Carshalton Boys Sports College

Newsletter

SEPTEMBER 2026

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Carshalton Boys

...making a difference post-16

Sixth Form
OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 14th October 2026
5.00pm till 7.00pm

86% Students achieved A-C*
Average Level 3 Grade Distinction

BOTH MALE & FEMALE
EXTERNAL APPLICANTS WELCOME

Male & Female Football Academy Trials Date TBC

Carshalton Boys Sports College
Winchcombe Road, Carshalton SM5 1RW
T: 020 8714 3100
E: contact@carshaltonboys.org

"Students in the Sixth Form made good progress across a range of subjects…Destinations demonstrate progression into suitable and aspirational careers and employment."

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Interested in joining the CBSC Family?

Please see all vacancies on our School Website HERE

PARENT SURGERY

Every morning, 7.30–8.00am. No appointment needed.

REPORT AN ABSENCE

attendance@carshaltonboys.org or via MCAS.

Principal's Welcome

As we begin the 2026–27 academic year, we want to say how impressed we have been with how our students have returned this term. It has been wonderful to see our Year 7s settling into secondary school life, and our Year 12s adjusting well to the step up into sixth form.

We also want to congratulate all our students on their success in this summer's exams. A huge well done goes to our Year 11 and sixth form students — CBSC continues to go from strength to strength, with fantastic results and another cohort of students securing places at university. We could not be prouder of them.

At Carshalton Boys, our primary goal is to improve the life chances of our young people. Our dedicated staff work hard to support students and their families through challenges and celebrate their successes.

This year we have a major focus on Attendance, Teaching Strategies and Inclusion, in order to raise student attainment and 'close the gap'

Our work is guided by our We Believe Principles, which are crucial to everything we do, and by our mantra of the 3Rs: Respect, Responsibility and Resilience. We encourage families to apply these principles at home too, as part of our shared mission.

Fostering strong relationships between school, family and child is key to our success. As Co-Principals, we are committed to being accessible to you. We invite parents and carers to our daily surgery, held every morning from 7.30–8.00am, to discuss any concerns without needing an appointment.

Simon Barber & Jenny Gaylor

Co-Principals

DIARY

Key Dates This Term

Date	Event
Monday 14 September	Year 13 Pathways Evening
Thursday 17 September	Open Evening, early finish for students
Friday 18 September	Late start following open evening (9.45am)
Monday 28 September	Autumn enrichment for Year 7 & 8 starts
Tuesday 6 October	Year 12 Information Evening
Thursday 8 October	Year 8 Information Evening
Wednesday 14 October	Year 11 Information Evening
Wednesday 14 October	Sixth Form Open Evening *(for Year 11 students and CBSC Year 10 students)*
Friday 16 October	Last day of the half term
Monday 2 November	First day of the half term
Thursday 5 November	Year 7 Pastoral Evening
Thursday 3 December	Year 13 Parents' Evening
Friday 18 December	Last day of term

The Year 7 and 8 enrichment programme for the Autumn term will commence from late September.
Your child will be asked to select a minimum of one enrichment club to participate in each week. These run from 3-4pm.
More detailed information has been sent to parents/carers

