



Hello Year 7!

We hope you are well and have managed to have some fun over the summer holidays. The HGS team have been busy in school, getting things ready for your first full day on **Wednesday 6 September**. We have tried to think of some of the questions you may have, so we have written a handy guide below.



What do I need to bring with me?

- A **school bag** containing:
  - ✓ Your **iPad in its case** (fully charged)
  - ✓ A **pencil case** with 2 blue/black pens, 2 pencils, 1 green pen, an eraser, a pencil sharpener, a ruler, a compass, a protractor, a scientific calculator
  - ✓ A **water bottle**
  - ✓ **Breaktime snacks**
  - ✓ Packed lunch (if needed)
  - ✓ Headphones for use in music lessons
  - ✓ Apron for Art/DT/Food and Nutrition lessons



What do I wear to school?

- Please wear your **normal school uniform**.
- Make sure you have the right tie



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- Wearing our school uniform shows pride and belonging to HGS. Our school uniform means everyone is treated fairly as the expectations apply to all students.
- Please **bring your PE kit to school** on the days **when you have a PE lesson**. You will get changed for PE lessons – you do not need your PE kit on your first day.
- As the weather gets a bit colder and wetter, please bring a **coat**. You can also wear the black school jumper.



What time do I need to be in school?

- The school gates open at 8am but you must be in school **by 8.40am**.
- If you arrive very early you are able to use the LRC or the Hub.



Where do I go when I arrive in school?

- Please go straight to your **form room** when the doors open **at 8.40am. Anything after 8.50am will be considered late**.
- On Wednesday 6 September, you will spend Periods 1 and 2 in your form. Lessons will start from Period 3.



Where will my lessons be?

- You will **move to specialist classrooms** for some lessons such as **Science, Art, Design Technology** and **PE**.
- All lessons will be clearly marked on your timetable where to go.



How do I move around school?

- You must **walk** on the **left-hand** side of **corridors** and **staircases**.



What happens at breaktime?

- Please go outside to the **Year 7 Quad** for some fresh air.
- Breaktime snacks will be available to buy in the Quad, or bring your own if you prefer.



What happens at lunchtime?

- Lunch is at **12.30pm for the first 2 weeks**.
- If you have a packed lunch, you may either eat it in the Quad or wait and go in to the Hub with your friends and then the **Year 7 Quad**.
- If you would like a **school lunch**, please go to the **Hub**
- When you have **finished in the Hub**, please **go outside** to the **Year 7 Quad** for some fresh air.
- If it is a **wet lunch**, please go to your allocated room.
- 3 school bells will ring if it is a wet lunch.



How do I leave school at the end of the day?

- On a Wednesday school finishes at 2.40pm, on other days school finishes at 3.30pm.
- If you get a **bus home**, go out to the bus bays in the main car park.
- If you **do not get a bus home**, your **teacher** will **guide you** out of the nearest **exit**.
- If you are taking part in an after-school club make sure that you have planned how you will get home.

We hope that this helps you get ready for starting at your new school. We are looking forward to seeing you and helping you to settle in.

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Year 7 Manager