



Sponne School
A Music & Science Academy

Dream Believe Achieve

Friday 1st September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

RE: New School Year

Welcome back to the start of a new academic year at Sponne School. I hope that you and your families have managed to find time to enjoy the summer weather during the break.

You will have heard or seen in the news this morning that over 100 schools in England have been told by the Department for Education to shut buildings that contain a particular type of concrete. I can reassure you that we have had a survey carried out during the holiday and that none of this has been detected in our buildings. We are therefore unaffected by this situation and can open as planned next week.

We have training days for staff on Monday and Tuesday and then on Wednesday we welcome Years 7 and 12 back to school at 8.45 am. Year 7 students should make their way to the assembly lines outside the school hall and Year 12 students need to go to the sixth form centre. Normal lessons will begin at the start of period 2.

On Thursday all students return to school and should make their way to their form rooms for period 1 except for Year 11 who will have an assembly at 8.45 in the school hall and Year 13 who need to meet in the sixth form centre.

Timetables have been sent to students or can be accessed on Go4Schools and students should ensure that they have the equipment they'll need for their first day and also their full school uniform. If there are any issues with late delivery of any items please write a note for your child to bring into school with them.

We were very pleased with students' results at both GCSE and A-Level and I have no doubt that this will be another positive and successful year. A reminder that our ethos, to **Dream**, to **Believe** and to **Achieve**, looks to enable all students and staff to make the most of their opportunities and be the best they can be. Please do not hesitate to contact us at school if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

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