

‘True Teaching’



*Nothing
Without God*



Welcome to Blessed Hugh Faringdon Catholic School Year 6 Transition



School Prayer



Father
Pour out your spirit
Upon our school
And grant us
A renewed vision of your glory
So that we may experience your power,
Be faithful to your word,
And consecrate ourselves to your service.
We pray that your love may grow among us,
and your kingdom come:
Through Christ our Lord
Amen



Tutors & support staff



7BL: Mrs Mandal

7DB: Miss Buckley

7MK: Mr Howse

7ML: Mr Saumarez

7MT: Miss Hobson

7OR: Mr Nachos

KS3 Achievement and Pastoral Coordinator: Mrs Richards

Head of BMW centre: Miss Boorman

School Counsellor : Ms C Johnson

SENDCO: Mrs Edwards



Child Protection & Safeguarding



Miss K. Harris
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
And Mental Health First Aider For KS3



Mrs S. Matthews
Designated Safeguarding Lead
Senior Mental Health Lead
Assistant Headteacher



Ms S Lunn
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
And Mental Health First Aider for KS4/5

If you have a Safeguarding or Child Protection concern, in the first instance, contact the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead for the appropriate Key Stage.



Mental Health & Wellbeing

- Each child is a member of a tutor group, and their tutor is their first line of support.
- A team of Mental Health First Aiders, Emotional Literacy Support Assistants and Counsellors contribute to the Mental Health Team and support our Senior Mental Health Lead, to provide the right level of support.
- We are founder members of the Mental Health Support Team (MHST) having worked with Brighter Futures and the NHS to establish the 1st Reading MHST and continue to contribute to its development.
- We work proactively with the MHST and other external agencies to provide additional support where needed.
- Students may be supported individually or via group sessions as appropriate to their needs..
- From September 2023, we will have a weekly lunch time wellbeing drop-in opportunity, for Year 7 students only, in collaboration with Soulscape.

Throughout The Year



Transition Evening – meet the form tutor.



Welcome Mass 27th Sept and Curriculum Evening
in the Autumn term.



Reports and monitoring sheets throughout
the year.



Parents' Evening in winter term.

Communication

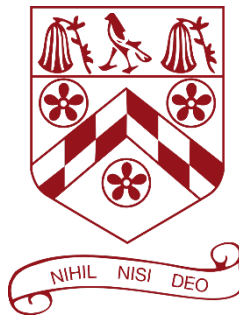


Please be aware of the following for up to date information:

- **School website** – www.hughfaringdon.org
- **Email HOY or tutors or teachers**
- **Groupcall** - Correct contact details are vital for Groupcall to be successful.
- **Twitter** - @ BHFCS or @ BHFCS Sports
- **Facebook** - www.facebook.com/bhfcs
- **Classcharts**
- **'Heads up'** - weekly e-news letters



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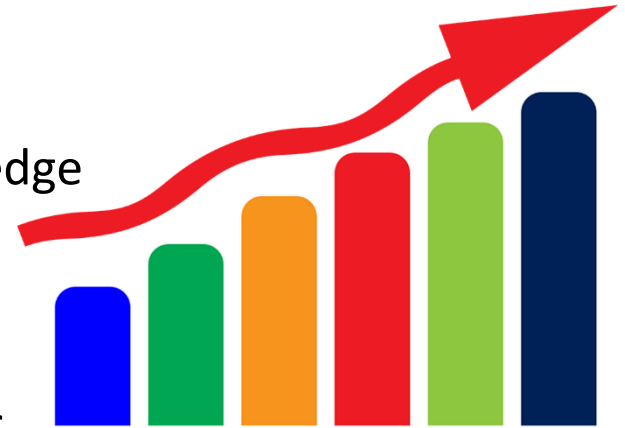
- Almost all communication is sent to parents via our online messaging service Groupcall.
- Please ensure we always have your up-to-date mobile telephone number and email address.
- So that emails don't end up in your spam or junk files, please add 8705411@groupcallalert.com to your safe senders list



Academic Progress



- Builds upon the approach used in your primary schools.
- Track and monitor your son/daughter's progress towards their potential
- Teachers will assess your child's skills and knowledge in the various subjects.
- Judgement will encompass the student's holistic performance in and outside the classroom.
- The aim of Key Stage 3 curriculum is to equip our students with the necessary skills to achieve at GCSE.



KS3	Band	Developing	Secure	Extending
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Setting



- BHF have moved away from setting students in sets
- Students are now taught in mixed ability sets.
- Students are taught in tutor groups throughout the year
- Mathematics and Science will have some light setting

Reasons

- Research has shown that this is beneficial to students
- Inclusive learning environment for all students
- All students will access the same curriculum
- Differentiation will take place in all lessons to stretch and challenge all students
- An ambitious curriculum for all our students.



The Blessed Hugh Faringdon way



Belief-in God

in ourselves
in each other



Happiness-in our work

in our play
in our goals



Family –family and school together

school as family
family of God



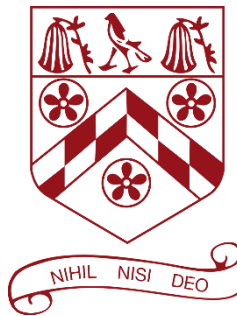
Caring-for ourselves

for each other
for our world



Service-in leadership

in our career destinations
in generosity of spirit



The Spiritual Life of BHF



- Religious Education is a central part of the school curriculum
- Daily prayer (Tutor time)
- Weekly collective worship (Monday)
- Whole school Mass
- Yr7 attend mass at English Martyrs church
- Adoration in the Chapel every week
- Pilgrimages and retreats
- Meditation areas (Daily)



Mrs Ferreira – Chaplaincy



Homework



The programme covers homework setting, seating plans, achievements and behaviour.

