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Dear KC Year 7 Families

I hope you had an enjoyable Summer and are looking forward to starting your KC journey as much as we are looking forward to seeing you. With Monday being your start date, I just wanted to go through some key information and hopefully cover things that I have received emails about over the last few days.

## Start

Year 7 begin with us on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September and can arrive from 8.25am onwards when the gate opens. Morning registration begins at 8.45am and so we do expect that students are starting to arrive from 8.25am onward to make sure that they are not late. They will need to come in via the main gate that runs at the side of the school and is the same entrance that they used on the transition days.

## **Uniform and equipment**

We look forward to seeing everyone looking smart in their full school uniform. PE kit does not need to be brought with them on the first day and please do not worry if you have ordered kit, but it is late arriving. I have spoken to the PE team who have said anything that students already have that is blue or black can be worn for PE until kit arrives so do not panic.

We do expect that all students have their own pencil case with equipment and so I would suggest a minimum of 2-3 pens (it is amazing how many get lost or explode) as well as pencils, ruler, rubber, sharpener. Highlighters and a glue stick are also useful but do not worry if you don't have them as they can be borrowed if needed.

## **Break and Lunch - Parent Pay**

If your child intends to bring a packed lunch then please do so. For students to purchase food from the canteen their Parent Pay account needs to be set up and you will need to add money to it. Your details to set this up will be emailed out and given to your child on Monday so we would strongly suggest that students bring their own snacks and a packed lunch for the first few days until things are set up. If students do need food from the canteen on Monday, then staff will make a note of how much has been spent and deduct this from your Parent Pay account once it has been set up.

Parent Pay will also be how you can pay for a calculator and/or geometry set for Maths and any trips.

## **Arbor App**

Information will be attached about how you can download the Arbor App and it will then be how school sends messages as well as allowing you to see information about your child. It is vital that everyone has this app as it will be the main form of communication and is a great way for us to get messages to families. The Arbor App can be downloaded from either the Google Play Store on android phones or the Apple Store on iPhones.

Hopefully that covers everything but as always please do email me if there is anything else that you are unsure about.

Kind regards

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