



23rd July 2021

Dear parents / carers

Start of term arrangements

As we begin looking forward to the start of the new academic year in September, I wanted to start this letter by thanking you for all of your support throughout this year. The last 18 months have been challenging for us all, and I'm sure you will join me in hoping that 2021-22 becomes a year where education is disruption free.

The Government have informed us that schools should be carrying out two, on-site lateral flow tests prior to students coming back into school in September. We plan to do this by mirroring our approach to this in March.

On Thursday 2nd / Friday 3rd September, students will be invited in at an allotted time slot to complete an on-site test and then return home. They will not be expected to wear uniform on these two days.

On Monday 6th / Tuesday 7th September, students will be back in for their second, on-site test. Assuming a negative result, they will then remain in school and begin their induction programme, where they will receive timetables, have assemblies and complete fire drills etc. Students must wear full school uniform on these days – details of which can be found here (link to website).

As a result, the start of term looks like the following:

Tutor Group	Thursday 2 nd September	Friday 3 rd September Onsite Test 1	Monday 6 th September	Tuesday 7 th September Onsite Test 2	Wednesday 8 th September
8A	10:00 – 11:00 – Live tutor session via MS Teams	9:00	Blended learning via Classcharts	9:00	Normal timetabled lessons Reading Test Period 1
8B		9:20		9:20	
8C		9:40		9:40	
8D		10:00		10:00	
8E		10:20		10:20	
		Students leave site on completion of test. Timetables issued. Blended learning will be set, via Classcharts, for Periods 4 and 5		Students will complete the day in tutor groups	

Consent form for Covid Testing

In order for your child to complete an onsite Covid test, we need your consent. Therefore, please can we ask you to complete the following. Whilst some of you may have completed previously, please can you complete again as we enter a new academic year.

Year 8: <https://forms.office.com/r/Zp6qcpe5ze>

We are hoping that early in September we will be able to offer the saliva testing as opposed to the lateral flow testing. Further details for this will come out early in September.

Uniform

Students are ambassadors of the school and are expected to show pride in the way they dress and behave in a way that reflects the standards we seek to achieve. The uniform should be smart with all items clearly marked. Whilst there was some leniency with this following lockdown, from September the school will NOT accept incorrect uniform. The Warblington School uniform consists of:

- Clip-on school tie
- Mid-blue shirt, plain, with collar and top button. (Not denim, polo/t-shirt or blouse style)
- Black blazer with Warblington School Logo*
- School V Neck black jumper with blue stripe (Optional, no other jumpers are permissible)
- Black trousers embroidered with the Warblington School logo*
- (available from Skool Kit) or tailored black trousers
- Grey blue SK308 tartan skirt which must be knee length (available from Skool Kit only)
- Sensible, plain black footwear (no logo's permitted)



*in order to reduce down uniform costs, embroidered badges are available to purchase from school reception for acceptable trousers and blazers. If cost of uniform is a problem, please contact the school.

Hair and Jewellery

- No unreasonable haircuts or styles are permitted.
- Hair colour must be natural.
- Body piercings are unacceptable and must be removed.
- The only jewellery permitted is a watch and a pair of earrings (small studs, not hoops), unless for religious/medical grounds.
- Nose studs must be removed and replaced with a clear retainer.
- Nail varnish/acrylic nails must not be worn.
- False eyelashes are not allowed and they will need to be removed.
- We often find that over the holidays students have piercings or their nails done. Please be aware that these must be removed prior to the start of term. Ear-rings must be able to be removed or taped for PE lessons.
- Subtle make-up is permitted for Year 10/11 students only.



PE Kit

- Light blue sport polo shirt with the school logo
- Black shorts
- White sports socks/trainer socks
- Light blue three-quarter length socks
- Blue school PE hooded sweatshirt
- Black tracksuit bottoms (Optional, no logo's permitted)
- Plain black leggings with school logo (optional for girls)
- Trainers (Astro trainers with dimpled soles are not appropriate to use in the Sports Hall and Gymnasium. Trainers can be any colour).
- Studded boots (for Football/Rugby). *Only the style shown in the picture is suitable for our 3G Astro, no blades or metal studs please.* The style of boot shown is equally the right boot for grass and for rugby as well.
- Maroon Rugby shirt with white band (for Rugby)
- Gum shields are highly recommended for Rugby and Hockey



Equipment

- Pencil case with the items below including colouring pencils
- Face covering, water bottle, tissues and hand sanitiser for personal use
- Apron/old shirt for Art
- Reading Book
- A Spanish/French dictionary is also highly recommended
- Students are expected to have a suitable bag in order to carry equipment/books

OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT – A pair of wired headphones for use in Music and Computing.



NB New pencil cases purchased from school may contain mechanical pencils and therefore no sharpener.

Purchase of new ties

Ties are available to purchase via Weduc. For current Y7-10 students, we have changed the ties to incorporate the house colours and as you have already purchased ties, we have been able to negotiate a reduced price of £2 until 31/08/21. After this time the price will be £5. All students will be expected to have a tie in house colours from September.

Students will be issued with their new tie when they come in for their first lateral flow test in September.

Weduc

At Warblington School, we work hard to keep our parents fully up to date, to support parents in accessing the documents, resources, and information that they need whilst limiting the quantity of paperwork going to each household. Weduc will be the main communications tool used by us to keep family informed, engaged and up to date with your child's Progress. All families should have now received an enrolment email or SMS containing details of how to register and access the Weduc platform.

Once registered we urge all families to download the Weduc App available from the App/Google Play store.

If you have any questions or need support in setting up your account then please contact the school by email at icthelp@warblingtonschool.co.uk.

New intake Documentation

Please could we ask you to complete the new intake Form (Link below), The form should take around 10-15 minutes to complete and provides us with key information in relation to your son/daughter starting in September. The form can be accessed within the Forms section of your Weduc app or by clicking on the following link which will open the Weduc portal in a webbrowser

Link [Click here](#)

Yours sincerely



Mr M Hartnell
Headteacher

Timings of the day

We have amended the structure of the day for 2021-22 as follows:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday			
Tutor	25	08:35-09:00	Throughout the week this will include an assembly, a numeracy programme, a topical debate and some discussion / mentoring activities
Period 1	55	09:00-09:55	
Period 2	40	09:55-10:35	
KS3 Break / KS4 P2	20	10:35-10:55	A split break will enable less students in the café area at break and lunch.
KS 3 P2 / KS4 Break	20	10:55-11:15	
Period 3	55	11:15-12:10	
Period 4	30	12:10-12:40	
Lunch/P4	30	12:40-13:10	A split lunch will enable less students in the café area at break and lunch.
P4/Lunch	30	13:10-13:40	
STAR	20	13:40-14:00	On a Friday – this will be where the tutor reviews the week and celebrates the achievements. On a Monday – Thursday, this time is dedicated to reading and the whole school community will be reading in this time.
Period 5	60	14:00-15:00	

Tuesdays follow the same as above until 12:10			
PDL	30	12:10-12:40	This lesson covers the personal development curriculum of relationships, careers, sex education, diversity & equality and safeguarding.
Lunch/PDL	30	12:40-13:10	
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STAR	20	13:40-14:00	