** Note some dates are subject to change, please monitor your communications from the school*

TERM DATES The full calendar for 2026–27 is on the school website HERE

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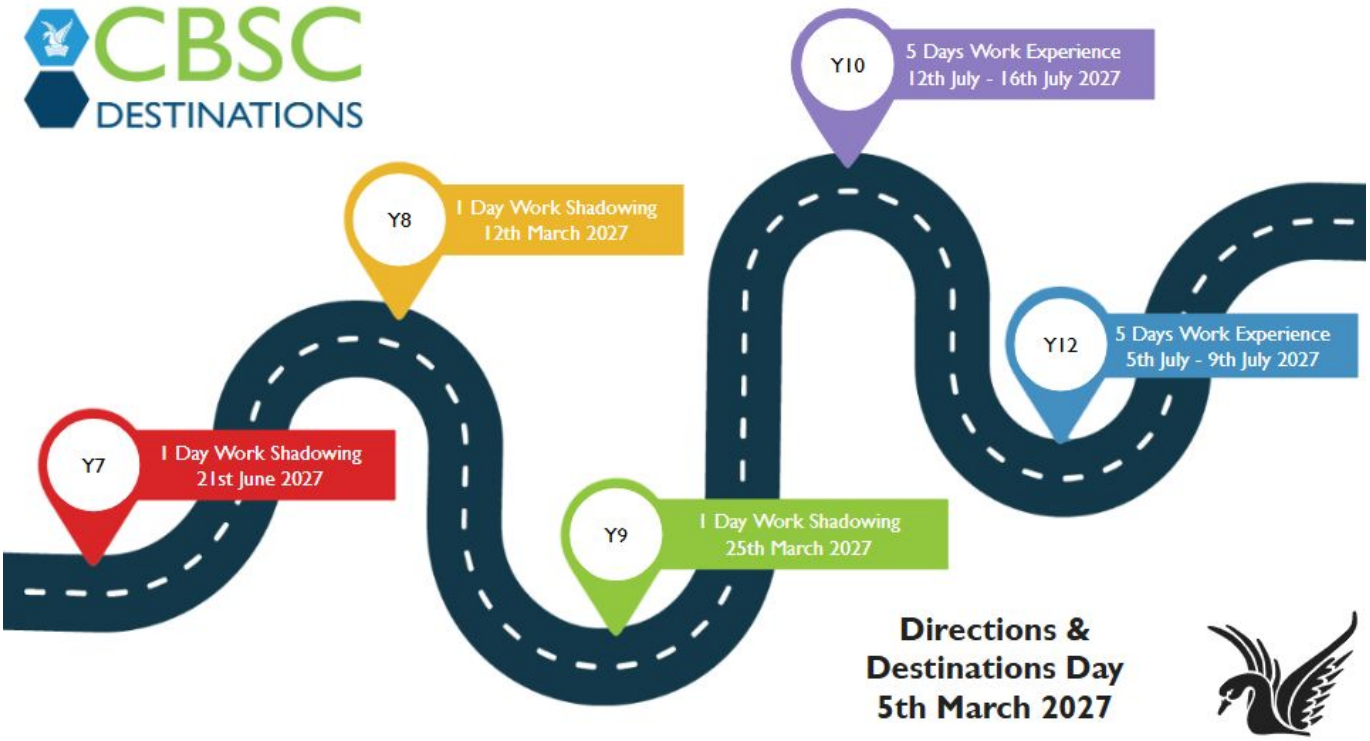
Work Shadowing & Experience Dates



This year, students across several year groups will be involved in work experience or work shadowing, giving them valuable insight into the world of work:

- Year 7, 8 & 9: 1 day work shadowing
- Year 10: 5 days work experience
- Year 12: 5 days work experience

Please see the attached graphic for specific dates. Further details, including how to organise and secure a placement, will follow in more detailed communications nearer the time.

In the meantime, if you have any questions, please email contact@carshaltonboys.org

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Attendance

Reporting Absences

To report a student absent from school, for any reason, please email attendance@carshaltonboys.org or send a message via the My Child At School app (MCAS).

This includes messages regarding:

- a student who is going to be absent from school (please include the reason for the absence)
- a student has an appointment either on the day or in the future
- is going to be delayed in coming into school
- needs to leave early for an appointment (medical etc)

ATTENDANCE POLICY

All school Policies can be found on our website HERE

SECTION NAME

Safeguarding

As part of the Extended Services for schools, we believe in signposting information for young people and families so that they can get the best help and support. Please note that this information is correct at the time of posting, and 'best efforts' will be made to keep the details up-to-date.

Click on an item in the menu for a directory of useful phone numbers and email addresses for support services, agencies and helplines.

