

# Newsletter

Friday 10th September 2021

## Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, we would like to welcome every parent and student back from what we hope was a relaxing, refreshing and re-energizing summer break. We hope the gradual lifting of COVID restrictions allowed you to do things and see people you have not been able to for quite some time. As St Julie said, "in moments of darkness, we can only wait for the sun to appear"; well we hope your summer was filled with 'sun', literal or metaphorical.

We would also like to apologise for the length of this first newsletter of the year, but it is fantastic to have so much to share again!

### COVID Procedures from September

As parents and carers are aware, the government made further changes to COVID measures and procedures around self-isolation towards the end of the summer holiday. These reduced the need for self-isolation only to those who are symptomatic or who have received a positive COVID test result. The very latest guidance can be found [here](#) or on the new college website [here](#). Liverpool City Council have also provided some helpful answers to FAQs which we have included in this week's newsletter.

### COVID Testing on Return

The government also asked that schools test each student twice within their first 5 days back at school. We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate students on their maturity and exemplary conduct during testing, which allowed school staff to complete this testing within just 3 school days! This allowed for a swift and purposeful return to learning after such a disrupted 18-months. I would also like to thank all staff involved in the organisation and delivery of the testing programme.

### Core Values Assemblies

On students first day back, our College Chaplain, Miss Wall, and I delivered an assembly which introduced every student to our new college core values of Charity, Courtesy, Courage and Confidence. The core values came out of a year of consultation with staff, students and governors and articulate the personal qualities and attributes that are most important to us as a Notre Dame family.

Wishing every Notre Dame family a peaceful and safe weekend.

Mr Duffy  
Headteacher



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# Our School Values- The process



Students were also introduced to our new 'blue line' (pictured above). This symbolises the point at which our expectations on conduct, personal appearance and application to learning kick in. The blue line acts as a visual reminder to every student, that they are expected to embrace, embody and live out our Notre Dame core values every minute they are in our shared community. By doing so, every child will flourish, grow and succeed. As ever, we appreciate the support of all Notre Dame families in reinforcing these values and expectations every day.

## **Parent Governor Vacancy**

Today, we are announcing that we have a new vacancy for Parent Governor here at Notre Dame Catholic College. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Allen for her boundless service to the College as a Parent Governor. Her contribution to the college community has been amazing. On a personal note, we wish you and the girls every happiness and success in the future. We cannot thank you enough.

We are now inviting nominations from parents and carers who are interested in serving the College as our next Parent Governor. Along with this newsletter, we have attached a Parent Governor candidate pack that includes information about the role of a parent governor, the timeline for the process and instructions on how to apply. Nominations can be submitted on paper using the agreed Nomination Form or by completing this online Nomination Form [[click here to access the online Nomination Form](#)]. The deadline for nominations is Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September. Thank you in advance, welcome back and we wish every Notre Dame family a peaceful and safe weekend.

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Mr Duffy



Notre Dame Catholic College

# Candidate Information

Parent Governor

Voluntary (Fixed 4-Year Term)



*'Opening Hearts, Minds and Doors'*



## **Letter from our Headteacher**

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Dear Parent,

### **ELECTION OF A PARENT GOVERNOR**

I write to invite nominations from parents to fill a vacancy for Parent Governor on our Governing Body.

Nominations should be made using the Nomination Form on page 11 of this Candidate Information pack or using the online form by clicking [here](#); this can be by self-nomination or third party nomination (with the prior consent of the nominee) and submitted to the school no later than, 10.00 am on Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> September 2021.

The successful candidate will become a full member of the Governing Body and serve for 4 years with effect from 11<sup>th</sup> October 2021.

#### **Eligibility**

To be eligible for election, your child must be a registered pupil of Notre Dame Catholic College when the election takes place. Full details of the election procedure and nomination form are enclosed in this pack.

### **The role of Parent Governor in an effective Governing Body**

Effective governing bodies comprise of members with a wide range of expertise and experiences. These might include analysing performance data, in budgeting and driving financial efficiency, and in performance management and employment issues.

