



Parent Information Evening

BE WHO GOD MEANT YOU TO BE
AND YOU WILL SET THE WORLD ON FIRE

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Our Roles

Tutor:

- Champion of their tutees
- First point of contact for parents
- Monitor attendance
- Monitor and reward behaviour

Pastoral Support Assistants:

- Support the day-to-day welfare of students
- Liaise with parents

Head of Year:

- Promote the development of each and every child
- Lead on pastoral care for students including, behaviour, safeguarding and attendance
- Work with parents/carers to meet the needs of students.



**ULTIMATELY – We all will
care and we all will do!**



Attendance – Every day Counts

Regular school attendance is one of the strongest predictors of a child's academic success and overall wellbeing.

- **Better learning:** Children who attend school consistently are less likely to fall behind and are better able to build on previous learning.
- **Stronger friendships:** Regular attendance helps children develop positive relationships with classmates and staff, fostering a sense of belonging.
- **Greater confidence:** Being present every day helps children participate fully, develop resilience, and feel confident in their abilities.
- **Positive habits for life:** Good attendance teaches responsibility, punctuality, and commitment—skills that benefit children throughout their education and future careers.
- Please let us know of any absence, including medical appointments before 9am for our records.
- Arrival after registration is closed, will impact attendance statistics.
- Any holidays taken during Term Time are not authorised and will result in a fine being issued as per government guidance.
- Excellent attendance will be rewarded

Expectations

- *Act in a way that helps you and others to learn successfully.*
- *Behave in a way that allows everyone to be safe and happy.*



Students are expected to always wear their lanyard. This will have their ID card and Conduct card in it.

Conduct

- No physical contact including play-fighting
- No running, except in designated areas at break/lunch
- Speak with respect
- Respond to questions truthfully
- Follow instructions first time
- Do not use category A words or gestures

Punctuality

- Arrive on time for school
- Arrive on time for morning line up
- Arrive on time to lessons
- Walk briskly to lessons

Uniform

- Always wear correct uniform.

When students fail to meet the expectations, staff will sign the conduct card

1st conduct card = 30-minute detention
2nd conduct card = 60-minute detention
3rd conduct card = 90-minute detention

Same conduct card at the end of the Half Term = Reward

Why?

- **Ensure safety**
- **Maximise learning time**
- **Increase aspiration**
- **Develop confidence**
- **Prepare students for a life beyond school**

Uniform



- Academy Blazer with embroidered academy badge
- Academy clip on tie (Yellow stripe)
- White shirt/blouse
- Mid-grey pleated skirt deemed by the academy not to be excessive in any way; no Lycra or straight skirts. Skirts must not be rolled up.
- Mid-grey tailored/regular fit trousers – not skinny fit, kick flares, cropped or other fashion trousers; no Lycra.
- Plain black leather shoes
- Black socks or plain black tights. Knee high socks are not allowed
- No jogging bottoms or sports shorts to be worn under trousers
- Trousers must be worn at the waist.

Optional:

Grey jumper, V-necked, long sleeved to be worn under the blazer and NOT in replace of the blazer and can ONLY be worn until May Half Term

Why?

- ✓ Increase learning time
- ✓ Health and Safety
- ✓ Reduce social, economic exclusion
- ✓ Prepare students for working life
- ✓ Sense of community & pride

***Please read the uniform policy document for further details
26/27 version will be published on the website.**



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Preparation

Equipment

- Blue or Black pen
- Spare blue or black pen
- Red pen
- Ruler
- Rubber
- Pencil
- Sharpener
- Scientific Calculator (recommended Casino **FX 83GTX**).
- Knowledge Organiser – Provided by the school (1st Time)

PE Kit

- Check PE day
- Borrowed kit



Mobile Phones

- We are part of the Children's Wellbeing and School Bill 2026.
 - **This means that there is NO NEED for your child to have a smartphone; in fact, in every school in Derby City, they will not be permitted to use it during the school day.**
 - In Derby City, headteachers have come together to agree the following statements:
 - **Your child does not require a smartphone for transition to secondary school**
 - **Your child will not be permitted to use a mobile device during the school day at any Derby City secondary school**
- Phones should not be seen or heard at any point during the school day.
 - If your child is carrying a phone for safe travel home, it **MUST** be powered off and stored in their bag and only used once at the school gates or bus bays
 - If seen it will be confiscated and parents are required to collect before 4pm (this is the time the general school office closes)
 - We **DO NOT** return mobile phones to students



Dining

- Pupils welcome to have food at break or lunch.
- You can also send your child with a packed lunch if preferred
- Parents put money on Arbor and then pupils will pay using their fingerprints.