If you are concerned about the safety of a child, or a student has disclosed to you,

YOU MUST EMAIL safeguarding@carshaltonboys.org (our external safeguarding email) AND FOLLOW UP BY SPEAKING TO ONE OF THE PASTORAL TEAM BELOW.

Students, Parents and visitors can report incidents via **Report it Sort it** if they are outside school hours, or they can speak to the safeguarding team directly if on site.

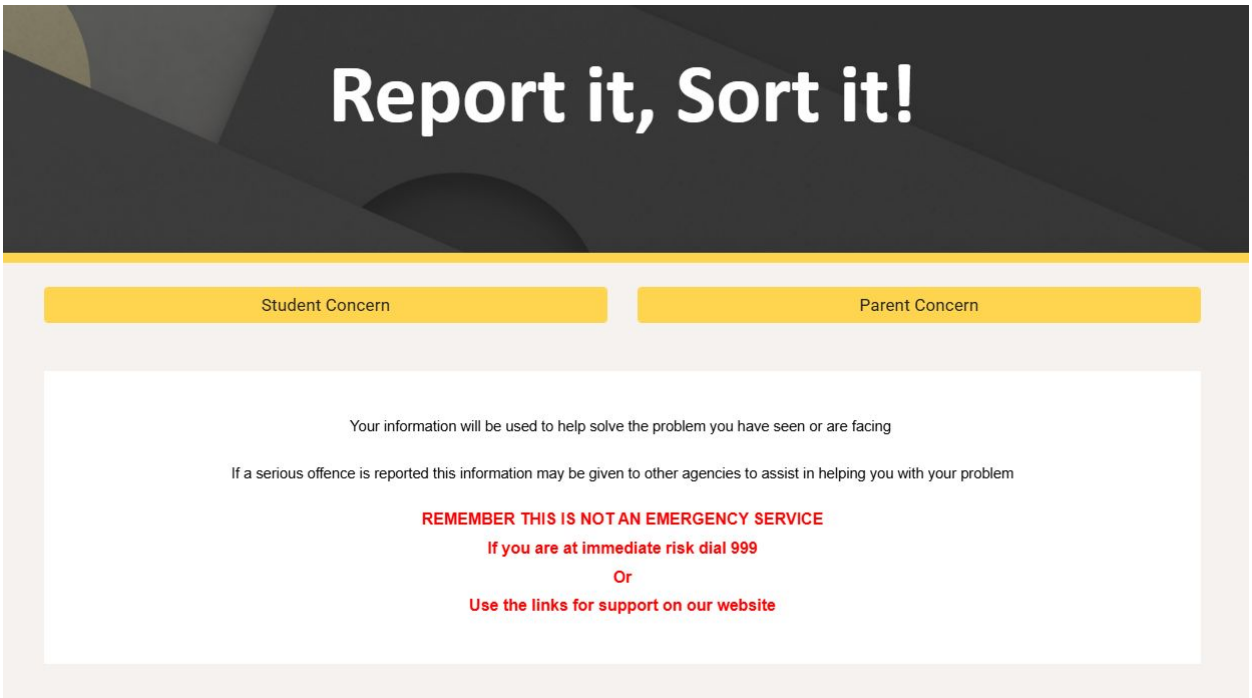
Designated Safeguarding Lead & Deputy Head
Paul Avery
pavery@carshaltonboys.org