The role of Parent Governor is primarily to provide a parent's insight into discussions, policy and performance review and decision-making processes. However, any additional expertise or experience in the areas listed above would be an advantage.



## **Commitment and Skills Required**

All governors need a strong commitment to the role and to improving outcomes for all children, the inquisitiveness to question and analyse, and the willingness to learn. They need good inter-personal skills, appropriate levels of literacy in English and sufficient numeracy skills to understand data.

Nominations would be particularly welcome from parents who are able to demonstrate these qualities.

Full Governing Board meetings are usually held once per term at 5.30pm on Thursdays but this could be changed if necessary to suit the convenience of the majority of Governors. Meetings usually last for approximately two hours. In addition to this, each governor is also asked to sit on one additional 'committee'. These also meet once per term and also convene on Thursdays but start at 5.00pm.

## **Safeguarding Checks**

It is important that appropriate checks are made on anybody who will be working in a school to prevent unsuitable people from gaining access to children. Accordingly, new governors must agree to provide proof of identity and undergo a check in line with current advice issued by the Department for Education.

If you wish to have further information regarding being a governor, I would be pleased to answer your queries. Alternatively, you may wish to contact our Senior Clerk to Governors, Mrs Jean Wilkinson by email at [wilkinsonj@notredame.liverpool.sch.uk](mailto:wilkinsonj@notredame.liverpool.sch.uk) or the School Governor Services team via telephone on 0151 233 3939 or by email at [terry.brown@liverpool.gov.uk](mailto:terry.brown@liverpool.gov.uk).

Yours sincerely,



Mr P Duffy

**Headteacher**

**Notre Dame Catholic College**



# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

## **Welcome to Key Stage 4 and Year 11 Parent Information Evening**

On the evening of Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September from 5.30pm until 6.30pm, we welcome parents and carers of Years 10 and 11 to attend in person an information evening outlining key examination and coursework details, dates and tips on how best to support your sons and daughters through Key Stage 4. Revision resources and equipment will also be on sale (at cost) at this event.

## **Year 5 and 6 Open Evening**

On Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September, we welcome parents of children in Years 5 and 6 to join us for a face-to-face open evening from 6.00pm until 8.00pm. There will be a presentation from the headteacher and other college leaders (delivered at 6.00pm and repeated at 7.00pm), an opportunity to view our first-class facilities, meet staff and to visit individual departments. We look forward to seeing you all.

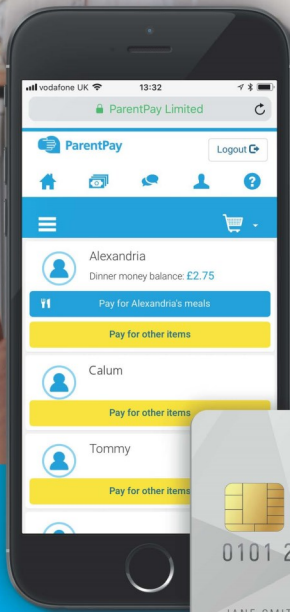
## **Year 10 and 11 Careers Provider Event**

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October is an INSET training day for staff and students are not in school. However, on that day, we will also be hosting a post-16 provider event for students in Years 10 and 11. The event will allow students to speak to a wide range of Further Education providers including colleges, apprenticeship and training providers and, of course, our own Sixth Form College. Details of the staggered arrival times has been sent to parents of Year 10 and 11 from our Careers Leader and Adviser, Mrs Hall.

# THE EASY WAY TO PAY

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can easily pay online for school  
dinners, trips and clubs.

