

Carshalton Boys Sports College

NEWSLETTER

'Safeguarding the rights of others is the most noble and beautiful end of a human being.' Khalil Gibran

September 2023

Principal's Welcome

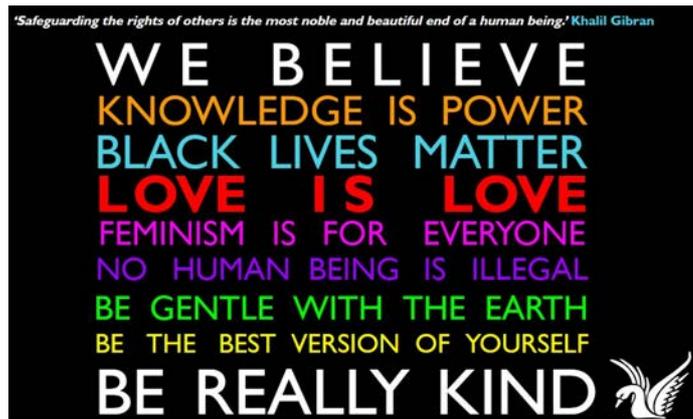


Dear students, staff, and parents & carers,

We are very much looking forward to the start of the 2023-24 academic year which is an exciting opportunity to move forward and make plans for a year in our quest to achieve the best possible outcomes for our young people that lead to improved life chances.

Our We Believe Principles remain at the heart of everything that we do and

it is vital to our success that each member of our community supports and promotes these core values. As a reminder at Carshalton Boys Sports College



Highlights from the Summer Break:

- Y7 Summer School
- ALevel Results
- GCSE Results Day
- Costa Rica Trip

In order to achieve this we work hard to establish strong working relationships between the school, the family and the child. As Principal, I offer a daily surgery where we invite parents to come in, with no prior appointment, to discuss any issues or concerns they may have. This takes place each day between 7.30-8am.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming our new Year 7 and 12 students on Wednesday 6th September at 8.30am and to seeing all of our other students return on Thursday 7th September at 8.30am.

If you have any questions or queries in the meantime, please do not hesitate to get in touch by emailing

contact@carshaltonboys.org.

www.carshaltonboys.org

@carshaltonboys

WE BELIEVE KNOWLEDGE IS POWER, BLACK LIVES MATTER, LOVE IS LOVE, FEMINISM IS FOR EVERYONE, NO HUMAN BEING IS ILLEGAL, BE GENTLE WITH THE EARTH, BE THE BEST VERSION OF YOURSELF, BE REALLY KIND



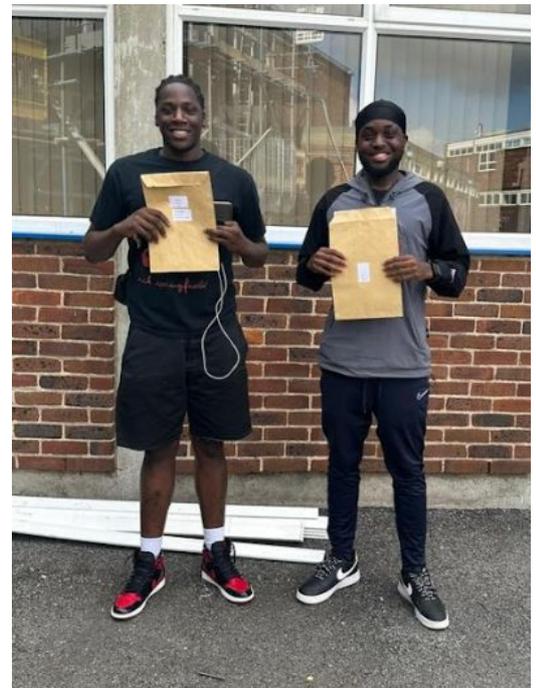
Welcome Back

Exam Results 2023

We are absolutely delighted that our young people achieved some amazing examination results this summer.

Over 90 students have been offered a place at university for Sept 2023 or 2024 entry, the majority of them gaining their first choice, or are heading off to embark on exciting apprenticeships and employment options. We will be including updates on highlighted alumni throughout the year via this half termly newsletter.

At key stage 4 we saw some incredible performances with a large number of students achieving grade 8/9's in all of their subjects. We will be welcoming many of these young people back into our outstanding sixth form this week, and wish all of our other alumni a successful transition into further education or apprenticeships.





Welcome Back

Start of Term Arrangements 2023

The start of a new school year can be an exciting but daunting time for both staff and students. We have worked hard to provide a calm start to the academic year and details of when your child should return to school are outlined below.

| Year Group | Date & Time Starts |
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| Year 7 | Wednesday 6 September 8.30am - please enter via the back gate (on Wigmore Road) where there will be an opportunity to take photos |
| Year 8 | Thursday 7 September Registration in fire drill positions by 8.30am |
| Year 9 | Thursday 7 September Registration in fire drill positions by 8.30am |
| Year 10 | Thursday 7 September Registration in fire drill positions by 8.30am |
| Year 11 | Thursday 7 September Registration in fire drill positions by 8.30am |
| Year 12 | Wednesday 6 September 8.30am - in the Sports Hall |
| Year 13 | Thursday 7 September Registration in fire drill positions by 8.30am |





Welcome Back

Timings of the School Day 2023

The timings of the school day are outlined here.