REPORT IT SORT IT BUTTON

Link HERE: https://reportitsortit.cbsc.co.uk/

SAFEGUARDING POLICY

All school Policies can be found on our website HERE



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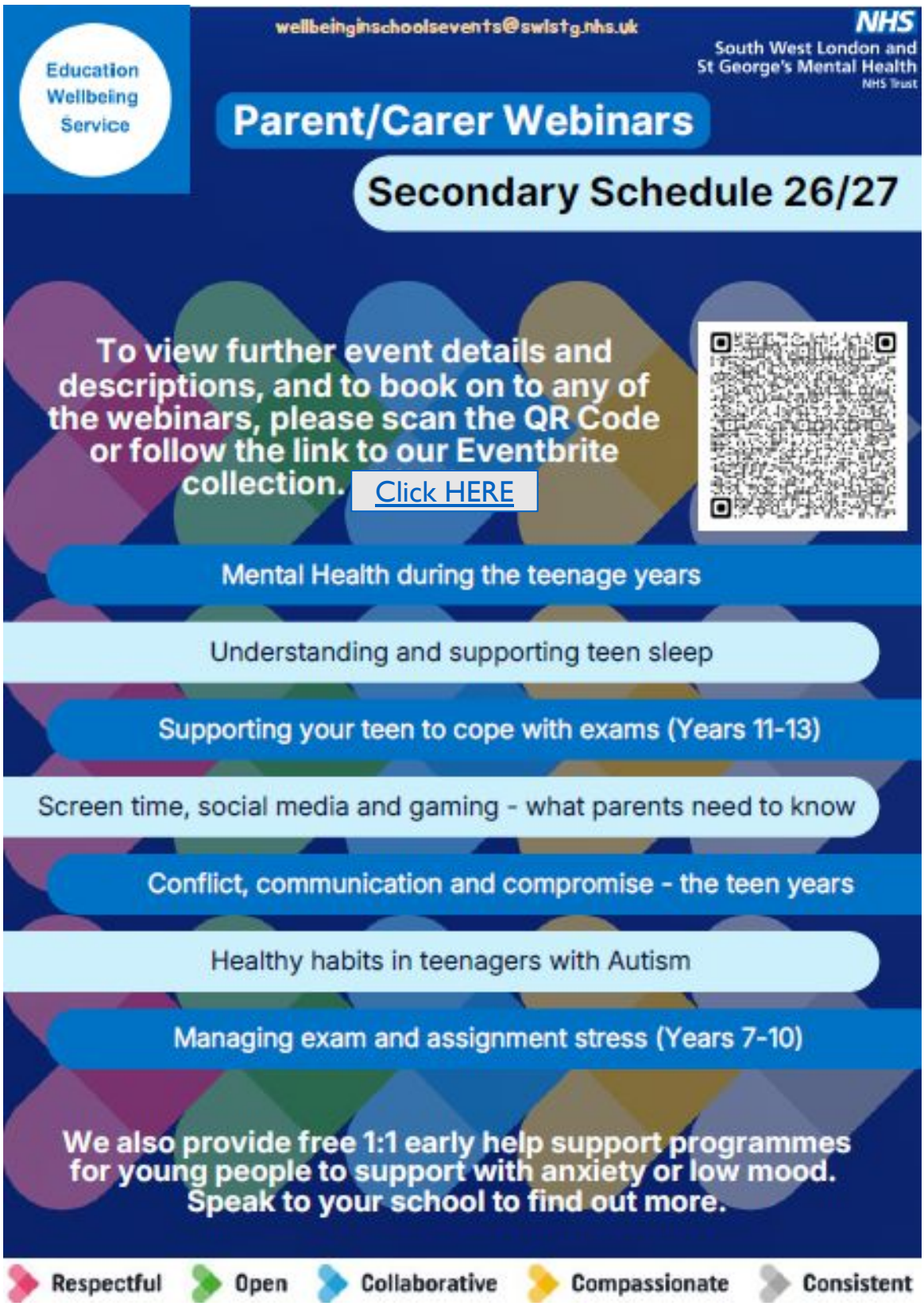
Wellbeing

To book your place, please follow the link HERE



Open Evening *Incoming Year 7*

A reminder that our annual Open Evening for prospective Year 7 students (September 2027 entry) takes place this Thursday 17 September, 4:00pm–7:30pm.

A few key points:

- Students will be dismissed at 1:20pm on the day.
- There will be a late start on Friday 18 September – all students to arrive by 9:45am and go straight to registration.
- Year 8, 12, 13 students and our POWER representatives are expected to help as tour guides or with department support, and should be back on site by 4:30pm (4pm for POWER reps).
- Full school uniform is required for Years 7–11; Sixth Form should be smartly dressed.