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# SAFEGUARDING REMINDERS



## Important Contacts

If you currently need support for your mental health or well being these are some of the organisations who are happy to listen and help

### Anxiety UK

03444775774 (Helpline)

075374160905 (Text)

### Childline

0800 1111 (Free 24 hr helpline)

### Papyrus Hotline

(Under 35s at risk of suicide or concerned for another)

0800 068 4141

07786209697 (text)

### The Mix

(Support & Advice for under 25s)

0808 068 4994

85258 (Text THEMIX)

### Young Minds

0808 803 5544 (Parent helpline)

85258 (Free 24hr crisis messenger, text YM)

### Young Stonewall

Information & support for young people who identify as LGBTQ

0800 050 2020

### Samaritans

Support for anyone who needs to talk

116 123 (Call)

### Bullybusters

0800 169 6928

**Please refer to the school website for further contact details/ websites**

## If you feel a child is at risk

**(suffering harm, neglect or abuse)**

Any member of the public can contact

Careline on 0151 233 3700 or

Merseyside Police on 0151 709 6010

## CAMHS Crisis Care Team

Supporting children and young people in crisis regarding self-harm, suicidal ideation and acute mental health difficulties. Speak to a mental health practitioner 24hrs/day

## Childline - [www.childline.org.uk](http://www.childline.org.uk)

• Childline is available to you if you have any concerns about:

- Bullying
- Abuse (physical, sexual, psychological, emotional, neglect)
- Your body and self esteem
- Your feelings
- Friendships
- Sexual advice
- Home life and families
- School

• You can ring them on 0800 1111 or message them online here <https://www.childline.org.uk/registration/>

• There are loads of resources available for you to download and read as well <https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/>



## Domestic Abuse/Violence

Please remember, in an emergency dial 999 for immediate assistance.

**You can call 999 without speaking then pressing 55, or tapping or coughing into the phone.**

**This will enable police to respond**

### Women's Aid

0808 2000 247 (24 hr helpline)

### Men's Advice Line

0808 801 0327

### Worst Kept Secret Helpline Merseyside

0800 028 3398





# SAFEGUARDING

## CONTACT US

Email: [sg@notredame.liverpool.sch.uk](mailto:sg@notredame.liverpool.sch.uk)

Emails are answered within 24 hrs Mon—Fri 9-3

Phone: 0151 330 5122

PC P Wood Schools Safer Police Officer



## The Safeguarding Team

Headteacher – Mr P Duffy  
Deputy Headteacher - Mrs AM Costello

### Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs E Brennan – Senior Assistant Headteacher



## Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads

Mrs J Littleboy – Assistant Head of Year  
Mr D McKeon – Leadership - Director of Behaviour  
Mr A McVerry – Leadership - SENCO

PC P Wood – school's safer police officer  
Leadership/ Alternative Provision – Miss H McCullen  
Attendance Officer – Mrs P Shrimpton  
Special Educational Needs – Mrs K Sweeney  
Pastoral Assistant Heads of Year – Ms R Glorman Y7, Mrs Doran Y8, Mrs E Garvey Y10, Miss C Lee Y11



Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are writing in light of changes made to national policies on self-isolation and to provide information on how COVID-19 will be managed in the school this term.

### **CHANGES TO NATIONAL SELF-ISOLATION GUIDANCE**

From 16 August, the Government has said that people aged under 18 years and 6 months or who are fully vaccinated will no longer be legally required to isolate if they are a close contact of someone with COVID-19. Instead, such people will be advised (but not legally required) to get a PCR test unless they have had a positive PCR test in the previous 90 days.

Regardless of age or vaccination status, anyone who develops any of the three main COVID-19 symptoms (see below) must get a PCR test as soon as possible and isolate until the result is available. People who get a positive PCR test must continue to isolate as usual.

Covid Vaccination is currently available to people aged 16 and above, and in certain other circumstances, based on JCVI guidance. This may change, and if so we will be back in touch. Vaccine uptake in Liverpool is significantly lower than the national average. To date 88% of eligible UK residents have received their first vaccine, whilst in Liverpool this figure is only 69%. Nationally 77% have received their second dose compared to 57% in Liverpool. We strongly encourage all eligible Liverpool residents to come forward for their 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> dose of the vaccine to prevent new restrictions being imposed on the city. To book your vaccine please use the following link: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/>

Further details on the covid-19 vaccines can be found here:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/safety-and-side-effects/>

### **What should I do if my child develops COVID-19 symptoms?**

The main symptoms of COVID-19 are:

- new continuous cough and/or
- fever (temperature of 37.8°C or higher)
- loss of or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

If your child develops any of these symptoms, you must arrange for them to have a PCR test as soon as possible. A PCR test can be arranged via the NHS UK ([www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk)) website or by contacting NHS 119 via telephone if you do not have internet access.