Students are expected to be on school site by **8.20am at the latest**.



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| Registration | 8.30-8.55 |
| Lesson 1 | 8.55-9.55 |
| Lesson 2 | 9.55-10.55 |
| Break | 10.55-11.20 |
| Lesson 3 | 11.20-12.20 |
| Lesson 4 | 12.20-13.20 |
| Lunch | 13.20-14.00 |
| Lesson 5 <i>Year 7 & 8 will finish 10 minutes earlier</i> | 14.00-15.00 <i>(14.50 for Year 7 & Year 8)</i> |
| Lesson 6 <i>Year 11, 12, & 13 (Monday to Thursday & Year 7-10 extra tuition if required)</i> | 15.00-16.00 |

Uniform

We have worked hard to ensure our uniform is as reasonably priced as possible. We have a selection of pre-loved uniform items which are nearly new and washed and would encourage any family who is struggling with the cost of uniform to contact us and we will do what we can to help.

All students are expected to wear full school uniform. This can be ordered via Wisepay and collected from the school shop. To arrange collection please call 020 8714 3100 or email uniform@carshaltonboys.org.

Please do ensure that all items of uniform are clearly labelled with your child's name.





Uniform & Equipment

Equipment Expectations

Please ensure your child has the following in their school bag everyday

Full (essential) school equipment **inside a pencil case:**

Essentials

- 2 black or blue pens
- 2 Pencils
- Rubber
- Sharpener
- Ruler

Desirables

- Highlighters
- Some colouring pencils
- Maths set
- Calculator

It is also helpful for students to have a pair of headphones with a cable and jack to use in music lessons

CBSC Notebook

Students will be issued with a CBSC notebook for reminders or to take notes where necessary. Students will be required to have this on them at all times.

Work Outside The Classroom (WOTC)

Folders

Students will be issued with a folder to keep all Work Outside the Classroom in. This should help to maintain the presentation of their WOTC. They are required to have this on them everyday.

Timetables

Your child will be issued with a paper version of their timetable. They can keep this safe in their WOTC folder. Students will also find their Timetable on Class Charts

Class Charts

Year 7 will be issued with their Class Charts log in during the first week of term. Any issues as a parent/carer with Class Charts, please email hbaker@carshaltonboys.org

Uniform Expectations

Please ensure your child has the following CBSC School Uniform: Black Leather School Shoes (*trainers are not acceptable. Any student not wearing correct footwear will be provided with a pair of leather shoes to wear for the day*)

CBSC School Blazer

Black Trousers

Black Skirt (*must be of an acceptable length to allow involvement in a wide range of activities during the school day, but maintain modesty. Hem must be on or close to the knee*)

White Shirt (*short or long sleeved*)

School Tie

CBSC School Coat (*for colder/wet weather*)

CBSC School Jumper (*Optional*)

PE Kit Expectations

CBSC PE Shorts

CBSC PE Top

Trainers



If your child is not able to participate in PE, they are still required to bring their FULL CBSC kit with them for their timetabled PE lessons. *Sick or fit bring your kit*

Jewellery

Jewellery is not permitted, including earrings. Students will be asked to remove these

Student Services

Left your pencil case at home? Lost your tie the night before at a fixture? Left your school shoes at home?

Students will be able to borrow items for the day. They must collect this between 8-8.20am

Year 7 Student Services will be in the English Block

Year 8 Student Services will be in the Science block

Year 9-11 will go to the room next to the Mezzanine



Behaviour & Culture

Behaviour

Please find enclosed with this letter a copy of our behaviour policy. *This has been updated in line with Department for Education Guidance which was issued to school in July 2022.* A copy of this document can be found below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/behaviour-in-schools--2>

I'd like to draw your attention to some important areas of this policy

Culture

The DFE State that, 'Well-managed schools create cultures where pupils and staff flourish in safety and dignity. It is particularly important that headteachers lead the creation and reinforcement of this culture, ensuring it permeates through every aspect of school life. Staff should be trained to make sure that they collectively embody this school culture, upholding the schools' behaviour policy at all times and responding to misbehaviour consistently and fairly.'

All pupils at Carshalton Boys Sports College have the right to learn in a calm, safe, and supportive environment which protects them from harm and disruption to learning. Carshalton Boys is a place where all members of the community are expected to behave with consistently high levels of respect for others, commonalities are identified and celebrated, difference is valued and nurtured, and bullying, harassment and violence are never tolerated. This is exemplified through our 'We Believe' principles which permeate through all aspects of the school.



