# **Common Questions**

## Who will support me?

Your tutor is there to support you and give you advice. If you have any questions you can ask them to help you. You can also speak with your Head of House and visit them in 'The Stables' (student services).

If you need support with your class work, you can always speak to you teacher who will be happy to help you.

# How long is the school day?

Registration starts at 8.45 and last 15mins. There are 5 lessons in total

P1 - 9.05- 10.05 P2 - 10.10- 11.10 Break - 11.10-11.30 P3 - 11.30-12.30 Lunch - 12.30-1.25 P4 - 1.25-2.25 P5 - 2.30-3.30

You can see that 5 min changeover times allow you to get to lessons without rushing.

# Break and Lunch - Where are we allowed to go and play?

When the weather is warm and dry, students are allowed to play on our top field and side field. We have wooded areas that are out of bounds and you must not leave the school site at any time.

Year 7 and 8 students have their own designated play area for ball games.

#### Am I allowed in other form rooms?

You are only allowed in your form room to socialise with friends. This stops big groups forming in one class and allows you to relax in your own House area.

# Where can I buy food and drinks?

Food and drink can be purchased in the Retreat, our school canteen. We also have a vending machine filled with drinks and snacks.

Can I use money in the Retreat?

No, parents have to put some money into a school account and then you pay for the food using finger print identification. This will be organised on your first day.

#### Where should I eat my food?

You can eat in the Retreat and you can eat and drink outside. You cannot eat in classrooms, or in the corridors.

## What happens if I am late to lessons.

Don't worry, staff understand that you are getting to know the school site and may get lost. Staff will help you if you ask for directions and other students will be happy to show you how to get to your classroom.

#### Can I use my mobile phone in school.

Mobile phones should not be seen, or heard, during the school day. We ask that students switch their phones off between 8.15 and 3.50. Teachers may give you permission to use your phone for educational reasons.

## Will we get a lot of homework?

You may see quite an increase in the amount of homework you receive. We do not want you to spend all evening working, so aim to complete around 30mins on each subject and no more than 1hr in total.

## What happens if I forget my homework?

Staff are very understanding, so they will give you a second opportunity to complete the work if you have forgotten to hand this in. If you continue to have problems we may contact parents to see if we can support you.

# What time should I arrive in my form room?

The form tutor will take the register at 8.50. Lots of students arrive earlier to chat with friends and prepare for the day.

# How long are my lessons?

We have 5 lessons per day, each lasts one hour.