Your child should self-isolate immediately and they should not attend school.

Please contact the school by phone to inform us your child has COVID-19 symptoms and you are awaiting a COVID-19 test.

### **What should I do if my child has COVID-19 confirmed by PCR test?**

Anyone with COVID-19 confirmed by PCR test should self-isolate until the latest of:

- 10 days after the onset of their symptoms, or
- 10 days after their test day if they are asymptomatic

# RETURN TO SCHOOL

Children and young people across Liverpool will be returning to classrooms from Wednesday, 1 September.

As well as excitement, after the upheaval of the last 18 months there may also be some confusion and anxiety about what current Covid guidance means for the new school year.

Schools have been communicating directly with families and carers and keeping their individual websites updated and should always be the first place to go for advice about plans for getting back into the classroom.

However, we have put together the following frequently asked questions to answer some of the general questions about going back to school...

## **How do the [self-isolation changes of 16 August](#) affect school attendance?**

If children and young people (aged 18 years & 6 months and under) have not tested positive for Covid, and they are not otherwise ill they are expected to be in school.

Anyone aged under 18 and 6 months who has been a close contact of someone who has tested positive is no longer required to self-isolate unless the child also has symptoms. They are advised to take a PCR test but they do not have to isolate whilst they wait for the results.

Students who are aged 18 years & 6 months and over will be treated as adults under the guidance and will not be expected to self-isolate if they have had a close contact provided they have received both Covid vaccinations and 14 days have passed since the second dose.

You can find out where drop-in Covid vaccination clinics are on [Liverpool CCG's website](#).

## **I think my child has Covid, what should I do?**

If your child has symptoms, [please book a PCR test](#) and isolate until you have the results. If you receive a positive test result the child should self-isolate following the national guidance. If you need support whilst your family is self-isolating there is information on the [council's website](#).

## **Will children still be expected to take lateral flow tests (LFTs)?**

Testing is voluntary, but it is encouraged as it is still one of the best ways to break the chain of infection.

We're encouraging secondary school pupils to take an LFT **before** they return to school.

When schools return, government guidance will be followed:

**Nursery and primary school children** – Do not need to take LFTs.

**Secondary school pupils and college students** – In the first week of term, two LFTs will be taken at school three to five days apart. In following weeks, two LFTs to be taken at home each week until the end of September.

## **Will testing continue after the end of September?**

There will be a national review of all testing in September 2021 and this will inform the role of testing in school and other settings

## **What should I do if my child has a positive result on a lateral flow test?**

They should self-isolate immediately and you should arrange a PCR test as soon as possible. <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/>

Other members of the household do not need to self-isolate whilst you await the PCR test result if they do not have symptoms and are aged under 18 years or are fully vaccinated.

## **Will pupils still be part of bubbles?**

Bubbles were introduced to limit contact between groups. Schools are no longer required to do this, but they may be considered if there is an outbreak at the school.

## **What happens if there are positive cases in schools?**

All schools and colleges are required to have outbreak management plans. Action may need to be taken if certain thresholds are met. If risks change significantly the Director of Public Health is able to implement further or different measures to protect population health.

## **Will school continue to inform us if there are positive cases in school?**

Public Health England are currently advising schools that it is not necessary to send *warn and inform* letters for each pupil case. Parents will be informed if additional controls from the outbreak management plan need to be put in place.

Meanwhile schools will continue to maintain COVID prevention measures. This includes maximising ventilation, encouraging good hygiene, thorough cleaning and ensuring that anyone with COVID symptoms or positive test results do not come in to school.

## **Will children be made to have a vaccination?**

No-one will be made to have a vaccination, but having both doses of the vaccination is still the best way of preventing people from becoming very ill with Covid-19.

