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Dear Parents and Carers

We are delighted by the wonderful start that Year 7 have made to North Leamington School. Their uniform has been fantastic and we very much appreciate the support that has gone into this. It really has been a pleasure welcoming them all and lovely to see so many happy faces.

Your child's Form Tutor will be making contact shortly. Their Form Tutor is the first port of call for parents, carers and students for any queries or issues that may arise. Please do reach out to your child's Form Tutor in the first instance. You will be able to meet your child's Form Tutor at the Year 7 Information Evening on Monday 16 September, which is detailed further below.

If you would like to contact any other member of teaching staff at school, you can find their contact details, along with Tutors, on the [Meet the Team](#) section of our website.

Other key pages to use on our website include [Go4Schools \(G4S\)](#), [Parentpay](#) and [Free School Meals](#) for those that may be eligible. You also can find the latest Online Safety newsletter on our website, which includes information regarding the newest feature Snapchat have announced recently to help Parents and Carers to protect their young people. Whilst Snapchat has an age limit of over 13 some young people may access this platform so it may be of interest. You can view the [Online Safety September Newsletter here](#).

Go4Schools is our main method of communication on a day to day basis and will include information on your child's timetable including names of their teachers, attendance, rewards and consequences. When we begin to set homework in a few weeks this can also be viewed by Parents, Carers and students. Likewise, towards the end December our first set of reports which will reflect attitude to learning data will be sent via Go4Schools. We will send more information about each of these elements as they become relevant.

Go4Schools can be accessed through any electronic device by downloading the app or using the web based platform. Further instructions on how to log-in can be found on the [Go4Schools page](#) of our website.

There are a number of items, events and opportunities coming up that I am excited to detail to you here, including the Year 7 Information Evening and a trip to the Birmingham Botanical Gardens running in early October:

Learning Journeys

All our Learning Journeys, which contain curriculum information for all subjects, are available on our website within the Learn and Curriculum tab, linked here [Learning Journeys](#) within each subject. In year 7, within PSHE, students will be covering a variety of topics in Health & Wellbeing (Transition and Safety and Games), Living in the Wider World (Careers, Digital Literacy) and Relationships (Black History Month and Anti Bullying) for example.

Timetables

Students have received their timetables through Go4Schools and an ID card which shows a printed copy of their timetable. Please remind your child to keep this safe; lost ID cards will be available at a cost through Parent Pay.

Start of the day

A reminder that lesson 1 starts at 08:45 therefore students must be on site by 08:40 at the latest in order to ensure that they are on time. Year 7 should be entering and exiting via the Lillington Road gate unless alternative arrangements have been agreed.

Year 7 Trip to the Botanical Gardens

This trip is a great opportunity for students and is scheduled to take place during the week commencing 7 October. Students will get the opportunity to experience Animal Handling and a Rainforest Challenge. A letter with all the details has also been sent today. Our vision is that every child in the year group attends this trip to broaden their horizons as well as foster greater friendships amongst their peers.

Year 7 Information Evening

We are delighted to invite you and your child to the Year 7 Information Evening on Monday 16 September. During the evening parents and carers will meet their child's Form Tutor and receive key information from both the Form Tutor and Senior Leaders.

Parents and Carers do not need to book for this evening; please arrive at the front of school where our staff will meet you. This is an opportunity for parents and carers to receive information about how we can work together towards the best success of our young people.

Parents, Carers and students will attend a central presentation from leaders followed by a further presentation and Q&A with individual form tutors. There is a choice of sitting, the first will take place at 4.45pm and this will then be repeated at 5.30pm to allow parents/carers the flexibility to attend the session that best suits them.

The event as a whole will run from 4.30pm to 6.30pm. Please arrive at 4.30 to attend the first presentation cycle, or at 5.15 if you would prefer to attend the later sitting. Additionally, a small number of families will be contacted next week to meet individually with Form Tutors from 4.00pm ahead of the first presentation cycle.

The Year 7 Form Tutors and I look forward to seeing you there.

I would like to reiterate what a great pleasure it has been to welcome your child to North Leamington School, where they will go on to achieve great success with the help and encouragement of the support around them, both at school and at home.

I really look forward to working with you and your child this academic year.

Yours sincerely,



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