

Dear Parent or Carer,

It has been lovely to welcome and to get to know your children as they join the Barnwood Park family. They are now all finding their way around and getting used to the systems and routine. I have been delighted to see that they have risen to the challenges and are focussed on learning.



COVID-19

Like us, I'm sure you're keen that your children remain in school this academic year and we want to remind you to please continue to use lateral flow tests on a Sunday and Wednesday (twice weekly) and record the results on the links below. Please inform school of the test result using this link. <http://bit.ly/studentcovidtestresults>

You will also need to log the test results with the NHS via the gov.uk website as well. <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>

Students who test positive in either of their lateral flow tests **should not attend school** and will need to isolate for 10 days and book a PCR test to confirm the positive result. If your child is unable to attend school, please inform school using attendance@barnwood-park.gloucs.sch.uk.

Reports and Parents Evenings

KS3 reports will be sent home twice a year, in Term 3 and Term 6. Both reports will show progress in each of their subjects and tutor comments. There will be no subject comments in KS3. Over the next few weeks students will have assessments in English, Maths and Science, called GL Assessments, to give us information about what they know and can do already. They will also have reading assessments. It is important that students try their best in these assessments. The outcomes will help teachers and the school to meet the needs of students better, and because these assessments will be repeated later in the year, we can measure the progress each student makes in Year 7. Reports will also include information of GL Assessment outcomes.

If you have any concerns about your child's progress in any subject, please contact their tutor in the first instance, or Mr Fuller, Deputy Headteacher sfuller@barnwood-park.gloucs.sch.uk if your concern is not resolved.



Parents' Evenings:

Year 7: Tutor Evening in Term 1, all Subject Teachers Parent's Evening Term 5 (May).

Year 7 students will be having a Parents' Evening meeting with their tutor during the weeks of 4th and 11th October to discuss their start at Secondary school. This is a great chance to let us know how you feel your child is settling in and ask any questions that may have arisen during the first month.

This will be using the SchoolCloud online parents' evening software, which is web-based and can be accessed via phone or computer. Details about how to create your account and make an appointment at a time to suit you during the weeks of 4th to 11th October will be sent soon.

We expect Parents' Evenings to remain online at least until Christmas with COVID cases remaining high to help maintain safety of parents, students and staff.

Leaving school

A reminder that school finishes for KS3 at 2.55pm. I would ask when collecting your child at the end of the day that you consider our local community and reflect our 3 Guiding Principles of 'Show respect for others, do acts of kindness and live without harming others'. Please do not park on the zigzags as they are there for the safety of our students, or in front of driveways to allow access to residents, please slow down and maintain an appropriate speed to keep people safe. We understand that the traffic is busier at present with less people wanting to risk public transport in COVID times and as parents you want to see your child's first few days at school, but please where possible, encourage them to walk or cycle to school. If you are collecting them from school, please use the other pick up points to reduce congestion such as York Road (left out of the alley access), Coney Hill Rugby Club or the church or arboretum parking.

The Canteen

We have been informed that a few Y7 students have struggled to get food at lunch with busy queues. We have added extra staff and senior students to duty teams to support this, improved signage to make systems clearer and allowed Y7 students to start lunch 5 minutes earlier from this week, to have early access to collect their food.

Miss Foster – Pastoral Leader for Y7

I am extremely proud of how your children have transitioned to Barnwood Park and how they already feel a part of our family. With such a difficult year for them, and yourselves leading up to their start, being unable to visit and then losing the induction days, they have coped with maturity and enthusiasm.

I hope they all continue to make the most of their journey here, taking part in all of the opportunities available to them. They should be very proud of themselves.

Satchel One

Homework at Barnwood Park is set using Satchel One. Parents/Carers can download the App and set themselves up (If your code expired or got lost before you managed to create an account: ask your child to log in to their account on a web browser and go to [Account Settings](#)).

Parents/Carers will then receive notifications of Homework, House points and Detentions.



Staying in touch

Below are some pictures from the student's first week in school. You can also stay up to date with events and notifications via our Facebook and Instagram accounts.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BarnwoodParkschool/>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/barnwoodparksch/>

The first point of contact for communication is your child's form tutor and their email addresses are as follows:

7A – Mrs Petrie – rpetrie@barnwood-park.gloucs.sch.uk

7S – Miss Hutchinson – hhutchinson@barnwood-park.gloucs.sch.uk

7P – Miss Searle – hsearle@barnwood-park.gloucs.sch.uk

7I – Mr Edwards – kedwards@barnwood-park.gloucs.sch.uk

7R – Mr Heppner – dheppner@barnwood-park.gloucs.sch.uk

7E – Mrs Jadwat – kjadwat@barnwood-park.gloucs.sch.uk

Extra-curricular Clubs

Attached is the extra-curricular activities schedule for this term and we encourage all students to participate in as many as possible to make new friends, find new interests and develop new or existing skills. There is a range of clubs across lunchtimes and after school. These clubs change every term.

Kind regards

Mr Albon

BARNWOOD PARK - Extra-Curricular Activities - Term 1 & 2 2021

	Lunchtime	Staff Member	After School	Staff Member
Monday	Drama club (Year 7/8/9)	MJ	Homework Club	KMG
	Chill Club (Year 7/8) Library	LSC and Sarah Beale	BPAC Dance Company (Auditions Only) 3-5pm	DKN & ESA
	Math Homework Club C26 Lunch 1 12.20-12.50 (Year 7/10/11) Lunch 2 12.50 - 13.20 (Year 8/9)	CT	Exam Drop In Session- Term 2 (Year 11) - 3.15-4.15pm	MS
	Dance Club (Year 7/8) Homework Club (Year 7/8) - Library	DKN		
Tuesday	Book Group (Y9)	LSC	Drama club (Year 7/8/9)	MJ
	Badminton	RA	Homework Club	KMG
	Christian Union (Y7/10/11) - C20	GK	Rugby - (Year 7/8)	MM
	Dance Club (Year 9/10)	DKN	Netball - (Year 7/8)	SO/RA
	Homework Club (Year 8/9) Library		Child Development (Year 10/11) J5	NH
Wednesday	Drama Club (Year 10/11)	MJ	Drama Club (Year 10/11)	MJ
	Badminton	SO	Homework Club	KMG
	Dance Club (Year 11)	DKN	Glee Club	SPU
	Homework Club (Year 9/10) Library		Math Intervention (Year 11) Foundation - C26 Higher - C22	Foundation - SST Higher - CT
Thursday	Book Group (Week B - Y11)	LSC	Homework Club	JH
	Indoor Football	MM	Rugby - (Year 9/10)	MM
	Tuxe Boys Company	DKN & ESA	Netball - (Year 9/10/11)	SO/RA
	Homework Club (Year 10/11) Library		KS3 Ukulele club	SPU
			Crochet Club	CDE
			Evolve Dance Company (Auditions Only) 3-5pm	DKN & ESA
Friday	Indoor Football	RA		
	Homework Club (Year 7/11) Library			

Staff Details					
MJ	Miss Jones	SO	Miss Owen	CT	Mrs C Taiwo
KMG	Mrs Green	SPU	Mr S Pugh		
GK	Mr Kane	JH	Mr J Hall		
RA	Mrs Aboud	CDE	Mrs C Della		
MM	Mr Mason	NH	Mrs N Hanlon		
LSC	Mrs Scanlan	SST	Ms S Stanton		