Classroom Expectations

The DFE states that:

[Headteachers] should ensure the school's approach to behaviour meets the following national minimum expectation: pupil behaviour does not normally disrupt teaching, learning or school routines. Disruption is not tolerated, and proportionate action is taken to restore acceptable standards of behaviour; At Carshalton Boys Sports College, behaviour in classrooms is expected to be conducive to allowing all pupils to learn effectively.

Low-level disruption is not tolerated and any incident will be sanctioned if it continues after the teacher has warned the whole class by placing the 'yellow card' on the board.

Staff are trained to understand the needs of the individual pupils that they teach and will make reasonable adjustments to support learners who struggle to regulate their own behaviour.

Mobile Phones



At Carshalton Boys Sports College, in order to promote wellbeing and remove distractions, mobile phones and other digital devices (including headphones) should be turned off and put away safely before entering the school site, and must not be used at any time during the school day unless permission has been granted by a senior member of staff.

We recommend that students in year 7 have a simple 'brick' type phone as they get used to using mobile technology.

An exception to this rule is the use of mobile/digital devices by sixth form students in the cafe for study during any free periods.

Transgression of this rule will result in the device being confiscated for a period of time (normally the end of the school day but may be longer for repeated offences)



Mobile Phones

Article shared in the Guardian Newspaper below on Mobile Phones for young people

If you have decided it is time for your child to have their first mobile phone, or they are due an upgrade, the choice can be bewildering. Technology editor Samuel Gibbs looks at all the options...

A hand-me-down phone

The best option might be the phone you have in your hand, particularly if you are hoping to replace it.

With a little bit of cleaning, a new battery and a decent case, it might just be the ticket, as long as it still has software support

Battery replacements typically cost £50-£100 depending on the model, and your familiarity with it will make it easier to wipe and set up

A basic phone



If it is only for access to calls and texts for arranging pickups and emergencies, then a basic "dumb" phone is the answer. Nokia's 110 and 225 models cost about £20-£50. Whichever you choose, make sure it supports 4G, as 3G services in the UK are gradually being switched off over the next few years.

Budget Android



A budget Android phone could be a good starting point. There is a range of models between £80 and £150 mark that offer a solid experience. They won't be fast but typically have large screens and a decent battery life.

In terms of software support, check how long is left, which at that sort of price is typically inky 2-3 years from the phones first release, not at the point at which you buys in. Make sure good cases are available too and some level of water resistance is a good idea.

Nokia has a range of Androids and offers longer software support than many makers, Its G22 costs about £130, has Android 12 with security updates until April 2026, basic water resistance and can be repaired at home if something gets broken.

Motorola has some equally good-value offerings, The Moto G13 costs about £130 and has Android 13 with security updates until 2026.

The Galaxy A14 might be a better choice if you are a Samsung family - It costs about £150, has Android 13 with security updates until January 2027, and more third-party case options, but lacks any formal water resistance.



Parent & Carers

Role of Parents/Carers

At Carshalton Boys we believe in the power of the tripartite relationships between the school, the child and the family.

The DFE state that: The role of parents is crucial in helping schools develop and maintain good behaviour. To support the school, parents/carers should be encouraged to get to know the school's behaviour policy and, where possible, take part in the life of the school and its culture. Parents/carers have an important role in supporting the school's behaviour policy and should be encouraged to reinforce the policy at home as appropriate. Where a parent/carer has a concern about management of behaviour, they should raise this directly with the school while continuing to work in partnership with them.

At Carshalton Boys Sports College we endeavour to improve the life chances for each young person within our care. Parents/carers can track and monitor their child's progress, behaviour and achievement at school using the **Class Charts App** and we urge all parents/carers to utilise this tool.

If you are unable to login or would like support with using this app, please contact us on contact@carshaltonboys.org and a member of the team will get back to you

Class Charts



At CBSC we use Class Charts to help you keep track of your child's behaviour, view their attendance, access their weekly timetable, view assigned homework (WOTC) tasks, track scheduled detentions and view any announcements from their Head of year or teachers.

New Y7 parents/carers will receive their log in during the first few weeks of term.

Full guidance on how to use the Class Charts App (parent/carers) is [HERE](#)

Please note, Class Charts have 3 different apps on the relevant app store. Please make sure you have downloaded 'ClassCharts Parents' (Green) App for parents/carers or 'ClassCharts Students' (Purple) App for students

If you need any assistance with Class Charts, please contact Hannah Baker on hbaker@carshaltonboys.org

Wisepay



Carshalton Boys operates a cashless site however, if required students can have cash loaded onto their accounts by the finance office.

Please ensure your child has money on their Wisepay account, should they wish to purchase food/ drink, before he arrives at school.

We can also place a spending limit on your child's account to help them budget if this would be helpful. Please do contact us to organise this.



Catering & Cafe Arrangements

Food is an important element of the day. If students are hungry, they find it harder to concentrate and to engage within lessons. We have an amazing, fully qualified chef here at CBSC who provides nutritious and healthy meals at as low a price as possible. We will continue to explore ways to keep costs as low as possible for families.



