



# Fulford School

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Dear Parent/Carer

First of all, I would like to express my thanks for your engagement in our transition processes. We were so pleased to meet our new students and families earlier in the month; further to this we have been receiving some fantastic returns for the 'You are awesome' transition tasks we. It feels like we have been on a journey together and the children are as yet to join!

I would like to provide you with a few further updates prior to the close of term.

## September

The first day of term will be Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September. On this day only years 7 and 12 will be in school to help children acclimatise to their new environment. Year 7 children will also have an early lunch for the first few weeks so that they are the only year group in the canteen. We will be running some bonding type activities (e.g. on Friday afternoon of the first week) but we also aim to settle quickly into school/ lesson routines. (FYI I am including an attachment which indicates the equipment that we expect students to bring each day).

## Class Charts

On transition evening you will have had a brief introduction to this app based system for recording positive and negative behaviour incidents. This is the platform by which you will access teacher feedback, details of your child's homework and a copy of their timetable.

Students also use this system and it forms the basis of a weekly review with their form tutor. Information is available in real time via any phone, tablet or computer.

At the beginning of the Autumn term we will send you your own unique access code; you will require this to set up your personal Class Charts account to view the information which relates to your child. To access this information you will need to visit [www.classcharts.com](http://www.classcharts.com) and enter your log in details when you receive them in September. Ideally we recommend downloading the Class Charts app which is available on iOS and Android.

A Parent guide is available via the following link: [https://pages.classcharts.com/wp-content/uploads/Class\\_Charts\\_for\\_parents\\_guide.pdf](https://pages.classcharts.com/wp-content/uploads/Class_Charts_for_parents_guide.pdf)

Also contained within the September letter will be the individual student code for your child with students creating their own account in the same way as parents/ carers. It is essential that your child has access to Class Charts as this is the hub through which homework is set. It also provides a platform for students to upload work to return to staff and contains a live copy of their timetable.

We have found that parents really value the information they are able to access from Class Charts and as a school we see it as a key tool for communication with families.

## Parent Pay

At Fulford we use an online system called Parent Pay to enable parents to pay for their child's school meals - we operate on a cashless system. Parents can pay securely, on line, at a time that is convenient to them.

Your child will be registered in the canteen on the first day of term. You will then be able to add funds to your child's account so that they have funds to pay for any snacks/ food which they purchase. Please note that students will be able purchase food from their first day onwards with this being debited from the account once you add funds (normally we require credit in the account for purchases to be made).

We also use Parent Pay to allow parents to pay for other items such as school trips, text/revision books and equipment. As with the Class Charts platform, you will be provided with a Parent Pay activation code at the start of September.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a wonderful summer together as a family. We are looking forward to working with you through the years ahead! If you have any questions do feel free to contact me at school.

Yours faithfully



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