

# Walsall Academy

A different choice of school



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Dear Parent/Carer

With the start of the new academic year at Walsall Academy only a few days away, I need to remind and inform you of various things.

The Autumn Term begins at 8.30am on **Wednesday 4 September 2019**, except Year 12 who will start at 10.30am on Thursday 5 September 2019. Click [here](#) for First Day Arrangements.

## Security

Most of you will be aware of the new security arrangements at Walsall Academy. Please do not drive into the new security area unless you are visiting the Academy with authorisation. If you wish to come onto the Academy site, you will need to have an appointment by car or on foot.

## Personal Tutor Meetings

You and your child are invited to meet the Personal Tutor (PT) in the first few days of term. Your child's PT will organise a convenient time for you to meet with them. PTs will check with you the details currently held by the Academy on your child (contact and medical details in particular). The PT should be your first point of contact in all communications with the Academy. Please click [here](#).

## Timetable

Your child will have been given their individual personal timetable at the end of last term. If they don't already have it, they can collect it on Wednesday 4 September 2019 from their PT. You can also get another copy at the PT Meeting.

## Free School Meals

If you think that your child may be eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) you must complete the form and return it to Student Resources. Students eligible for FSM will also be eligible for other financial support throughout their schooling and later in higher education. Please click [here](#).

## ParentPay

We introduced ParentPay earlier this year to replace all cash in school. This includes payments and consent for trips, food, equipment etc. If you have not yet registered, please contact Mrs Jones who will be able to provide you with login details or a PayPoint card if you prefer. Could I take this opportunity to remind parents to ensure that they keep their child's dinner money account in credit. We would never refuse to provide basic food to a child in need, but it would help enormously if any debts could be cleared promptly. Regular email reminders are sent in this regard.

## Student Folders

Please be aware that from September 2019, we have a new style of Student Folder for all students. These were trialled by our Year 7 students last September and have proved to be sturdier and longer lasting than the previous design. We will be carrying out a replacement programme during the coming months as appropriate where students will receive one new folder free of charge per year. However, please be aware that the replacement cost of this will be £5.00 so students should ensure that they look after their folders.



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## Uniform

We have increased the number of suppliers for school uniform and the Bloxwich Community Partnership is opening a second hand uniform shop at the New 2 Me Charity shop in Blakenall during the summer to recycle school uniforms. If any parents have unused uniform or PE kit that they would be happy to donate to the shop directly, contributions would be gratefully received. Mr Dan Garbett is the Centre Manager on 01922 712 069.

## Information and Policies

Please click on the following to view information and policies relevant to the 2019-20 academic year:-

- [The School Year 2019-2020](#)
- [Calendar of Events for 2019-20](#)
- [Autumn Term Session 3 Programme](#)
- [Walsall Academy Fundraising Group](#)
- [Standards for Students](#)
- [Uniform and Dress Code Policy](#)
- [Homework Policy](#)
- [Behaviour Policy](#)
- [Mobile Device/Phone Policy](#)
- [Privacy Notice 2019](#)
- [Walsall Academy Twitter](#)
- [Walsall Academy Facebook](#)

We will continue to use text and email alerts to communicate with parents, this includes trip letters.

We are looking forward to the new school year and welcoming the students on **Wednesday 4 September 2019**.

Yours sincerely

Mr S L Rogers  
Headteacher