Cafe Breakfast Service 7.50am-8.20am

A selection of breakfast items available to purchase including double bacon, sausage or hashbrown rolls, toast, fruit and drinks

As part of the National School Breakfast Programme, we offer a bagel and cereal station, where students can enjoy a free bagel or bowl of cereal at breakfast (subject to availability)

Break Time Service 10.55am-11.20am

Cafe - serving a variety of hot snacks including garlic bread, pain au chocolat, sausage rolls, fruit, yoghurt and drinks

Refuels - a selection of sandwiches, hot paninis, fruit, yoghurts and drinks

Lunch Time Service 1.20pm-2pm

Cafe - serving hot main meal and pasta bar daily

Refuels - a selection of sandwiches, hot paninis, fruit, yoghurts and drinks

Free School Meals (FSM) student daily allowance is £2.30. This entitles them to purchase at lunch a main meal, drink and an after school snack

After School Service 3pm-3.15pm

Hub - serving hot snacks including sausage rolls, cheesy bagels and drinks

To give you an idea of daily expenditure, in a typical day a student could buy the following food:

Breakfast - Bagel FREE

Break - Toast 25p

Lunch - Main Meal + Drink -£1.50+50p

After School Snack - 30p

**TOTAL
£2.55**

| 4.09.2023 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Main Meal 1 | Staff Dinners | Staff Dinners | Double sausage Dice potatoes Sweetcorn Peas /Baked beans | Spaghetti Bolognese Garlic slice | BBQ Chicken leg Wedges Peas |
| Pasta Bar | Pasta Bar Crispy Chicken Tomato sauce Bolognese | Pasta Bar Crispy Chicken Tomato sauce Bolognese | Pasta Bar Crispy Chicken Tomato sauce Bolognese | Pasta Bar Crispy Chicken Tomato sauce Bolognese | Pasta Bar Crispy Chicken Tomato sauce Bolognese |
| Vegetarian | | | Veggie Sausages | Veggie Bolognese | Tangy BBQ Vegetables |
| Jackets Potatoes | Beans Cheese | Beans Cheese | Beans Cheese | Beans Cheese | Beans Cheese |
| Snacks | Garlic bread Sausage rolls | Garlic bread Sausage rolls | Garlic bread Sausage rolls | Garlic bread Sausage rolls | Garlic bread Sausage rolls |
| The same selection of panini and sandwiches will be available in all our outlets | | | | | |
| After school Club | Garlic slice 4" sausage roll | Garlic slice 4" sausage roll | Garlic slice 4" sausage roll | Garlic slice 4" sausage roll | Garlic slice 4" sausage roll |

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Key Dates

Parent/Carer Information Evenings

Below are the details for each year group Parent Information Evening. This is a great opportunity for you as parents/carers to understand what will be happening this year with your child and how you can best support them at home.

Please click on the RSVP link to confirm attendance.

If you have any questions about this event, please email contact@carshaltonboys.org

| Year Group | Date & Time | RSVP Link |
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| Year 7 | Tuesday 12th September Y7 Afternoon Tea 3.30pm (parents only) Parents Information Evening 5pm Sports Hall | https://forms.gle/W4LdIYk3fyqgeszn9 |
| Year 8 | Tuesday 3rd October 5.30pm Sports Hall | https://forms.gle/jeAbzcxOkWUhH7P57 |
| Year 9 | Tuesday 26th September 5.30pm Sports Hall | https://forms.gle/piq2HVNoBfg2nHpP6 |
| Year 10 | Wednesday 27th September 5.30pm Sports Hall | https://forms.gle/etxBCkHgVyhnsP5L6 |
| Year 11 | Tuesday 19th September 5.30pm Sports Hall | https://forms.gle/XM3cMYN4MJnzKBrMA |
| Sixth Form | Wednesday 13th September Year 12 will commence at 5.30pm Main Hall Year 13 will commence at 6.30pm Main Hall | https://forms.gle/ykNaAWietVWt3HPM9 |

School Photographs



School photographs will take place on Wednesday 27th September. We will send out a reminder closer to the time and ensure students are informed



Key Dates

Open Evening - Year 6 to 7

Carshalton Boys Sports College

Winchcombe Road, Carshalton, SM5 1RW

Open Evening

For incoming Year 7 September 2024

Thursday 21st September 2023

4:00pm – 7:00pm



We would like to control the numbers on site at any one time and so it is *essential* that you book an arrival time by either visiting our website, or ring 020 8714 3100 or email admin@carshaltonboys.org. Entry times to our Open Evening start at 4:00pm at half hour intervals, the last entry time will be 6.15pm (for a tour only)

We are also holding tours of the school each weekday during the period Monday 25th September – Friday 6th October starting at 9:30am.