This information was sent home in a letter last week – please refer to that for full details, including the consent/opt-out forms. Any questions, contact contact@carshaltonboys.org .

WHO TO CONTACT

Key Contacts

Year 7 Team Head of Year Mr Watkins LeadershipYear07@carshaltonboys.org	Year 8 Team Head of Year Miss McConnell LeadershipYear08@carshaltonboys.org
Year 9 Team Head of Year Mr Marrs LeadershipYear09@carshaltonboys.org	Year 10 Team Head of Year Mr Wadman LeadershipYear10@carshaltonboys.org
Year 11 Team Head of Year Mrs Howard LeadershipYear11@carshaltonboys.org	Sixth Form Team Head of Year Mr Earley & Mrs Ellis LeadershipSixthForm@carshaltonboys.org

SAFEGUARDING
safeguarding@carshaltonboys.org
reportitsortit.cbsc.co.uk

ATTENDANCE
attendance@carshaltonboys.org or a message via MCAS

Contacting your Child Tutor

Tutors are key to supporting your child's education and well-being. To contact your child's tutor, please use the email addresses below. This ensures your message reaches both the tutor and the year team (Head of Year and Pastoral Support Officer).
Important: To prevent important information from being missed, please do not email staff members directly.

For example, if your child is in tutor group 7A, the email address will be: tutor07A@carshaltonboys.org. Note, there needs to be a '0' in front of Year 7 - 9

These emails will be live from next week.

Work Outside the Classroom

Welcome to the New Academic Year: Introducing Our Refreshed Approach to Work Outside the Classroom (WOTC)

This year we're refreshing our approach to homework, now called Work Outside the Classroom (WOTC). The focus, especially in Key Stage 3, is on high-impact vocabulary and reading tasks rather than traditional worksheets — research shows strong vocabulary and reading skills are the foundation of academic success across every subject.

Key Stage 3 (Years 7–9): Students will use Bedrock Learning (vocabulary) and Sparx Reader (reading) each week. Year 7 will build up to this gradually across the year, starting with Sparx Reader only and adding subjects term by term. Years 8 and 9 will have a full weekly timetable from the start. Spanish and French vocabulary work will use Duolingo, Bedrock and Sentence Builder tasks.

Key Stage 4 (Years 10–11): Students will continue with traditional exam preparation and consolidation tasks alongside Sparx Reader. Year 10 will also continue with Bedrock; this stops for Year 11, whose Sparx Reader use will be reviewed after November mocks.

Key Stage 5 (Sixth Form): Students are expected to complete at least 1 hour of independent WOTC for every hour of taught lessons, including reading, consolidation and exam practice.

Across all year groups, students may occasionally receive extra tasks ahead of school assessments.

Full details can be found on our website HERE

Why Bedrock Learning?

Bedrock is an adaptive literacy platform designed to explicitly teach vocabulary, grammar, and disciplinary literacy across the curriculum. Rather than simply memorising definitions, Bedrock uses interactive lessons, authentic narrative and explanatory texts, real human narration, and regular review algorithms to ensure words enter long-term memory.

We appreciate your continued partnership in supporting your child's learning at home. By establishing these regular, high-value habits, we are laying the strongest possible foundation for their academic progress across every subject.

CBSC SIXTH FORM

Student Portal *Bromcom*

Signing In to the School App (Bromcom)

To help your child access the school app, please see the step-by-step guide below. You may also want to ensure the Gmail app is installed on their device, and that they are logged into their @cbsc.co.uk Gmail account. *Our new Year 7 and Year 12 students should have their log in details. If they do not, they need to speak to their tutor. Year 7 have these stuck into their Planners. If students need assistance, they can see Mrs Baker on Reception during break/lunch times or in C01 before or after school (First Aid/Attendance office).*

Signing in via the App:

- Open the app and create a memorable 5-digit PIN
- It may ask whether they'd like to use biometrics/Face ID — this can be turned on if preferred
- Click the green "Sign in with Magic Link" button
- Enter the School ID: 14651
- Enter their CBSC Gmail email address (USERNAME@cbsc.co.uk)
- They will then need to check their Gmail and click the link received from Bromcom
- This will grant access to the app

Signing in via a browser:

- Click the Student Portal button on CBSC Shortcuts https://shortcuts.cbsc.co.uk/
- Click "Sign in with Google"
- Enter their @cbsc.co.uk email address and password
- Press Continue
- They will then be signed in

If you experience any issues, please contact Mrs Baker hbaker@carshaltonboys.org

My Child At School *Parent App*

MCAS is a system designed for parents/carers to do the following

- Check your child's attendance
- Monitor their behaviour
- Look at homework (Work Outside the Classroom - WOTC)
- Order uniform, pay for trips and top up food accounts
- View data that the school holds for you/your child

Please ensure you have signed up to the App, to ensure you can support your child at home with their Work Outside The Classroom and their rewards & sanctions as appropriate

How to Sign Up

You can download the My Child At School app via the Apple App Store or Google Play Store.

Search for '**MyChildAtSchool**' (which will be listed by the publisher Bromcom Computers PLC).

If using a computer, please browse to **https://www.mychildatschool.com/**

1. **If using the app you will be asked to allow it to send you notifications. Please choose "Allow/Yes"**
2. **Select "Self Sign Up" (app) or "Sign Up" website)**
3. **Enter the school postcode (SM5 1RW) and select "continue"**
4. **Enter your email address and select "Sign Up"**

It is important that you enter the email address that you have registered with the school.

You will subsequently receive an email which will enable you to set a password to login to the system.

The first time you login you will be prompted to choose a 5 digit pin that will be used for subsequent logins (instead of your password). If you device supports it, you will also have the option to turn on biometric authentication.

Please see the MCAS Parent Guide for further information and guidance, or visit the following website:

https://docs.bromcom.com/article-categories/for-parents/

YEAR TEAM WELCOME

Year 7

Caption: Photos from summer school 2026, an action packed couple of weeks

A very warm welcome to all our new Year 7 students at Carshalton Boys Sports College!

We are delighted to have you join our school community and are looking forward to getting to know you throughout the year. Year 7 is the beginning of an exciting new chapter, and we are here to support you as you settle in, try new things and make the most of every opportunity. As a school, we believe in treating others with kindness, showing respect and taking pride in everything we do.

As we begin the new academic year, there will naturally be lots to learn and get used to. If you have any questions, concerns or simply need some advice, please speak to your child's tutor or get in touch with a member of the Year 7 team. We are always happy to help.

We hope you have a brilliant first year at Carshalton Boys Sports College and look forward to seeing you grow, succeed and create plenty of positive memories along the way.

Here's to an exciting and successful year ahead!

IMPORTANT DATES

Parents' Information Evening
Wednesday 30 September

Pastoral Evening
Thursday 5 November

Parents' Evening (subjects)
Thursday 10 June

CONTACT

LeadershipYear07@carshaltonboys.org

Head of Year:
Mr Jimmy Watkins
Pastoral Support:
Miss Faye McLellan

YEAR TEAM WELCOME

Year 7 Summer School

Summer school was an amazing successful! The boys got really stuck in and gave it their all.

There was such a wide range of activities such as escape rooms, orienteering, drama, music, rap therapy, dodgeball, EWP session ending the week running around in giant bubbles! Playing Zorb football

YEAR TEAM WELCOME

Year 8

We are delighted to welcome our Year 8 students back for the new academic year. We hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable break and are feeling refreshed and ready for the exciting year ahead.

Year 8 students have already demonstrated strong foundations through the positive habits, high standards and excellent attitudes developed during Year 7. Their respect for others, commitment to learning and a positive approach to school life have provided an excellent platform to build on as they continue into Year 8.