The national vaccination programme is now open to anyone aged 16 and over. Sixteen and 17-year-olds will be contacted by their GPs and are not able to book vaccinations online.

## **I would like my child to have a vaccination as there is someone in my household who is vulnerable but my child is younger than 16.**

Vaccinations are being offered to 12-15-year-olds if they have an underlying health condition or if someone they live with is immunosuppressed. You should speak to your child's GP.

## **Will my child have to wear a face covering in the classroom?**

Guidance states that face coverings do not need to be worn in the classroom. But if your child travels to school or college on public transport that is crowded and they can't socially distance it is a good idea to wear a face covering if they are able.

Parents are encouraged to wear face coverings at the school gates particularly if social distancing isn't possible.

## **Will normal school activities now be taking place?**

Yes, activities such as sports, singing, playing wind or brass instruments, and going on trips and excursions are now allowed to take place.

## **My child is anxious about returning to school is there any support?**

The last year and a half has been especially tough for our children and young people. If your child is worried about returning to the classroom please speak to the school in the first instance. They can also get help and advice online such as at [www.kooth.com](http://www.kooth.com)



# FLU VACCINATIONS



**Mersey Care**  
NHS Foundation Trust

Community and Mental Health Services

Liverpool Immunisation Team  
Lifehouse  
Summers Road Brun-  
swick Business Park  
Liverpool  
L3 4BL

0151 295 3833

Dear Parent/Guardian,

## **Your child's annual flu vaccination is due from September onwards**

This vaccination is recommended to help protect your child against flu. Flu can be an unpleasant illness and sometimes causes serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable family and friends by preventing the spread of flu.

The vaccination is free and is a quick and simple spray up the nose. Even if your child had the vaccine last year, it is recommended that they have the flu vaccine again this year.

While COVID-19 is in circulation, the Healthcare team and school will follow guidelines to ensure children are safe when being offered the vaccine.

For further information about the vaccination programme please click on this link [www.nhs.uk/child-flu](http://www.nhs.uk/child-flu) as it provides details about the small number of children for whom the nasal vaccine is not appropriate.

Please follow the link emailed to you from school to complete your child's consent form even if you do not want your child to receive their flu vaccination.

If you have any queries or are unable to complete the online consent form, please contact the Immunisation Team: 0151 295 3833.

Yours faithfully

Immunisation Team

# Intra Nasal Flu Vaccine Consent Form



**Mersey Care**  
NHS Foundation Trust  
Community and Mental Health Services

**PLEASE COMPLETE IN BLOCK CAPITALS**

Child's full name (first name and surname):		
Home address and postcode:		
NHS number: (if known)	Date of birth:	School year:
Email address:	Ethnicity:	Ethnicity:
School:	Daytime contact telephone number for parent/guardian/carer:	
GP name and address:		



Has your child required oral steroids in the last 2 weeks to manage their asthma?*	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does your child have a disease or treatment that severely affects their immune system? (e.g. treatment for Leukaemia)	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is anyone in your family currently having treatment that severely affects their immune system? (e.g. they need to be kept in isolation)	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does your child have a severe egg allergy? (needing intensive care)	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does your child take salicylate medication (Aspirin)?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>

If you answered **YES** to any of the above, please give details the Immunisation team may contact you for further information. Please ensure you include a contact telephone number.

**\*Please inform the Immunisation team if your child's asthma deteriorates and you have had to increase their medication after you have returned this form, please call: 0151 295 3833**

NB. The nasal flu vaccine contains a highly processed form of gelatine derived from pigs (porcine gelatine). It is offered because it is more effective in the programme than an injected vaccine. This is because it is considered better at reducing the spread of flu to others and is easier to administer. Some people may not accept the use of porcine gelatine in medical products. You should discuss your options with the Immunisation team.