If you would like to **book a morning tour** please contact Reception on 020 8714 3100 or email admin@carshaltonboys.org, or complete the google form on our website

Further details can be found on our website www.carshaltonboys.org



Key Dates

Open Evening - Sixth Form

Carshalton Boys

...making a difference post-16



Sixth Form

OPEN EVENING

Thursday, 19 October 2023

5:00pm till 7:00pm

100% A level pass rate

52.9% of students achieved A*–B

BOTH MALE AND FEMALE

EXTERNAL APPLICANTS WELCOME

Football Academy trials *date tbc*

Carshalton Boys Sports College

Winchcombe Road, Carshalton SM5 1RW

T: 020 8714 3100 E: contact@carshaltonboys.org



Key Dates

Trips & Events

Year 11 Spanish Malaga Trip
23rd September - 26th September

Year 10 Spanish Malaga Trip
1st October - 4th October

Year 10 Geography (Block A) Fieldwork
9th October

Year 9 History Battlefields Trip
10th October - 13th October

Year 9 Football Tour to Holland
20th October - 24th October

Year 12 University & Apprenticeship Fair
14th November

Sixth Form Media Trip BFI Newspapers London
14th November

Year 10, Year 11 & Sixth Form Media Trip to
Harry Potter Studios
4th December

Sixth Form Media Trip to BFI Southbank
12th December

Year 8 PGL Trip to Marchants Hill
May 13th - May 15th

If you have any questions about our trips, please
email contact@carshaltonboys.org





Key Dates

Term Dates & Calendar

Carshalton Boys Sports College 2023-2024 School Calendar

| August 2023 | | | | | | |
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| July 2024 | | | | | | |
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- Teaching Days
- Holiday
- Bank Holidays
- CPD Days (All Staff in School)
- CPD (TOIL)
- Yr's 7 and 12 Induction Days
- All students in school at 8:30am



Key Dates

Term Dates & Calendar

We have now shared a Student/Parent & Carer version of our School Calendar on our Website.

This can be found [HERE](#)

This is a working document and as events are planned, the document will be updated

If you have any questions about any upcoming events, please email contact@carshaltonboys.org

| Day | Start/End of term | Assemblies | Parents Evenings | Exams (to be run by exams team) | Events | Trips | Medical |
|------------------------------|--|--|------------------|------------------------------------|---|---|---------|
| Wednesday, 6 September 2023 | Yr 7 & Yr 12 Induction Days | P1 Year 7 Main Hall P1 Y12 Common Room | | | | | |
| Thursday, 7 September 2023 | All years start at 8.30am (Fire Drill positions) | P2 Y8 & Y9 S'Hall | | | | | |
| Friday, 8 September 2023 | All students attend 8.30am | P2 Y10 & Y11 S'Hall | | | | | |
| Saturday, 9 September 2023 | | | | | | | |
| Sunday, 10 September 2023 | | | | | | | |
| Monday, 11 September 2023 | | Sports Hall Out of Use | | Year 7 CATs and NFER reading tests | | | |
| Tuesday, 12 September 2023 | | Sports Hall Out of Use | | Year 7 CATs and NFER reading tests | Yr 7 Afternoon tea 3.30pm / Parents Information Evening 5pm | | |
| Wednesday, 13 September 2023 | | Sports Hall Out of Use | | Year 7 CATs and NFER reading tests | Yr 12/13 Parents Information Evening | | |
| Thursday, 14 September 2023 | | Sports Hall Out of Use | | Year 7 CATs and NFER reading tests | | | |
| Friday, 15 September 2023 | | Sports Hall Out of Use | | | | | |
| Saturday, 16 September 2023 | | | | | | | |
| Sunday, 17 September 2023 | | | | | | | |
| Monday, 18 September 2023 | | Year 07 | | | | CARE residential Trip - Jamie's Farm - Lewes | |
| Tuesday, 19 September 2023 | | Year 09 | | | Yr 11 Parents Information Evening | CARE residential Trip - Jamie's Farm - Lewes Eco Reps - ERF Beddington | |



Notices & Other Events

Costa Rica 2023

Turtles, rice, monkeys, beaches, digging and scuba....the paradise of Costa Rica!

Fifteen of our year 10, 11 and 12 students became Team Guanacaste this July during an incredible four-week expedition to Costa Rica! A rich and fascinating culture, breath-taking beaches, diverse wildlife and a demanding schedule greeted them as they explored this uniquely conservation country.



The students planted vanilla, harvested rice, helped make hot chocolate, came face to face with sea turtles and an array of marine life as they did scuba diving. Conservation was the name of the game as they laid the foundations for a greenhouse to grow native species as part of reforestation work, dug a big hole for a school compost, cleaned beaches, learned about different plastics that pollute our seas and about the plight of sharks. The boys worked tirelessly on the project work and developed their teamwork, organisation, communication and independence. They did this with humour and resilience, helping and supporting each other constantly during the challenging times, embodying the CBSC principles of Being Kind and Be Gentle with the Earth. This experience has made them think about their own roles in looking after the environment and being part of the change for the future.





