Day tbc	German Club	1:15 – 1:45	L1	German Assistant	
From Oct Day tbc	German Film Club	1:15 – 1:45	L1	German Assistant	
Coming soon	Philosophy and Ethics Society	1:10 – 1:50	QE2	Mr McCague	

Extra- Curricular

<u>Year 7 Sports Training</u>			
Monday	Basketball	1:15pm	Sports Hall changing room
Monday	Basketball squad	3:30pm	Sports Hall changing room
Tuesday	Cross Country	7:45am	Games changing room
Tuesday	Cross Country - bus boys	1:15pm	Games changing room
Tuesday	Football	1:15pm	Games changing room
Tuesday	Basketball shooting practice	3:30pm	Sports Hall changing room
Wednesday	Basketball	7:45am	Sports Hall changing room
Wednesday	Football	1:15pm	Games changing room
Thursday	Cross Country	7:45am	Games changing room
Thursday	Cross Country – bus boys	1:15pm	Games changing room
Thursday	Basketball Shooting practice	1:15pm	Sports Hall changing room
Friday	Basketball	Break time	Sports Hall changing room

Homework

Students are issued a homework timetable, meaning they should receive no more than 3 pieces per day. No piece of homework should last beyond 20/30 minutes. If your son is still working on it after that time, a note should be written on their work that they have spent the necessary time on it and then they need to find their teacher to ask for help!

Show My Homework is a critical part of the organisation of our school. If there are any problems with Show My Homework, hopefully our ICT champions were able to assist you earlier. If you now realise you need help then please send an email to enquiries@shsb.org.uk and make it out to Mrs Palao. However all information is in your welcome pack.