



8<sup>th</sup> September 2023

**Dear Parents & Carers** 

We have had a delightful week with our new Year 7 students, who have already settled in well to their first week at Warlingham School. They have shown courage, commitment and kindness within their lessons, to their peers, teachers and around the school. They have been awarded over 2500 positive behaviour points as a year group, which illustrates the amazing contribution and effort they have already made towards developing themselves as outstanding lifelong learners and we look forward to this continuing throughout their journey at Warlingham School. Please ask them about their achievements and reinforce how proud we are of the start that they have made. It has also been wonderful to see the students in older year groups going out of their way to show kindness in supporting new year 7 students navigating their way around the school site and our routines.

Hopefully you have had the opportunity to listen to my brief audio messages sharing the focus of assemblies and the culture built on genuine mutual respect that has been the underlying theme. Please take time over the weekend to discuss SLANT, STEPs and moving WELL around the school (The audio message for this is attached)

We would like to thank you for providing support over this last week and reinforcing the school's values with your son/daughter, including encouraging them to wear their uniform with pride at school and in the local community.

We have removed the need to wear blazers this week due to the high temperatures, which are expected to reduce to a more comfortable level next week. All students should be in full school uniform, including blazers from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September.

We would also like to thank you for your patience in this first week, as some of you have experienced technical difficulties with accessing applications for communications, home learning and Wisepay. We recognise that this has not been ideal, especially as a new parent to the school. Please find updates and where to go for support below.

## Arbor

You should have received an email from Arbor directly which will have provided download and log in details. Students have also been sent a link for Arbor. Within this app you will be able to view attendance, behaviour and timetables. Students have been issued with a paper timetable.

## Satchel

Satchel log ins have been provided to students via their tutors and students will be given their log ins for Microsoft 365 in their first computing lesson which will allow them access to Satchel. If your child has not received this, please can you ask them to speak to their tutor in the first instance.

## Wisepay

All parents should have received an email over the summer with log in details. If you are having difficulties logging in to Wisepay, please contact <u>finance@warlinghamtlt.co.uk</u> for additional support.

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I would like to take this opportunity to inform you that our Open Event for admissions into Year 7 in 2023 will take place on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2023. The school will close at 1.30pm that day and there will be a late start the following day, Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September, when school will begin at 9.35am to facilitate the set up and clear up for the event.

We would like to make you aware that the school bus providers will run to their standard timetable on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September and the bus company have advised that these unfortunately cannot be adjusted. Therefore students who use these services may need to make alternative travel arrangements.

We would also like to give you advance notice of our Sixth Form Open Evening which is taking place on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2023. The school will close at 1.30pm on this day and will start at the later time of 9.35am on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September. Please see the Warlingham School & Sixth Form College website for more information.

## Warlingham School & Sixth Form College - Home (warlinghamtlt.co.uk)

We are also delighted to inform you that the Warlingham School & Sixth Form College PTA are hosting their first Quiz Night on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023 at the school. This will be a wonderful chance for parents and carers to meet and chat to other members of the school community.

For details, please see the attached poster and to purchase tickets please click here.

If you are a Year 7 parent, I hope that your son or daughter feels settled as a welcome addition to the Warlingham community at the end this first week and would like to wish all students and their families a lovely weekend in the lovely late summer sunshine we have been experiencing.

Yours sincerely

Mr P Foster

Headteacher