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Welcome to Year 9

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What will you find in this presentation?

- Day 1 structure
- Arrival at school
- Equipment
- Uniform
- Break times and the canteen
- COVID-19 Safety Measures



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Firstly, I hope you had a wonderful summer!

Even though it was quite different to what we are used to, I hope you took time to relax and prepare for this academic year.

We are back to business and have to make this year your best one yet.

COVID-19 has not gone away so school will be different to what you are used to. Everything in place is for yours and your teachers safety, it is not a choice to comply with the rules.

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Day 1

- Year 9s first day is **Friday 4th September**
- You are to go **directly to the sports hall**
 - You **must not** hang around by the shops, front of school, buses, under the covered way, in corridors or classrooms etc. You go directly to the sports hall.
- You will have an assembly in the sports hall, and then be taken to your tutor rooms to receive your timetable etc.
- You will follow your normal timetable from period 2
 - Bring your PE kit just in case

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Arrival at school – day 1

- When you arrive on school site there will be hand sanitiser available, **you must sanitise your hands upon arrival**
- If you have worn a disposable mask on your way to school then you need to dispose of it in the bins provided
- **Reminder: you must not hang around outside, you must go directly to the sports hall on day 1**

Arrival at school – ongoing from 7th September

- When you arrive on school site there will be hand sanitiser available, **you must sanitise your hands upon arrival**
- If you have worn a disposable mask on your way to school then you need to dispose of it in the bins provided
- **Reminder: you must not hang around outside, you must go directly to your tutor room**
- Your tutor bases and tutors have all remained the same:

| Tutor group | Tutor | Email | Room |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|--|------|
| 9A | Mrs. A. Spencer | aspencer@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk | E1.1 |
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| 9C | Miss. D. Taylor | dtaylor@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk | E1.3 |
| 9D | Mr. S. Maskell | smaskell@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk | E1.4 |
| 9E | Miss. K. Ridgers | kridgers@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk | E1.5 |
| Additional team members | Ms. M. Simpson Ms. A. Wellman | msimpson@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk awellman@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk | |

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Equipment

BLACK = these are a minimum

RED = desirable items

- You need to bring your own equipment to school, including:
 - 2 blue or black pens
 - Pencil
 - Ruler
 - Calculator
 - Rubber
 - Highlighter
 - Protractor
 - Compass
 - Pencil sharpener
 - Glue
 - Colouring pencils

Due to COVID-19 the sharing of items is prohibited.

It is more important than ever that you come to school fully equipped.

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Uniform

- The uniform must be worn with consideration of self image and the reputation of the school.
- Students are expected to take pride in their appearance
- The tie should be worn high to the neck with the College Stripe clearly visible below the knot.
- Shirts should be tucked in.
- **Blazer is not** required until further notice
- Under no circumstances will we allow the school badge to be modified in any way.
- Shoes should be black, without a logo and able to be polished
- The school tie can only be modified to take account of school 'colours' and 'half colours' which are awards based on merit.

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Uniform (2):

Hair Style and Colour

Hair should be one uniform/natural colour. Full/partly shaven heads below a grade 1.5, or patterns cut into hair/eyebrows, will not be acceptable. Hair accessories only in Navy and Black. It is the school who will determine whether the colour and/or grade of shaving will be acceptable or not and in matters of dispute the decision of the senior staff will be final.

Nails

Coloured nail varnish, acrylic nails or false nails of any type will not be acceptable, and students will be asked to remove as soon as possible.

Jewellery: Students are allowed one small stud in each ear lobe. This is the only acceptable form of body piercing.

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Uniform (3):

Any student who arrives out of uniform; in unsuitable uniform; wearing inappropriate jewellery; or with an unsuitable hairstyle or hair colour may be **removed from lessons** and their parent/carer contacted. A record will be made in a student's file. If a student persistently ignores the uniform code, the school will need to employ further sanctions.

The Emmbrook School Uniform & Dress Code Policy

Uniform Policy: As Publicised (clearly posted around the school and in school literature)

Rationale: Emmbrook School insists on high standards of uniform. It is important that students take pride in their appearance and are aware of the impression their appearance makes within the community. Emmbrook School seeks to promote a sense of belonging and shared identity through the implementation of its uniform policy.

The Headteacher will be the arbiter in all matters relating to uniform, dress and appearance. Parents/carers and students are advised to consult the Headteacher, Deputy Headteacher, or a member of the School Leadership Team, if they are considering uniform, dress or appearance changes that might conflict with the school policy.

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Dress Code:

The uniform must be worn with consideration of [self image](#) and the reputation of the school.

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Hoodies are not allowed. They will be confiscated.

Non-Emmbrook jumpers are not allowed.



Break times

- Year groups will have different break times throughout this academic year. Year 9 break times are as normal:
 - Break 1: 10:55 – 11:15
 - Break 2: 13:25 – 13:50
- Year 9 will be allowed in the main canteen to purchase hot and cold food at break 2 only.
 - The **hall and top playground** are the **ONLY TWO PLACES** that you can go at break time. This is for your safety.
- Food will only be available for Year 9 to buy at second break. Year 9 are not allowed in the canteen at first break (Year 7 will be using it).
- The coin machine is not available in the canteen, your parents need to load your account online at home.

COVID-19 Safety Measures

- There are hand sanitiser stations around the school, you must make use of these, particularly upon arrival at school, entry and exit of a building.
- When you enter and exit classroom you will:
 1. Sanitise
 2. Wipe down your desk and chair
 3. If you use a computer/laptop or any other equipment then you must wipe it before and after use
- Movement around the school has been modified:

Keep Left, Single File & Give Way

Simple systems to keep us all safe

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Movement around the school:

- Running is not allowed within the building *at any time*
- Sitting or standing around in corridors at break-time is **not allowed**
- You are either in the **hall** or on the **top playground** at break-time
- The hall stage is out of bounds. **Do not go on it.**
- Classrooms are out of bounds during break-time
- **Movement systems must be followed at all times**

We share the space around school. **Be considerate**

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Finally, I cannot wait to see you all on Friday!

Stay safe and stay healthy, we are all looking forward to having you back after such a long time.

If you are feeling a little worried or have any questions then just email me or your tutor and we will do our best to answer any questions you have.

Remember that we are here for you and if you would like to talk to anyone then there are lots of us available to listen.

Enjoy the last few days of your summer!

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