



Clacton County High School

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Higher Expectations, Raising Aspirations

Year 7

Dear Parents/Carers

We are now just over half way through our first half term and we have thoroughly enjoyed having our students back in school.

After evaluating feedback from yourselves and teachers, we will be making the following changes from Monday, 5th October:

- To reduce the time students spend with indirect supervision, which is inevitable as teachers are moving around the school instead of the students, students will be required to line up between lessons 3 and 4, allowing them to be fully supervised whilst they wait for their teacher to arrive at class.
- To support learning during different lessons, teachers will be able to devise and use their own seating plans within each class bubble.

Also a request for your support:

At CCHS we are very proud of our uniform and although the current circumstances mean that we have had to make adjustments on the days when students have PE, as we cannot use the changing rooms, we still need to maintain our high standards.

- **Correct Uniform & PE kit** - On the day that your child has PE, they should come to school in their appropriate PE kit. Those year groups wearing blazers, should wear this over the top of their kit and can only wear an official CCHS sweatshirt or rugby top; no other jumpers, hoodies or sweatshirts are acceptable. Please can we ask for your support in ensuring that on these days your child has the correct uniform. Those wearing the incorrect jumper, hoody or sweatshirt will be asked to remove it and put it into their school bag.
- **Mobile phones** – a reminder that CCHS is a “NO PHONE ZONE” for students. On entering the school site, phones should be switched off and put away into school bags. Phones going off in lessons and students seen using their phones will have them collected and stored safely until the end of the school day. Once again, your support, is vital in ensuring that students comply with school expectations.
- **Jewellery & Piercings** – Jewellery can only be worn if it is discreet and appropriate for school; there may be some jewellery that is accepted under religious grounds. Personal adornments, such as nose studs (unless clear), or large hooped earrings, are not acceptable and have to be removed or covered with tape.
- **ParentPay** – a reminder if you have yet to do so, please could you sign up and activate a ParentPay account as this is how all meals in school are paid for as well as stationery/equipment and any trips and activities that hopefully we will be able to run again soon. To pay for meals, students then need the money transferred within ParentPay to “dinners”.

Finally, for your information, we will be looking at introducing interventions to enable further stretch and challenge, as well as carry on our support programme.

Many thanks, stay safe and well.

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Head of School