



Laurence Jackson School's Parental Bulletin



Welcome back!

We hope that all students have had a productive and hard working start to the new academic year, and that Year 7 have enjoyed their first week at LJS.

Key dates for the year and for each year group can be found on our website—please click [here](#)

Upcoming parent/carers information evenings

Year 7, 10 and 11

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PARENTS INFORMATION EVENINGS

Year 7 – Thursday 11th September Choice of 4pm or 6pm event
Year 11 – Wednesday 17th September 6pm
Year 10 – Wednesday 15th October 6pm

To support our students during these really important phases of their education at Laurence Jackson School, we would like to invite parents / carers of students in Year 7, 10 and 11 to a year group specific information evening. These sessions aim to provide you with key information to help you support your child at these key milestones. Although students are very welcome, these evenings are geared towards providing information for parents only. Students will receive the same information in their assemblies. These events will last approximately 45minutes and entrance is via the side assembly hall door. Please see the information on the flyer above which identifies the dates and times for your child's specific year group event. Year 7 parents please note there are 2 times for you to choose to attend (4pm or 6pm). We hope you will join us on these evenings.

Key Stage 3 Home Learning (Y7 8 and 9) - We will shortly be sharing and launching our revised KS3 Home Learning Programme. Details of this will be shared with students in assemblies and with parents via the parent bulletin. KS3 home learning will officially begin week commencing 15th September.

Parking reminder—For parents/carers picking up and dropping off their child at school, we kindly ask for you to be mindful of not congesting the surrounding roads such as Mackie Drive and Wilken Crescent to ensure that residents' estates and drives are not restricted. Please respect the single yellow line parking restrictions and refrain from parking there at the times stated on the signs.

Behaviour Policy Update

There has been slight adaptations to the behaviour policy. Please see below.

The duration of detentions:

- A break detention will be 15 minutes
- An after-school detention will be 45 minutes or up to 90 minutes
- Accruing two lesson removals will result in a 90 minutes detention
- Truancy from school or lesson will be a 90 minutes detention

If a student fails to attend a detention:

- A break detention = 45 minutes after school
- 45 minutes after school = 90 minutes after school
- 90 minutes = a day in Internal Suspension in addition to the missed 90 minute detention

If a student is absent on the day of the detention, they should complete it on the first day of their return to school. All students will work in silence during the detention.

It is the parent / carer responsibility to ensure that their child completes the detention on the day specified when issued, this includes making any necessary transport arrangements.

Uniform, Appearance and Equipment Expectations reminder

Please see a reminder of the details of our uniform expectations below.

Students must wear:

- A Laurence Jackson School blazer. This is a compulsory item of uniform.
- A Laurence Jackson School year group specific tie. This tie stripe colour will remain with your child throughout their time at school.
- A white shirt, which may be long or short sleeved.
- Black trousers or a jubilee tartan pleated skirt - Trousers may be slim or straight fitting but must not be skin-tight. Jeans, jeggings or leggings, either fitted or flared are not acceptable.
- Black, white or grey socks.
- Jumpers are an optional item of uniform. Students in Key Stage 3 (Years 7, 8 and 9) may choose to wear a plain green V neck jumper under their blazer and in Years 10 and 11 may choose to wear a plain black V neck jumper. A jumper is not an alternative to the school blazer if students wish to wear a jumper, they must wear their blazer as well.
- Footwear must be plain black, sensible and practical - trainers of any kind are not permitted.

Presentation Expectations

Make up should be discrete and false or acrylic or gel nails / nail varnish and false lashes are not permitted. Students may wear a wristwatch (but not a smart watch) and single stud earring in each ear lobe but no other piercings are permitted. Rings, bracelets and necklaces are also not permitted.

Essential Equipment Requirements

Students are required to bring:

- 2 black pens
- 1 green pen
- 1 ruler
- 1 pencil
- 1 eraser
- 1 scientific calculator

Please ensure your child comes to school each day wearing the correct school uniform, essential equipment, the correct PE kit and meeting our presentation expectations. Ensuring that any jewellery, false lashes or nails are removed supports your child to meet our expectations and helps ensure they start each day ready to engage with school and make the most of every opportunity.

Student news to share

We are so proud of Y10 Freya-Mae. In her spare time Freya spends hours designing different hair styles on herself, her many styling heads and relatives, and is hoping to pursue as a career in the future. During the summer holidays Freya decided to cut her hair to help children with cancer. Freya had her hair cut and provided 4 pieces to donate to the *Little Princesses Trust* to be made in to wigs for children. Freya has been fundraising and has raised over £400. Having her hair cut short was a huge thing for Freya to do but such an amazing kind thing to do as well as raising a great amount of money for this wonderful charity. Well done Freya!



Extra curricular Programme—after school activities

We are about to launch our full extra curricular programme for this term!

Next week (week commencing 8th September) our after school sports clubs begin, then activities in other areas will begin in the week commencing 15th September, to be shared in next week's bulletin. For sporting activities, students need to change into their correct PE kit and wear suitable footwear.

Day	Activity	Who For?	Venue
Monday	Football	Year 7 and 8 Boys and Girls	Astro Turf Pitch
Tuesday	Football	Year 7 and 8 Boys and Girls	Astro Turf Pitch
	Netball	All Years Boys and Girls	Sports Hall
Wednesday	Football	Year 9 and 10 Boys and Girls	Astro Turf Pitch
	Sports Hall Athletics	All Years Boys and Girls	Sports Hall
	Fitness Gym	Year 9 and 10 Boys and Girls	Fitness Suite
Thursday	Trampolining	All Years Boys and Girls	Sports Hall
	Badminton	All Years Boys and Girls	Sports Hall
	Fitness Gym	Year 7 and 8 Boys and Girls	Fitness Suite
Friday	Football	Year 10 and 11 Boys	Astro Turf Pitch

Students are to go straight to the sports centre at the end of school to change into their PE kit and suitable footwear.
All Sports Clubs finish at 4pm

