



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ~ YEAR 7 SEPTEMBER 2020

1. Which day will Year 7 start at Cardinal Wiseman?

Year 7 will start Cardinal Wiseman on **Thursday 3rd September** - they will need to be on site for 8:55am. The school day will end at 3.00pm for Year 7. They will need to make their way to AQUINAS block which is directly to the left as you walk in the main gates. There will be guides waiting to help them.

2. What is the earliest time children can arrive onsite?

With the current climate we would appreciate students arriving as close to their start time as possible to help ease access to school for all families. Start time is 8:55am on this day.

3. What will my child need to bring on the first day?

On the first day your child will need to bring a water bottle if possible. We will be providing all students with a meal on that day but if you wish, your child can bring their own packed lunch.

We will also be issuing a PE bag with a water bottle and a pencil case with a basic starter pack.

All students are expected to wear full school uniform in accordance with our Uniform Policy and have black shoes. No trainers are permitted.

4. Are children allowed into the library before school starts?

Under normal circumstances this would be encouraged, however with current government guidelines we would ask pupils to arrive and head straight to their tutor rooms where possible.

5. Can I arrange for my child to attend a breakfast club?

Breakfast club is usually something that some of our students will be invited to as we do not offer a club for drop offs in the morning. With the current climate again we are unsure at present how this will operate with year group bubbles but will keep you informed with changes and government guidelines.

6. Do children have swimming sessions in Year 7?

Swimming would usually form part of the PE timetable for students - we as a school will be guided by government guidelines inline with COVID 19.

7. When will the online payment system be set up for lunch payments etc?

We operate a cashless catering system in school. Students will have fingerprints taken on their first day to allow for a cashless facility to run. Accounts will be available using PARENTMAIL. A link will be being sent out to all parents / carers via their email address provided on their admissions paperwork.

8. Will my child get a tour of the school when they start Cardinal Wiseman?

A tour will be provided around the outside of the main buildings in September to ensure that your child / children will know the layout of the school. From September students will be based in one main classroom area for all of their lessons to support transition and the current government guidelines for COVID 19.

9. Where do I drop and collect my child from? Is it ok from outside of the school gates?

Please ensure that if you are dropping your child off at the main school gates that you do so in a way that helps to prevent congestion and supports in keeping our students safe. There is a bus bay area which must remain clear at all times as this is where our school buses park from around 3pm each day. Also there will be staff outside of gates visible in a red jacket to help guide students if required.

10. Who can my child talk to in the first place if they have worries or concerns?

Your child can always talk to their form tutor in the first instance - below is a list of form tutors and their form rooms which they will need on their first day

7A – Mr M Bench	Form Room: AQ06
7B - Miss I Paternoster	Form Room: AQ01
7C - Miss S Jefferson	Form Room: AQ02
7D - Miss A Elliot	Form Room: AQ03
7E - Miss R Mullen	Form Room: AQ04
7F - Miss H Morgan	Form Room: AQ07
7G - Miss MHowe	Form Room: AQ08
7H - Mr G Scorey	Form Room: AQ09

We also have the Head of Year, Mr Forinton, who will be available to support with the transition process if required. Your child's form tutor's email address is available on the school's website for your convenience.

11. Can my child bring their mobile phone to school?

We have a 'no phones out' policy. This is to minimise distractions and disruptions, problems on social media, and to keep staff informed of any issues. If your child requires a phone they can bring it to school, but it is their responsibility to adhere to rules whilst on site. It must be kept in a bag or blazer and switched off at all times. If a student has their phone out during the day, it will be confiscated.

12. How do I apply for a bus pass for my child?

Please use the following link to apply for a bus pass for your child.

https://www.coventry.gov.uk/info/61/schools_and_schooling/756/school_travel_passes/2

13. Where can I find a copy of the uniform policy?

<https://cardinalwiseman.coventry.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2019/08/CW-School-Uniform-Policy-June-2020.pdf>

A reminder for parents / carers with regards to tie colour:

Forms A & B - a gold striped tie

Forms C & D - a red striped tie

Forms E & F - a green striped tie

Forms G & H - a purple striped tie