



**GUISELEY
SCHOOL**

31st August 2023

Dear Parent / Carer

I hope you are all well and looking forward to the new term starting next week. We are taking the opportunity to remind parents and carers of our return to school schedule.

Return to School - September

Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th September will be training days for school staff. Year 7 **students will start on Wednesday 6th September.**

Wednesday 6th September:

Students in our new Year 7 will join us in the auditorium at 8.30 and spend the morning with us as the only year group in school whilst they get used to their new surroundings. PE kit will not be required on Wednesday.

Year 7 will have lunch on this day to acclimatise to dining room routines. Details on how parents can create a Parentpay account to ensure students can access the catering provision were posted to parents during the summer break.

If you have any ParentPay queries, please email finance@guiseleyschool.org.uk

Thursday 7th September:

School will start as normal at **8.30 for all students.**

School Day

The outline of the day can be found below.

Timings of the school day	
08:30 – 08:45 Registration and Tutor time	
08:45 – 09:35 Lesson 1	
09:35 – 10:25 Lesson 2	
10:25 – 10:40 Break	
10:40 – 11:30 Lesson 3	
11:30 – 12:20 Lesson 4	
12:20 – 12:50 Lunch for Years 7, 8, 12 and 13	12:20 – 12:50 Tutor time for Years 9, 10 and 11
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13:20 – 14:10 Lesson 5	
14:10 – 15:00 Lesson 6	

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Behaviour and Attendance

Over the course of the summer, we have reviewed our behaviour and attendance policies in order to ensure they reflect up to date guidance and legislation while continuing to provide the foundations for exceptional achievement in school. We will be sending parents summaries of any key amendments when we return in next week.

Timetables

Your child's timetable for the new academic year is now visible on Insight. To access the timetable, visit <https://connect.guiseleyschool.org.uk/INSIGHT/> and log in with your email address held on file and password. If you do not know your password, please click the forgotten password link on the login screen. Once logged in, choose 'Student' at the top, then choose Timetable. You may need to click 'Later' at the right-hand side to move on to the first week of the timetable.

Lockers

We are delighted to offer your child the continued use of a locker whilst they are in school this new academic year. If you wish for your child to continue using a locker, we will need a payment of £3. The cost covers administration, maintenance, and replacement keys for the lockers. We have managed to reduce the charge from £5 in previous years to £3 to help in this current economic climate. Payments can be made via our online payments system ParentPay from Wednesday 6th September.

To make your payment, simply log into your child's ParentPay account

Click on Pay for Other Items

Scroll to Lockers 2023/24

Add to basket

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If your child has Pupil Premium, please disregard the above payment details. The **deadline** for payments is **Friday 27 October 2023**.

Reading

We have had a very successful year promoting reading for pleasure with students, staff and parents/carers. Alongside attendance rates, reading for pleasure is the factor which has the biggest impact on student progress. To that end, reading tests are currently taking place for the current Years 7-9. The results from these will help us track the progress students have made this year and help us to understand how best to support students over the course of the first term. Reading tests for our new Year 7 cohort will take place from September.

We hope your child has been able to engage with our Guiseley School Summer Reading Challenge with the aim of reading for 150,000 minutes over the course of the holiday. Links to our reading challenge can be found on the school website and the VLE. There is still time to get those last few minutes logged!

We are looking forward to the new school year and the exciting opportunities it will bring. I trust you all enjoy the final weekend of the summer break. If you have any questions or queries, please get in touch via our school email address at info@guiseleyschool.org.uk

Yours sincerely



Paul Clayton
Headteacher