

Induction into Year 7 in September 2019 Informal Meetings on Friday 12th July 2019

Summary to students and parents/carers – please read these notes together

To the student

- Congratulations on gaining entry into Kendrick School. You should be proud of yourself.
- If you have any worries about coming to Kendrick, please let us know.
- Practise your travel arrangements to school (Be on time; be extra careful crossing the IDR; do not look at your phone whilst walking to school; do not get distracted or influenced by other students when crossing the road).
- Try lots of extra-curricular activities; plenty to join in at school.
- Do your BEST and be happy with YOUR best. Do not compare yourself with others.
- Communicate with your parents and your teachers. We are all here to help but, at home your parents are still in charge for a few more years...
- Do not use any social media platforms with other students. If you need to get in touch with a student outside of school, do this through your parents who will get in touch with theirs. Social Media is too difficult an area for you to navigate safely and effectively at your age.
- If you get a letter to take home, give it to your parents straight away and bring it back to school as soon as possible and always within the deadline.
- Check ParentMail communications with your parents; follow all instructions.

Follow school rules and principles

- We want you to be kind, respectful and thoughtful in your dealings with others at all time.
- Start your homework with 5 minutes reflection on the day's learning.
- Homework is focussed time, not in front of TV or chatting to friends.
- Keep to H/W time allocation. Draw a line where you are by the end of the allocated time so your teacher knows what you can do in a certain time.
- If you have time left at the end of your homework time allocation, use the rest of the time to do some revision, create revision resources such as flashcards or mind maps. Working consistently is key to success.
- Do look deeper into the topics you are interested in and be inquisitive, but have a good balance between work and down time.

To the parents

- If there is anything we need to know about your child to facilitate her transition into Kendrick, please let us know and also if there are any changes of circumstances between now and the start of the school year and then throughout her time in Kendrick.
- Help your daughter manage her organisation skills for the first few weeks (packing bag, etc)
- Students should not be on any social media platforms with other students throughout Year 7. This includes WhatsApp. Exchange of texts should be monitored by parents.
- Do NOT give 'Parent Homework'!
- Be realistic about the pressure and expectations you put on your daughter.
- Remember to put her results within the school context; she is in a school of high achievers; not everyone can be the best at every subject.
- The school's and your main concern has to be your daughter's well-being. Be positive, be proud, be encouraging but not demanding and do not impose your expectations on her.

- Let us know if you have any worries about your daughter at any point.
- Together we need to help your daughter become a strong, happy, independent woman, ready to fulfil her own hopes and dreams.

Safeguarding Key Principles

At Kendrick we believe that every student has, at all times and in all situations, a right to feel safe and protected from any situation or practice that results in them being physically or psychologically damaged.