



18th July 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

I write to update you about next year.

### School Day

You will know that the government's March 2022 Schools White Paper stated that from September, all mainstream state-funded schools are expected to be open for a minimum of 32.5 hours. Currently we are open for 31.45 hours, so have made the changes below to comply with the regulations.

#### New School Day

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday	
8.25	Bell
8.30 to 9.00	Registration
9.00 to 10.00	Period 1
10.00 to 11.00	Period 2
11.00 to 11.30	Break
11.30 to 12.30	Period 3
12.30 to 1.30	Period 4
1.30 to 2.00	Lunch
2.00 to 3.00	Period 5
3.00	End of School

Wednesday	
8.25	Bell
8.30 to 8.40	Registration
8.40 to 9.40	Period 1
9.40 to 10.40	Period 2
10.40 to 11.10	Break
11.10 to 12.10	Period 3
12.10 to 1.10	Period 4
1.10 to 1.40	Lunch
1.40 to 2.40	Period 5
2.40	End of School



## **Inset Days**

These have been set for next year and can also be found on the website:

Thursday 1st September 2022

Monday 3rd October 2022

Monday 31st October 2022

Friday 25th November 2022

Friday 27th January 2023

## **Start of Term**

Friday 2nd September 2022 – Year 7 in for an assembly at 8.25 am, Year 11 in at 8.25 am

Monday 5th September 2022 – all years back on site at 8.25 am

## **Parents' Evenings**

These will be in person and not remote this year.

## **Uniform**

Please see following page:

**White shirt**  
Top button fastened, shirt tucked in

**School tie**  
Must be worn at all times

**School blazer**  
With school badge

**V-neck school jumper**  
No other cardigan/jumper may be worn

**Black trousers**  
Not skinny fit

**Tartan school skirt**  
The hem should sit on the knee

**Plain black tights or socks**  
Socks should be knee or ankle length

**Plain black shoes**  
No Vans, trainers or pumps; plain black  
Kickers with no colour stitching or laces  
are allowed; low, sensible heels only

**Permitted headwear**  
Headwear and accessories must be  
plain black

**Plain stud earrings**  
One pair only worn in the lower earlobe.  
Facial piercing jewellery is not permitted



## Appearance

- False/gel/acrylic/shellac nails, nail extensions and nail varnish are not allowed.
- Make up and fake tan must be discreet.
- Extreme hairstyles/non-natural colours are not permitted (The Academy reserves the right to define 'extreme').
- Only one small pair of stud earrings are allowed in the lobes.
- Nose studs, body piercing, tongue studs and rings etc are not allowed.
- False eyelashes and eyelash extensions are not permitted.
- Excessively short hair and shaved patterns are not permitted.
- Only religious headwear is allowed (such as, hijabs and kippahs) and these must be plain black with no visible other colour, adornments, or logos. They must be worn in such a way that they do not impede vision nor endanger the student's safety.

## Breaches

Where a breach of this policy can be rectified immediately (for example, by placing the prohibited item in the student's bag or by confiscation by the Academy), the student will remain in lessons as usual. Where the breach cannot be rectified immediately, internal isolation may be imposed for the remainder of that school day or break and lunchtime, or until the student has a break in which they can safely return home to rectify the breach. The Academy will advise the action that should be taken.

In the case of a hairstyle that the Academy deems to be extreme, the student may be internally isolated or excluded in accordance with the Academy's Behaviour Policy. The student will be expected to adopt a compliant hairstyle before returning to Academy.

It was lovely to see so many of you at Brittons Best.

Thank you all for your support this year.

I hope you enjoy a happy and healthy summer holiday.

Best wishes,

*W Thompson.*

**MR. W. THOMPSON**

**Principal**