This year is an opportunity for Year 8 students to continue thriving by maintaining high standards in attendance, punctuality, behaviour and learning. Arriving each day prepared, respectful and ready to give their best will help students make the most of every opportunity and continue to grow in confidence, resilience and independence.

Year 8 is an exciting stage as students begin to look further ahead and consider their strengths, interests, and future aspirations. Towards the end of the year, students will begin their GCSE Bridging Pathway, helping them explore the opportunities available to them as they progress throughout the school.

Beyond the classroom, students are encouraged to make the most of the many opportunities available beyond the classroom. Academic enrichment will continue to support their learning, while the wide range of clubs, activities and school experiences provide opportunities to build confidence, resilience, friendships, and new skills.

We look forward to seeing our Year 8 students continue to build on their excellent foundations, embrace new opportunities and thrive throughout another successful and rewarding year.

Thank you for your continued support.

IMPORTANT DATES

Parents' Information Evening
Thursday 8 October

Pathways Evening
Thursday 18 March

Parents' Evening (subjects)
Thursday 6 May

CONTACT

LeadershipYear08@carshaltonboys.org

Head of Year:
Miss Daisy McConnell
Pastoral Support:
Miss Robyn Ellen, Ms Sue Garcia

YEAR TEAM WELCOME

Year 9

Welcome back, Year 9!

It seems like yesterday we were welcoming you all to your first day of Year 7 and here we are two years later…

Time is going incredibly quickly on your CBSC journey, and we want you to consider and reflect on that going into Year 9.

In another two years' time, you will be going into your crucial Year 11 GCSE exam year, and we want you to ensure you take every opportunity to improve to be the best version of yourself.

Year 9 will be a hugely exciting and important year. You will be commencing your Bridge Option subjects, which I know many of you are looking forward to, as well as finalising your GCSE options around Easter time.

A reminder of the P6 you will know be taking every Tuesday to prepare you for further P6 lessons when you get to Year 11. These are compulsory and will be regular lessons, not enrichment.

You will see an increase in expectations on work inside and outside the classroom this year as teachers prepare you for your GCSE courses in Year 10, so it is important you expect these changes and meet them in order to keep up with the demand.

As ever, if you are ever struggling, we are always here to help; don't bury your head in the sand!

There will be plenty of rewards trips, events and prizes throughout the year, so do the right things and you will be recognised!

We are thoroughly looking forward to seeing what Year 9 brings.

Mr Marrs and Mrs Thompson

IMPORTANT DATES

Pathways Evening (subjects)
Thursday 4 March

Parents' Evening (subjects)
Thursday 11 March

CONTACT

LeadershipYear09@carshaltonboys.org

Head of Year:
Mr Matt Marrs
Pastoral Support:
Mrs Emma Thompson

YEAR TEAM WELCOME

Year 10

Welcome back to school! Entering Year 10 is a major milestone—it marks the official start of your Key Stage 4 journey, where your focus shifts toward your GCSEs and building the foundation for your future.

Whatever Key Stage 3 looked like for you, this year is a clean start. You get to decide the standard you set for yourself this year. Remember, GCSE prep is a marathon, not a sprint. Establishing strong study habits, staying organized, and asking questions early will keep stress low and confidence high.

You will be treated with more independence this year, but with that comes the expectation to take ownership of your learning and time management.

Take a deep breath, bring your best effort, and let's make this year count. Welcome back!

IMPORTANT DATES

Parents' Information Evening
Date TBC (Summer Term)

Parents' Evening (subjects)
Thursday 25 February

CONTACT

LeadershipYear10@carshaltonboys.org

Head of Year,
Mr Jack Wadman
Pastoral Support:
Miss Faith Awolope

Year 11

Welcome back, Year 11! We hope you've had a fantastic summer and are feeling refreshed, motivated and ready for an exciting and important year ahead. This is a significant year, filled with opportunities to learn, grow and achieve your very best. As you begin your final year, remember to stay focused, organised and positive. There will be challenges along the way, but with determination, resilience and the support of those around you, you can overcome them. Our staff are here to support you every step of the way, so please let us know if you have any worries, concerns or need any help. Let's make this a successful and memorable year together!

