



Sponne School
A Music & Science Academy

Dream Believe Achieve

September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome

Welcome to year 7! I hope all of you have had a relaxing summer break. It was lovely to meet so many of you at the welcome evening last week. September brings the start of many new exciting opportunities. The first week went by very smoothly and the students have settled into lessons extremely well; many students have received a number of sparks for their excellent work and attitude to learning. Mrs Whitbread (Assistant Progress Learning Leader), Ms Bhakta (Senior Leadership link) and I have already been round to lessons and it was so pleasing to see the positive start the year group have made by engaging with their learning. We aim for all students to have a positive transition but we understand there may be a few issues adjusting and we are here to help and support them to get it right. It is really important to me that year 7 understand that it is okay to make mistakes as long as we take responsibility and learn from it. Throughout this year we will take every opportunity to celebrate success; both in school and outside school. Please feel free to email me any achievements accomplished outside of school.

Organisation and homework

Teachers have started to give homework to students, this will be recorded on Go for Schools (G4S) for students and parents to view, along with details of the task, deadline and recommended length of time for completion. This will allow you to have the information needed to enable you to support them from home, you do not need to be able to do the homework but support them in accessing support by encouraging them to look through their book or contacting their teacher.

The learning resources centre (LRC) is open from 8am-4:30pm, offering a quiet place to study for students who prefer to do their homework in school. We also offer a KS3 Homework Club, after-school until 4:30pm, on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Well organised students consistently do well at Sponne. Please encourage your young person to get into good habits to help themselves. Please encourage your young person to work hard and talk to their teachers if they need any help.

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Uniform

As we continue to uphold the school's high standards, we kindly remind you of the importance of ensuring your child follows the uniform policy. Please make sure that students wear their blazers to school each day, as this is a key part of our uniform. Additionally, shirts should be neatly tucked in at all times to maintain a smart appearance. Long acrylic nails are not permitted as they pose a health and safety risk. Your support in reinforcing these expectations helps foster a sense of pride and discipline within the school community. Some students have mislaid their belongings, please ensure all your child's possessions are labelled. Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Form Tutors

Form tutors are the first point of contact. Should you have any worries or concerns then please contact them via email or telephone where they will be happy to help in any way they can; their email addresses are listed below.

Key date: Thursday 24th October - Year 7 Pastoral evening. This will be an opportunity for you to meet form tutors 1:1, more details to follow.

Should you require any support as a parent, please contact Ana Lopes, who is our Parent Support Advisor - alopes@sponne.org.uk.

I am really looking forward to a wonderful year with a fantastic year group who have made a brilliant impression on all staff.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Machon, Mrs Whitbread and Ms Bhakta

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