Notices & Other Events

CBSC Vacancies

Would you like to join the CBSC team?

All CBSC vacancies are shared on the CBSC website

[HERE](#)

Current vacancies

Bank & Exam Invigilators

Trustee/Governor Vacancy

Teacher of Geography

Teacher of Design & Technology

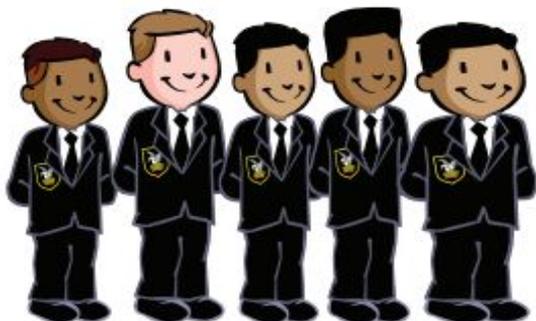
Teacher of History (Maternity Cover)

EAL (English as an Additional Language) Support Assistant

School Uniform Bank

Please see here a link to a school uniform bank that can offer support to families who are having difficulties and they also need second hand uniform so at last we may have somewhere to send all of our lost property!

<https://www.sutton.gov.uk/w/school-uniform-cost>



For the latest News/Events information, please visit the following:



Twitter



Instagram



Threads

[CBSC Website News & Events Page](#)

If you have any News to share about your child, for example, they have won a sporting competition, or done something amazing for charity, and you would like this to be shared in our Newsletter, Website or Social Media platforms, please email some details of this and photos to

news@carshaltonboys.org



YEAR 7

Head of Year: Mr Wadman
Pastoral Support Officer: Miss Awolope
LeadershipYear7@carshaltonboys.org

To our new Year 7's,
A very warm welcome to each and everyone of you as you embark on your next chapter in life. Miss Awolope and I are excited to begin our adventure together with each and every one of you and are thoroughly looking forward to getting to see all of you blossom and succeed at the school.

I would like to take this opportunity to also thank everyone who attended Summer School in August. It was wonderful to see so many pupils (180 in total!) over the two weeks and give you a taste of what secondary school is like. All of the teachers commented on the politeness, enthusiasm and resilience shown in the lessons and activities that you took part in.

The start of the school year is always a busy and exciting time for us all, so if there are any questions or issues that you would like to discuss, please do not hesitate to contact your child's tutor, myself, Miss Awolope, or a member of the school team.

Mr Wadman & Miss Awolope



Trips

The Bushcraft Company Camping Trip: 11-12th July 2024

Following the success of the camping trip for the previous year, we are running the trip for a second year in a row. Details of the trip including costing, and a letter will be sent out to you all over the course of the next few weeks.

Attendance

Attending school is the key to success in school. Pupils with 100% attendance each term will receive a reward. If, for whatever reason, your child is unable to come into school, please contact the office to us know.





YEAR 8

Head of Year: Mr Norton
Pastoral Support Officer: Mrs Howard
LeadershipYear8@carshaltonboys.org

After a well deserved summer break, we are delighted to welcome you back to CBSC. Last year was filled with numerous achievements and successes. It was fantastic to be a part of your transition from primary school to the challenges of secondary school and we're very much looking forward to continuing that journey with you.

It's already looking to be an exciting year with many opportunities on the horizon. One particular highlight is an outdoor activity trip booked for May next year (more to follow on this) which follows on from the enormously successful camping trip which took place during the summer term.

We are very much looking forward to seeing you this week.

Mr Norton and Mrs Howard
Head of Year and Pastoral Support Officer for Year 8



YEAR 9

Head of Year: Mr Szreider
Pastoral Support Officer: Miss McLellan
LeadershipYear9@carshaltonboys.org



Welcome back, Year 9! We hope you had a fantastic and restful summer break, filled with relaxation and rejuvenation. Now, it's time to embark on an exciting and important journey as you begin your GCSEs.

This year marks a significant step in your educational path, and we are here to support you every step of the way. We believe in your potential and know that with hard work, determination, and a positive attitude, you can achieve great success in your GCSEs.

Remember, this is just the beginning of your GCSE journey, and it's a journey filled with opportunities for growth, discovery, and achievement. We are here to support you and look forward to celebrating your accomplishments along the way.

Let's work together to make this academic year a memorable and successful one. Welcome back, Year 9!

We look forward to seeing you all on Thursday.

Mr Szreider & Miss McLellan



YEAR 10

Head of Year: Miss Torpey
Pastoral Support Officer: Ms Garcia
LeadershipYear10@carshaltonboys.org

Welcome back, Year 10! We are thrilled to have you back for another exciting academic year filled with endless possibilities. As we step into this fresh start, let's do so with an abundance of positivity and enthusiasm. Together, we'll navigate the challenges, celebrate the victories, and continue to grow both academically and personally. It's important to remember that this year, we expect all Year 10 students to wear black ties as a symbol of your leadership and responsibility within the school community. Additionally, please ensure that you have all the necessary equipment neatly organized in your pencil case to aid your learning journey efficiently. As a reminder, trainers are not part of the school uniform, so let's all strive to maintain our uniform standards and create a respectful and focused learning environment. Here's to an amazing year ahead—let's make it a memorable one!