IMPORTANT DATES

Parents' Information Evening
Wednesday 14 October

Parents' Evening (subjects)
Thursday 7 January

CONTACT

LeadershipYear11@carshaltonboys.org

Year 11 Team
Mrs Natalie Howard, Miss Jenny Gaylor, Mr Matt Robinson, Miss Molly Torpey

YEAR TEAM WELCOME

Sixth Form & UCAS

We would like to give a huge welcome to our new Year 12 students joining the CBSC Family, and welcome back our returning Year 13s for the start of a new year. We have a busy term ahead of us, and we cannot wait to see what this year has in store!

Punctuality

Any 6th form students late to school are required to hand their phone into a member of the Attendance or 6th form leadership team. Students will receive their phone back after intervention on that day.

Year 13

Year 13 students commence studies on thursday and will be expected to hit the ground running,. Staff will have robust plans for them and high expectations over the coming weeks and moths in the build up to their A Level exams and NEA (non-examination assessment) completion.

We are still meeting with some students post AS Results. It is imperative that if students have questions, that they discuss these with the 6th form leadership team.

Year 13 — Key UCAS Deadlines

- *8th October — Oxbridge & Medicine Applications for Oxford, Cambridge, and most Medicine, Veterinary & Dentistry courses*
- *23rd November — All Other UCAS Applications. Standard applications for the majority of courses, and CBSC's deadline for equal consideration*

Useful links for parents/carers

- **General Advice Hub:** Access comprehensive information on researching options, preparing for results day, and funding on the UCAS Advice for Parents, Guardians and Carers page.
- **Downloadable Guide:** Get the official Parent, Guardian and Carer Guide which breaks down the entire application cycle, student finance, and accommodation.
- **Expert Podcast:** Listen to episodes covering university applications and results day strategies on the UCAS Parents' Podcast.

IMPORTANT DATES

Year 13 Parents' Information Evening
Monday 14 September

Year 12 Parents' Information Evening
Tuesday 6 October

Year 13 Parents' Evening
Thursday 3 December

Year 12 Parents' Evening
Thursday 4 February

CONTACT

LeadershipSixthForm@carshaltonboys.org

Mrs Paula Cowell
Mrs Lorna Ellis
Mr Brendan Earley
Mrs Sue Barker (PSO)

Cafe & Food

Breakfast 7.30am - 8.15am

Double Breakfast Roll - Sausage/Bacon/Egg or Hash Brown £1.20
Extra items 50p
Slice of buttered toast - 35p
Fresh fruit - Banana, apple or orange - 50p
Fresh fruit box - 80p
Drinks from 60p
Free Bagel & Cereal available

REMINDERS!
WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL - NO NUT BASED PRODUCTS SHOULD BE BROUGHT INTO SCHOOL

PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD'S FOOD ACCOUNTS ARE TOPPED UP

Break 10.55am - 11.20am

Filled Pocket £1.30
Small Sausage roll 50p
Garlic bread 60p
Homemade Soup £1
Pizza slice 80p
Large sausage roll £1.10

Hot Paninis Made Fresh Daily

Choose from our homemade options - Prices start from £1.35
Varieties available: Margarita Pizza, BBQ Chicken, Ham & Cheese.
Available at lunch & break from Refuels

Freshly made Sandwiches, Rolls & Wraps

We offer a great selection supplied by Simply Lunch with prices starting from £1.10 available at lunch & break from Refuels

Lunch 1.20pm - 2pm

Freshly made daily hot meal & pasta bar in the Cafe - £1.50
Weekly menu can be found on the CBSC website

We offer a wide selection of drinks and snacks

Variety of juices/milkshake - 60p
Fresh Milk (1 pint)- 70p
Water - 80p
Fresh fruit - 50p
Fresh fruit box - 80p

**Serving Non Halal & Halal options - Please ask at service counter*

"Pupils are safe, happy and looked after well."

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