Structure of the day Monday, Tuesday Thursday and Friday

Timings	Activity
8.30	Arrive gather in Year 7 area
8.40 – 9.00	Registration/Assembly
9.00 – 10.00	Period 1
10.00 -11.00	Period 2
11.00-11.20	Break
11.20-12.20	Period 3
12.20-13.20	Period 4
13.20-14.00	Lunch
14.00-15.00	Period 5



Structure of the day Wednesday

Timings	Activity
8.30	Arrive gather in Year 7 area
8.40 – 9.25	Personal development
9.25– 10.20	Period 1
10.20-11.15	Period 2
11.15-11.35	Break
11.35-12.30	Period 3
12.30-13:25	Period 4
13.25-14.05	Lunch
14.05-15.00	Period 5

Extra-curricular (Beyond the Classroom) – sample timetable



TIME/ DAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
LUNCH WEEK A YEAR 7	Football Y7-9: ASTRO ⚽ 🏃	2:10 PROJECT Meeting for YR 7/8: Chapel ✚ 📖 🎵 🌱 Reading Club – All Years: H5 📖 Basketball: Y7: GYM 🏀 Football Y7-9: ASTRO ⚽ 🏃	Creative Writing Club 🎨 📖 - All Years: H10 Feminist Society – All Years: F8 🌸 🍀 Football Y7-9: ASTRO ⚽ 🏃	Chess Club: All Years: Library ♟️ 📖 Team Training – Badminton: All years: Sportshall 🏸 Choir: All Years: I4 🎵	
AFTER SCHOOL WEEK A YEAR 7	No activities or late bus	Girls Football training ⚽ 🏃 ASTRO Girls Basketball: All Years: GYM 🏀 🏃 Girls Netball: All years : SPORTS HALL 🏐 Silent Study Club : All Years: F4 📖 📖 📖 Study Club: All Years H9 📖 📖 📖 Study Club: All Years: H10 📖 📖 📖	Girls Football Fixtures ⚽ 🏃 Poetry by Heart competition- All Years: LIBRARY 📖 - ❤️ Benchball : All Years: GYM 🏀 KS3 Basketball: Y7-9: GYM 🏀 Girls Football: All Years: ASTRO ⚽ 🏃 Reading Intervention Homework Club – All Years : H5 Silent Study Club: All Years: F4 📖 📖 📖 Study Club: All Years H9/H10 📖 📖 📖	KS3 Basketball: Y7-9: GYM 🏀 🏃 Silent Study Club: All Years F4 📖 📖 📖 STEM club: Y7-10: M11 🧪 Study Club: All Years : H9 📖 📖 📖 Study Club: All Years: H10 📖 📖 📖 Social Football - All Years ASTRO ⚽ 🏃	Big Band after school (Students make their own way home) : All Years: I4 🎵 🎵 🎵 🎵

Late Bus



- There is a late bus which leaves site at 4.20 on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.
- It is free for pupils with tickets from clubs (the free bus does not apply to students who are registered at detentions, parents must ensure their child has a way to get home i.e. public transport/collection/walking)

Route B – Eastbound	Time
Saint Benedict School	16:20
Breadsall Village	16:30
Bishops Drive/Wayfaring Road	16:40
Wilmot Arms, Chaddesden Lane	16:45
Raynesway	16:50
Blue Peter to Keldholme Lane	16:55
The Cornishman to Boulton Lane	17:05
Osmaston Road	17:10
Spider Island	17:15

Route A – Westbound	Time
Saint Benedict School	16:20
Mackworth, Prince Charles Avenue Shops	16:30
Brakensdale Avenue	16:35
Royal Derby Hospital, Uttoxeter New Road	16:40
Mickleover, Ladybank Road Shops	16:45
Mickleover, Tesco, Kipling Drive	16:50
Nuffield Hospital	16:55
Derby High School	17:00
Blagreaves Lane / Stenson Road Lights	17:05
Cavendish	17:10
Normanton Road, Pak Foods	17:12
Normanton Road, Retail Park (Lidl)	17:15



Transition Days 7th – 9th July

- Arrive at Saint Benedict for the start of the day, either on the bus or by 8.30. The days will end at 3pm. (please ensure your child knows which number bus to catch at the end of the day)
- In their primary uniforms – free bus travel.
- Students will have time with their tutor, tour of the school, team building activities, experience lessons and have our first Mass.
- Bring a packed lunch/snacks, water bottle and pens.
- If you intend to collect your child from Saint Benedict, please do so from the school gates: please do not walk onto the site or drive your car into the car park until after 3:20pm



First Day – Wednesday 9th September

- Arrive at Saint Benedict for the start of the day, either on the bus or by 8.30.
- Staff will be waiting to greet you and direct you to there year group area
- Wear the Saint Benedict uniform.
- Act of Worship followed by form time.
- Lunchtime: students may use canteen facilities to buy lunch or bring a packed lunch.
- End of normal school day at 3:00pm.
- If collecting your child please do not walk onto the school grounds, wait at the gate. If you are picking them up please use the surrounding area or wait till 3:20pm to pick them up from the bus bays.



Who to contact

- If you have any concerns or questions, please contact the school:
 - Pastoral Support Assistants IEllis@ben.srscmat.co.uk
 - Head of Year MRobinson@ben.srscmat.co.uk
 - Form Tutor name@ben.srscmat.co.uk

You can either phone the school or e-mail; your concern/question will be directed to the appropriate person. Staff will aim to respond by the end of the working day where possible.