



September 2019

Dear Parent/ Carer,

It has been a real pleasure to welcome our new students to KNBS. We are all incredibly pleased with our new Year 7. Their conduct, attitude and positivity has been most impressive. I felt it would be good to share some updates with you as we fine tune our ongoing transition and support.

Homework

We all want the best for our boys and completing homework definitely aids organisation, positive learning habits and memory. To aid our boys in forming these habits without being too overwhelmed the following homework timetable has been produced: www.knbs.co.uk/Y7Homework

All students and parents should now have their *show my homework* login credentials. If you are unsure of how to log in this guide will help: <http://bit.ly/2m7Ri7v>

Lockers

We apologise for the delay in issuing some locker keys. This was mainly due to site refurbishments over the summer which included the relocation of many lockers. All Year 7 students who have paid for a locker should now have their key. If this is not the case please do not hesitate to contact our School Business Manager, Mr George, who will be happy to help. There are some lockers left if students have decided that they would like one.

After School Clubs

There are a number of these clubs available for our new Year 7's. We pride ourselves in the additional opportunities available to our boys. Follow this link to see the PE extra-curricular clubs: www.knbs.co.uk/extra-curricular

Unlike primary school there is no need to book or reserve places. We ask that you discuss which clubs your son is attending so that you know if he is staying after school. There is provision in our reception for students to phone home if they wish to stay at short notice, they are also permitted to use their personal mobile phone after school to contact parents.

Timetables

Many of our parents go through their son's timetable to assist getting them organised and ensuring their bags are correctly packed. Having new subjects and a variety of teachers is one of the things that the boys tell us they like the most. However, timetables are not always easy to read; if you would like clarification please see our guide to timetable at this link: www.knbs.co.uk/our-day

Transition

Even for a confident student the move from primary to secondary can be confusing at times. There are a number of measures that have been put in place at school to support this transition. For instance, our Year 7 currently have sole access to our canteen facilities during the first part of lunch. We will continue these added extras to help our new Year 7s to settle in.

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the work of Miss Bishop (Head of Year 7) and the Year 7 Form Tutors. If you do feel that your son would benefit from additional help during their transition period, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Bishop or your son's form tutor.

I hope this information helps you during the transition and beyond. We very much look forward to seeing you at our first Year 7 event, 'Welcome Evening' on Thursday 3rd October 2019 from 4pm – 6.30pm, where you will be able to get some valuable feedback on how your son has settled in to school and we can get some valuable feedback from you on the first few weeks and the transition process.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Clayton
Headteacher