**Consent for immunisation (please tick YES or NO and return form for either decision)**

<b>YES, I give consent for my child to be immunised with the nasal flu vaccine.</b>	<b>NO, I do not give consent for my child to be immunised with the nasal flu vaccine</b>
Name:	Name:
Signature: Parent/guardian/carer	Signature: Parent/guardian/carer
Date:	Date:

If 'No' please give reason(s):

**The Immunisation team will transcribe information provided onto the E-Consent portal to record your consent/decline and child's immunisations.**

**Thank you for completing this form. Please return it to the school as soon as possible**

<b>FOR OFFICE USE ONLY. NURSE TO COMPLETE.</b>	Signature: .....
	Date: .....

**Pre session triage for Fluenz Tetra**

Child eligible for Fluenz (consent form signed, no contraindications)	Yes	No
Comments:		

**\*FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

Has the parent/child reported the child being wheezy over the past three days? If Yes, give details:

Eligibility assessment on day of vaccination completed (RN at session)

Name: .....

Signature: .....

**Vaccine details (RN)**

Batch number:	Expiry date:	Supplied/administered (circle as applicable)	
.....	.....		
Date:	Time:	School	Clinic
.....	.....		

**Administration supervisor (CSW) to be completed where supplied:**

Name: .....

Signature: .....

NB. Asthmatic children not eligible on the day of the session due to deterioration in their asthma control should be advised to attend their GP and offered inactivate vaccine if their condition doesn't improve within 72 hours to avoid a delay in vaccinating this 'at risk' group.

Additional information:

## **FLU CAN SPREAD VERY EASILY, WHICH IS WHY YOUNG PEOPLE ARE GIVEN A VACCINE AS PROTECTION.**



There is a special flu vaccine which works really well in children

It is given by a painless nasal spray and offered to all school children  
(Reception to year 11)

Please ensure you have given your email address to the school office so you  
can receive your Childs electronic consent

If you have any questions please contact the immunisation team on  
**0151 295 3833**

**AS WELL AS PROTECTING YOUR CHILD AGAINST FLU,  
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# E-SCOOTERS



To all Principals and Head Teachers,


I am writing to raise concern regarding the current upward trend in the use of both personally owned and hired E-Scooters here in Merseyside.

Liverpool is currently taking part in a Liverpool City Region led pilot with [VOI](#) scooters, which aims to establish e-scooters in every neighbourhood to help combat the rise in vehicle use on our roads and promote a more eco-friendly mode of transport. These scooters are easily identifiable being **orange** in colour and displaying a small registration number on the front and back.

Since its inception in September 2020, the VOI pilot scheme has helped to inadvertently promote the wider use of electronic scooters in the city and as a result, we have seen an unprecedented number of personally owned scooters now being used by both children and adults alike on our streets. Many are now being used to ferry children to school, and reports of multiple VOI scooters being parked outside many school entrances with students using these as a form of transport, sometimes illegally dependant on their age and the absence of a substantial drivers' licence.

With the above in mind, we feel there is a need to promote a better understanding of laws and legislation which governs the use of these new scooters despite numerous social media and news reports. My intention in sending you this letter is to seek your support to educate your students and parents through your assemblies and newsletters etc. This I hope will have two separate outcomes, firstly the roads will become safer for all users especially children and secondly we will reduce the number of accidents being reported to our local hospitals who are also seeing a rise in incidents being recorded caused by e-scooters alone.

## 1. VOI Scooters.

- Introduced in September 2020 and certified by the Department for transport
  - All Riders must hold a valid UK Provisional or full driving license
  - All riders MUST BE 18+ years old
- 
- The use of these scooters utilising another person's license will result in prosecution for both the rider and the license holder.
  - As scooters are deemed as a motor vehicle **ANY** prosecution on these scooters will have a significant impact on gaining a driving license and or insurance in the coming years.
  - Due to the rise in use by underage school children, VOI and Merseyside Police will be targeting users in order to stop this action which may lead to prosecution and or fines

## 2. Private Scooters

- These can be various colours
- Do not display registration numbers
- Available from UK and overseas manufactures
- Scooters can be adapted and modified to travel faster than the 15.5 Mph limit placed on them



- It is against the law to ride an e-scooter anywhere other than on private land and only then, with the express permission of the landowner
- If you are found to be riding one in public, you could face having your scooter seized, a fine, or even points on your driving licence
- Due to E scooters being classified as “powered transporters”, they are covered by the same legislation as motor vehicles and therefore would need to meet the same standards under the Road traffic Act 1988 to be legalised in public such as being insured, registered with the DVLA and taxed.
- If you are found to be drink or drug riding you will face the same court process as you would in a car and you will be arrested.