Miss Torpey
Year 10 Head of Year

YEAR 11

Head of Year: Miss McGrath
Pastoral Support Officer: Mrs Thomposon
LeadershipYear11@carshaltonboys.org

Lesson 6 Expectations

The timetable for Year 11 students is extended by one lesson everyday Monday to Thursday and run from 3pm - 4pm. These lessons are compulsory to allow for additional curricular time and independent study.

Detentions and interventions will be run after 4pm and so students may be required to remain at school until 5pm. Detentions and interventions that run after Lesson 6 will be logged on Class Charts.

I hope you all had a fantastic summer filled with rest, relaxation, and some well-deserved fun. Now, it's time to gear up for an exciting and challenging year ahead as you embark on your final GCSE journey. We're not just starting a new school year, we are launching into a pivotal phase of your academic journey. On Thursday, when you walk through those school gates, make sure you're dressed in the correct uniform, armed with all the necessary equipment and, most importantly, equipped with the right mindset. The attitude you bring to your studies can make all the difference. Be ready to push your limits, to ask questions and to seek help when needed. Remember, you have a support system here – teachers, staff, and your fellow students – all dedicated to helping you succeed. I genuinely believe this is going to be an amazing year filled with opportunities for growth, learning and personal achievements. I cannot wait to have you all back, to witness your progress and to celebrate your successes.

So, gear up, Year 11! Let's make every moment count, learn from every challenge and celebrate every triumph. Together we will conquer this final year of GCSEs and set the stage for your bright futures. Welcome back and let's make it an extraordinary year!

Miss McGrath
Year 11 Head of Year



Sixth Form

Head of Year: Mr Earley & Mrs White
Pastoral Support Officer: Mrs Barker
Leadershipsixthform@carshaltonboys.org

Year 13

We have had a fantastic set of results for year 13 this summer and our students really celebrated on results day this year. Destinations have again been excellent with our highest number of Russell Group University applicants being successful with students off to study at Manchester, Southampton and LSE to name a few. We also have some students who have secured excellent jobs and apprenticeships this year with three candidates successfully joining the metropolitan police force. We are very proud of our young men and women, the barriers some of them have faced and overcome throughout their sixth form academic journey and we know they will go on to become successful members of the wider community.

Year 12

We have seen some excellent AS results this summer and all students really gained value in seeing their progress at the halfway point in the journey. We are looking forward to welcoming them back into their last year at school and enabling them to open the doors to their chosen pathways. Year 13 is always a hard but rewarding year and we know our current cohort will go onto great things as well

Sixth Form News

We have some new members of the sixth form team this year. We have two past students coming to support our sixth formers and give them all the tips and tricks of the trade to really enable them to make those marginal gains in their studies.

We also have a newly open ASD base within the sixth form. This is going to provide a superb learning environment for students who need a quieter space to focus and regroup.

We are also preparing to welcome our new sixth form students who I know from the transition week cannot wait to get started on their new courses and take the first step on their next exciting journey. We cannot wait to see their progress!





UCAS & Aimhigher

Lead: Ms Ellis

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UCAS Year 12 & 13

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Useful websites for the UCAS Journey

- <https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/applying-university/writing-personal-statement/how-write-personal-statement>
- <https://www.port.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/applying-for-undergraduate-courses/how-to-write-a-ucas-personal-statement>
- <https://www.ucas.com/sfe>
- <https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/what-and-where-study/how-choose-right-undergraduate-course-you>

CBSC UCAS Deadlines

Friday 6th October

Oxbridge, medicine, dentistry and other early application

Friday 24th November

ALL other applications

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Applications to Pathways 2023 NOW OPEN

Pathways programmes support students in **Year 12 – 13** to explore career opportunities in **Banking & Finance** (both in-person and online), **Consulting** (online), **Engineering** (in-person), **Law** (in-person and online), and **Medicine** (in-person) **for free** and Veterinary Medicine (Hybrid)

Watch video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hdT8MKVIZU4>

Apply here - <https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/>



They prioritise students based on a range of **social mobility criteria** including eligibility for free school meals, and the context of their school and neighbourhood

Deadlines for each university programme differ so please check the website to find out when each programme closes for applications.

'Brookes Engage' access programme are OPEN

Brookes Engage is a free outreach programme for students in year 12 who are thinking about their next steps beyond school or college, and would like to get a taste of what university is like.

The programme with Oxford Brookes University includes

- On Campus Conference days
- Online content
- Mentoring from current Brookes students

The programme is open to students who are in the first year of 6th form or collage, attending a non-selective state school in England ([additional criteria apply](#)). The deadline to apply is Friday 3rd November at 9am. Students can apply and find out more [here](#).

