



THE PRIORY ACADEMY

LSST

3<sup>rd</sup> September 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

I do hope you and your family have found some time to relax this summer and your children are now starting to turn their thoughts to the new academic year ahead. We are so excited to be welcoming our students back on either Monday (Y7, Y8, Y11, Y12 and Y13) or Tuesday (Y9 and Y10) next week. We would once again like to apologise in the change of start date for our Y9 and Y10 students and their families. Thank you to all of you for your understanding and support of the Covid testing programme.

In August, our students achieved highly in their examination results. Nobody anticipated that when they started their five- and seven-year journey with us, that the final stretch would be so challenging and occasionally surreal. Even this time last year we had hoped that we would be able to reset and restart again at the start Module 1 in the autumn term. World events, however, continued to thwart us and once again, the academic year 2020-2021 meant a return to online lessons as well as the new testing programme. Amidst all of this, our students rose to the challenge, displayed our values in the face of adversity, and achieved the results they thoroughly deserved. We wish them all the very best of luck as they begin the next stage of their journey.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce our new staff, alongside their respective roles and departments. I know our students and yourselves will welcome them and look forward to working with them all over the coming months and years.

Miss. N Keeler – Teacher of Mathematics  
Miss E Coniam – Teacher of History  
Mr M Billings – Teacher of History  
Miss J Martin – Art Technician  
Mrs S Challens – Science Technician  
Mrs E Petteffer - Catering Assistant  
Miss M Carter – SCITT - Computing  
Miss C Mason – SCITT - English

Mr L Mazingham – Teacher of PE  
Mrs F Lawrence – Teacher of History  
Mr A Ayre – Teacher of Business and IT  
Miss T Gamwell – Technology Technician  
Miss R Wood – Learning Support Assistant  
Mr B James – Site Team Apprentice  
Mr R Hatton - SCITT – Chemistry  
Mr C Whelan – SCITT – Mathematics

We also welcome back Mrs J Heckford-Lindridge, Teacher of Mathematics and Enrichment Leader, who returns from maternity leave.

Our Enrichment Team has seen three new appointments who will begin their roles this September. The Enrichment Team consists of Miss Tunnard (Year 7/Castille), Mr Audis (Year 8/Alexandria), Mrs Smith (Year 9/Alexandria), Miss Harrison (Year 10/Sempringham) and Mrs Heckford-Lindridge and Miss Scarrett (both Year

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11/Avalon). We look forward to seeing the great House Events and enrichment opportunities the team offers this year!

As our students return to the Academy, they will no longer be in year group 'bubbles', with the exception of lunchtime. Students will move around the Academy for lessons between the different departments. However, due to the benefits experienced last year, students will start the school day with a timetabled subject lesson at 0830 with tutor time remaining in the middle of the day. The table below outlines the academy day for the start of this academic year.

Activity	Start	End
<i>Arrival and movement to period 1 lesson No students to be inside before 8.20</i>	8.20am	8.30am
<b>Period 1</b>	<b>8.30am</b>	<b>9.30am</b>
<i>Movement Time</i>	9.30am	9.35am
<b>Period 2</b>	<b>9.35am</b>	<b>10.35am</b>
<i>Morning Break</i>	10.35am	10.55am
<b>Period 3</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>12.00pm</b>
<i>Lunch Break – Y8, 10 and 12</i>	12.00pm	12.30pm
<b>Form Time – Y7, 9, 11 and 13</b>	<b>12.05pm</b>	<b>12.30pm</b>
<b>Form Time – Y8, 10 and 12</b>	<b>12.30pm</b>	<b>12.55pm</b>
<i>Lunch Break – Y7, 9, 11 and 13</i>	12.30pm	1.00pm
<b>Period 4</b>	<b>1.00pm</b>	<b>2.00pm</b>
<i>Movement Time</i>	2.00pm	2.05pm
<b>Period 5</b>	<b>2.05pm</b>	<b>3.05pm</b>
Optional Activities	3.05pm	4.00pm

However, on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September students will begin the academy day in their form rooms. Please be assured we will be on duty directing students to their form areas.

With regards to Health and Safety requirements we continue to follow the advice from the government in order to mitigate against transmission of Covid-19 as much as possible. As you will be aware face coverings are no longer advised for students, staff and visitors either in classrooms or in communal areas. However, we are supportive of all students and staff who wish to wear face coverings while in the Academy. The on-going control measures that are advised are:

1. Ensure good hygiene for everyone.
2. Maintain appropriate cleaning regimes.
3. Keep occupied spaces well ventilated.
4. Follow public health advice on testing, self-isolation and managing confirmed cases of COVID-19.

In respect of the first three measures, we have retained all the measures we had in place on site last academic year. Although bubbles are no longer required, we have in effect retained bubbles at lunchtimes and year groups have their own designated areas. As with last academic year, please can we request that parents/carers remain in their cars when dropping off and collecting their child at the start and end of the academy day.

With the increase in online payments for educational visits and most other items we have moved the remaining academy shop facilities to our Main Reception from Student Reception. This has provided the opportunity to

develop a Pastoral Hub in the previous Student Reception area as additional space to provide additional pastoral and welfare support for our students.

For further information about the year ahead please see the handbooks provided for each year group on the academy website: [The Priory Academy LSST - Pastoral and Safeguarding \(priorityacademy.co.uk\)](http://priorityacademy.co.uk/pastoral-and-safeguarding)

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a lovely weekend and thank you once again for your ongoing support and understanding in such changing times.

Yours faithfully

Mrs J Hopkinson  
Headteacher