I’m sure you would agree that the safety of all students is paramount as we now head into a busy summer period away from school and I hope that given this small piece of information you are able to make both students and parents think twice before riding any of the above scooters types.

If required further information can be found in all relevant departments below:

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If required further information can be found in all relevant departments below:

1. [E-Scooter legislation](#)
2. [VOI](#)
3. [Liverpool Echo](#)

We are working very closely with a number of partner agencies concerning the use of E scooters, and this issue is not just specific to Merseyside however changes to law and legislation take time and given the pilot schemes are being ran in various cities throughout the UK until May 2022, it is very unlikely we will see any legislative changes being made until the outcome of these pilots. Therefore until then we have to enforce the laws that are in place and with 273 scooters being seized in the last three months, we will continue to try and curb this ever growing issue.

Kind Regards

**Carl McNulty**  
Insp Matrix Op Support Roads Policing  
MTRX RPU Operations

Direct Line Tel: +441517771249  
Email: [Carl.R.McNulty@merseyside.police.uk](mailto:Carl.R.McNulty@merseyside.police.uk)

# ATTENDANCE & UNIFORM

## Attendance and Punctuality

The school's attendance officer is Mrs P Shrimpton

From 3rd September 2021 all students are expected to attend school.

All students should arrive at school before 8:40 a.m. to ensure they have enough time to be at their form classes for 8:45 a.m. Parents/carers must ensure that students leave home in plenty of time to get to school on time.

Breakfast - Students are able to have breakfast in school after 8 a.m. in the lower canteen

Appointments - Please do not make medical / dental appointments for students during school hours. Any appointments during school time will only be authorised with a letter or appointment card.

Holidays - Term Dates are included in this newsletter - please do not book holidays during term times. Any holidays booked during term time will be unauthorised unless with the prior agreement of the headteacher.

## Pastoral Team

If you need to speak to a member of the pastoral team you can contact them via class charts messages.

Mrs Brennan - Senior Assistant Headteacher

Mr McKeon - Leadership Team / Director of Behaviour

Mr Campbell - Leadership Team / Director of Behaviour

**Year 7** - Head of Year - Miss Wishart Assistant Head of Year - Ms Glorman

**Year 8** - Head of Year - Mr Appleton Assistant Head of Year - Mrs Doran

**Year 9** - Head of Year - Mrs Crosslind Assistant Head of Year - Mrs Littleboy

**Year 10** - Head of Year - Mr Bond Assistant Head of Year - Mrs Garvey

**Year 11** - Head of Year - Mrs Smith Assistant Head of Year - Ms Lee

## Uniform standards

Please find attached the appropriate shoe guidance which is part of our school uniform. Parents/carers were provided with a letter regarding uniform and the details of appropriate shoes in the summer term. The information is also available on the school website. If pupils come into school with the wrong footwear from Monday 6th September 2021 they will be given an alternative pair of shoes provided by school. Any queries please speak to your son/daughter's Head of Year.

## ACCEPTABLE AND NON-ACCEPTABLE SHOES



**Polishable Shoe  
Black**



**Polishable Shoe  
Black**



**Polishable Shoe  
Black**



**Plain Black Patent**



**Polishable Shoe  
Black**



**Polishable Shoe  
Black**



**Polishable Shoe  
Black**



**Non-Polishable Shoe  
Trainer**



**Embellishment not same colour as shoe  
Embellishment not flat to shoe  
Open toe**



**Embellishment not same colour as shoe**



# YEAR 6 OPEN EVENING



OPEN EVENING | Enrolling Year 7 for September 2022



THURSDAY  
30TH SEPTEMBER 2021  
6PM TO 8PM