More information can be found in our upcoming newsletter and on our [Outreach Hub](#).

OXFORD BROOKES UNIVERSITY



Reading at home ...



Ideas to get you started

Comics and Magazines:

- **Sports Illustrated Kids** magazine: a magazine that covers a range of sports, featuring articles, interviews, and profiles of young athletes.
- **Marvel Adventures** comic series: featuring popular Marvel superheroes.
- **The Phoenix Magazine**: a weekly story-comic magazine that features a variety of exciting and engaging comics for different age groups.

Books Linked to Toys and Games:

- **Minecraft: The Island** by Max Brooks: a novel based on the popular video game, where a player wakes up on a mysterious island and must unravel its secrets.
- **The Legend of Zelda: Twilight Princess** by Akira Himekawa: a manga adaptation of the popular video game franchise *The Legend of Zelda*.
- **Warhammer Adventures** series by Various Authors: adventure books set in the Warhammer universe, featuring epic battles and fantasy elements.

Choose Your Own Adventure Books:

- **The Magic Path** series by Steve Jackson and Ian Livingstone: fantasy adventure books where readers make choices to shape the story's outcome and face magical creatures and challenges.
- **Can You Survive the Zombie Apocalypse?** by Max Brallier: an interactive book where readers make choices to survive in a world overrun by zombies.
- **Escape This Book!** series by Bill Doyle: interactive books that challenge readers to solve puzzles and make choices to escape dangerous situations.

Graphic Novels:

- **Percy Jackson and the Olympians: The Lightning Thief** by Rick Riordan (Graphic Novel Adaptation): a visually stunning adaptation of the popular novel series, blending Greek mythology and adventure.
- **Bone** series by Jeff Smith: an epic fantasy graphic novel series following the adventures of three cousins in a magical world filled with creatures and mysteries.
- **My Hero Academia** series by Kohei Horikoshi: a manga series set in a world where people have superpowers, following the story of a young boy aspiring to become a hero.

Empowerment Books:

- **The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind: Young Readers Edition** by William Kamkwamba and Bryan Mealer: the true story of a young African inventor who built a windmill to provide electricity for his village.
- **Hidden Figures: Young Readers' Edition** by Margot Lee Shetterly: the captivating story of African American mathematicians at NASA who played crucial roles in the space race.
- **I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and Was Shot by the Taliban** by Malala Yousafzai: the inspiring autobiography of Malala, a Pakistani activist advocating for girls' education.

Books Linked to Football:

- **Football Academy** series by Tom Palmer: a series that follows young footballers as they face challenges on and off the field, exploring themes of teamwork, determination, and friendship.
- **Soccer School** series by Alex Bellos and Ben Lyttleton: a fun series that provides insights into the world of football, including skills, tactics, and trivia.
- **Keeper** by Mal Peet: a gripping novel that explores the life of a young South American goalkeeper and his journey towards becoming a professional footballer.

Non-Fiction Books:

- **National Geographic Kids Almanac** by National Geographic Kids: a comprehensive and visually appealing archive of fascinating information about animals, science, history, and more.
- **Animalium** by Katie Scott and Jenny Broom: an illustrated exploration of the animal kingdom, filled with fascinating facts and beautiful artwork.
- **The Diary of a Young Girl** by Anne Frank: the poignant diary of Anne Frank, offering a firsthand account of her life in hiding during the Holocaust.

Remember, individual reading preferences may vary, so provide a range of options and encourage boys to explore different genres and authors to find what interests them most!



Reading at home ...



Here are some further resources to help you...

Home Reading Resources link [HERE](#)

Reading for fun at home...



During these strange and stressful times, reading and stories of all kinds can help to entertain your kids at home. While they are stuck inside, reading can help them to discover new worlds and adventures beyond their four walls.

Let them know that reading for fun is about taking time out; it's not school work, it's just for fun and just for them - no questions asked!

Let them choose what, when and where they'd like to read, and maybe do the same yourself - reading for just six minutes a day can help to relieve stress and improve mental well-being.

Help, My Child Won't Read Resources Link [HERE](#)

"My child isn't interested in reading, and I can't get them off a screen!"



Don't despair! The team at Read for Good has our fair share of reluctant, struggling, and even non-readers. Here are some accessible strategies you might find useful.

There's a reason your kids love screens, but there's an even greater reason to use reading for pleasure to provide some balance.

Digital providers (including social media, gaming, streaming services) spend millions of pounds appealing directly to *your* children. They've created a wonderful, multi-coloured, fast-paced world of CONSTANT STIMULATION and INSTANT GRATIFICATION that is highly compelling.

Let's face it, it's very hard for a simple book to compete with this assault on their senses. It takes a while to get into a book, it's more effortful than scrolling through TikTok videos, it's not as instantly rewarding as a film or boxset and it's less stimulating to the senses than Fortnite...

...but actually these are exactly the reasons WHY we need young people to (re)discover their love of reading, so that reading can sit alongside these other distractions and help achieve the following: