

July 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are really looking forward to welcoming your child to Outwood Academy Acklam on **Monday 6 September 2021**.

We understand that this is an exciting and for some, a nervous time. This letter seeks to give some information that will in some way calm some of those nerves or anxieties.

On the first day, we would ask that students arrive ready at our school gates for **8.00am** where they will be greeted by academy staff and shown where to go to get them into the theatre to be allocated to tutor groups. Parents and carers are able to drop students off having parked in either the car park to the left of the main driveway into school from Hall Drive, or on the opposite side of the road to the bus bays at the front of school. Both of the aforementioned are for drop off purposes only and should not be used for parents/carers to remain for a long period of time.

Our school address is as follows:

Outwood Academy Acklam
Hall Drive
Acklam
Middlesbrough
TS5 7JY

The school day will start at **8.25am** and will finish at **2.30pm**.

For the first two days of term, lunch will be provided free of charge for your child although they can choose to bring a pack lunch if they wish. A letter detailing instructions on how to set up your child's IPay account and deposit money onto it from home will be sent to you over the Summer.

Over the first two days, your child will be taking part in fantastic activities where they will experience life in our academy for the first time. Initially, they will meet their tutor, meet

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their peers, be given their timetables and student planners and partake in numerous activities including attending a few lessons and then an afternoon of inter-tutor group competitions. Over the later stages of the week, students will follow their timetable and attend all lessons.

Unfortunately, due to the pandemic we are unable to meet in person before then, but we will be sharing some videos that will give you some insight into our school. These will include a virtual tour of the school and a look into some departments so you and your child can get a good idea of what to expect. These videos have been shared on our website and social media.

Uniform / Data Collection

We also ask that parents / carers make sure your child's free Y7 uniform bundle is ordered and the data collection Google form is completed online before the Summer holidays begin, <https://forms.gle/Bnm59pwzDkW2EpKr5>

Uniform Collections will take place on **Wednesday 28 July 2021**.

Any exchanges will take place on **Thursday 5 August 2021**.

Distribution will be carried out by time slots throughout each day, allocated by the first letter of your surname. The schedule and all other information can be found on the Transition section of our website, <https://www.acklam.outwood.com/y6transition>.

School Photographs

Please note that we will also be taking School photographs on **Tuesday 7 September 2021**. After their photo is taken students will be given a slip to take home which will explain how to order their school photographs.

If you need to contact the school between now and the end of term, then please do not hesitate to either contact myself, a.maycock@acklam.outwood.com or Miss Cooke, z.cooke@acklam.outwood.com

Kind Regards



Mr A Maycock
Associate Assistant Principal

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Meet Our Senior Leadership Team (SLT) 21/22



Mr M Hassack
Executive Principal –
Northern Region



Mr S Merifield
Associate Executive
Principal



Mr M Gray
Principal



Mr L Johnson
Vice Principal –
Deep Support



Miss L Winter
Vice Principal –
Deep Learning



Mr J Rhodes
Vice Principal –
Deep Experience



Miss K Mitchell
Assistant Principal



Mr L Chapman
Assistant Principal



Mrs E Bone
Assistant Principal



Mr S Clayton
Assistant Principal



Miss R Dawson
Associate Assistant
Principal



Miss K McNabb
Associate Assistant
Principal



Mrs A Holmes
Lead Learning
Manager



Miss A Spooner
Inclusion Coordinator
(MAT Cover)



Mr D List
SENCO

Our Team will wear a high visibility jacket when on duty – Please look out for them!!



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Outwood Academy Acklam – Tutor Groups

All students at Outwood Academy Acklam are members of a Tutor Group. You will be in a year 7 tutor group with around 25 other students and you will meet as a class with your tutor every day before Period 1.

Tutor Groups compete with each other to be the group with the best attendance or the most Praise Points. Praise Points are awarded to students to reward good manners, excellent behaviour, outstanding effort, achievement and work, resilience, being a good citizen and anything else which deserves recognition. Students who achieve a high number of Praise Points are rewarded with prizes.

Your Tutor Group will share its name with a country. Over your first year, you will find out a lot about this country, and at the end of the Year, compete for your country at our Outwood Olympics Sports Day. Your country will contribute to a continent, and it's really important to do your best to win prizes for your continent! Our Year 7 members are often our best contributors.

Please see below the Year 7 Tutors for 2021 /2022: -



Miss L Carroll / Mrs S Rashid



Mrs K Smith



Miss A Becker

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Ecuador



Miss J Rowney



Egypt



Mr G Todd



Guyana



Miss J Heaton



Hawaii



Mr D Bullock



Maryland



Mr L Martin

We can't wait to meet you!!

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