



August 2026

Dear Parent/carer,

Year 7 Arrangements

I hope you and your family are enjoying a restful and enjoyable summer break.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming your child to the Academy in September as they begin their journey with us in Year 7. Starting secondary school is an exciting milestone, and we are committed to ensuring that every student feels confident, prepared, and supported from day one.

Your child's first day at the Academy will be **Wednesday 2 September**. Students should arrive by **8:15 AM**. Please ensure that your child attends in **full Academy uniform**. This day is dedicated solely to new students, giving them the opportunity to settle in, meet key staff, and become familiar with Academy routines and expectations in a calm and supportive environment.

On **Thursday 3 September** and **Friday 4 September**, students should attend in **full Academy uniform**. During these two days, students will take part in a range of 'The SA Way' induction sessions, focusing on the key routines, expectations, and values that underpin life at Sandwell Academy. Students will also begin integrating with the wider Academy community and spend time alongside other year groups as they prepare for the start of their full timetable.

Students must remember to bring a:

- Rucksack
- Water bottle
- Packed lunch/breakfast snack or ensure your Parent Pay is in credit (cash will be accepted for the first few days)
- Scientific calculator

If you have any questions before the start of term, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Head of Year, Miss Williams, at ywilliams@sandwellacademy.com.

Please also find attached our **Family Guide**, which contains important information about Academy life, including daily routines, expectations, support available, and key contact details. We encourage both you and your child to read this carefully and keep it for future reference throughout the year.



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Mindful of our wish to provide the best range of opportunities available for our students to have a broad and balanced experience, we will be running termly full Enrichment Days for students. Information will be shared on this in September, and payments will be collected following this communication.

We look forward to welcoming your child to the Sandwell Academy community and supporting them as they begin this exciting new chapter.

Yours sincerely,

Mr J Saunders

Headteacher



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