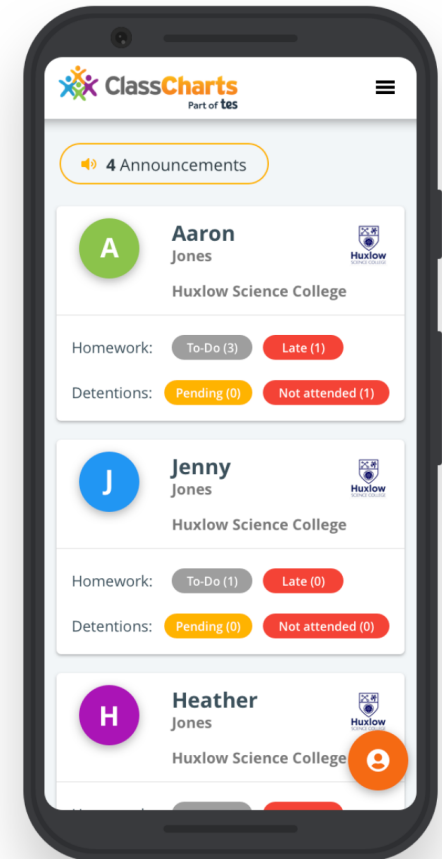
Parents will need to download the App to access their child's homework and other information.

There is an App for students that has been developed for them to use.

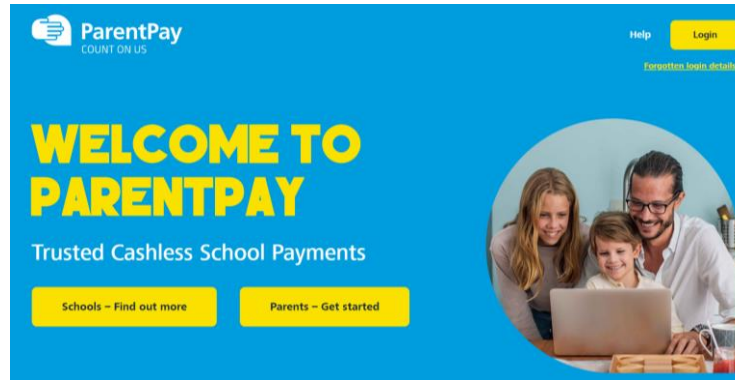
All information on the app will be sent to you, if you wish for more details please email

admin@hughfaringdon.org

www.pages.classcharts.com



Parent Pay

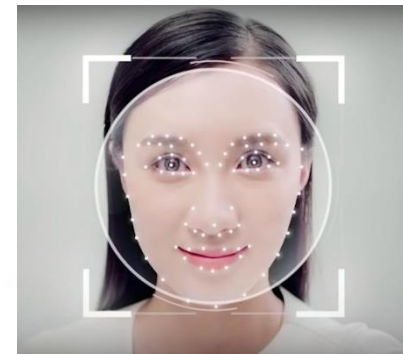


- The school is a **cash free environment** and we use ParentPay to allow parents to make payments for all school trips and canteen services.
- If your child uses the school canteen services, you must ensure that the account is kept in credit
- Free School Meals are automatically added – please remember to apply for FSM via the school website if you haven't already - [Free School Meals - Blessed Hugh Faringdon Catholic School](#)

Biometric System



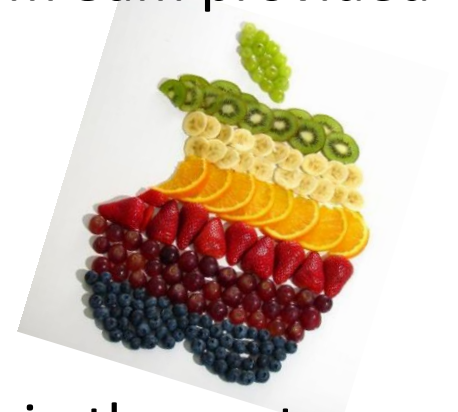
- There is no need for pupils to carry a card or cash tills are facial recognition.
- Any amount of money can be paid into a student's account, and any money spent on food and drink will be deducted daily.
- A daily 'spend' limit of £5 is programmed into the system.



School meals



- Provided by Harrisons
- Cashless system in place (no cash to be taken in the canteen)
- A free breakfast is available every morning from 8am provided by BHF.
- New Snack Shack in the KS3 playground
- Own packed lunch is an option.
- Eat in canteen, main hall, canopy
- Our catering manager is available this evening in the canteen area where you can ask about allergies and any other concerns about food and to taste samples
- FSM get the SET meal and pudding



School Uniform



- Uniform now supplied by Valentino School wear (here tonight in the Dance studio)
- Parents can order by telephone, website, school shop or Valentino shop (Hook or Woking).
- School shop is open for drop in every Monday 10.30am – 2.30pm from September.
- List of available opening dates for BHF shop on Valentino website but you must ring to make an appointment so that they can meet you here

School Uniform



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Shoes should be plain black (no boots, heels, trainers or fashion shoes)
1 x pair of stud earrings can be worn but they must be silver/bronze
studs **ONLY**

School PE Kit



All students must own the following items:

- Crested Black Polo
- Crested Black Rugby Shirt
- Crested Black Shorts
- Black Football Socks
- White Trainer Socks
- Trainers
- Football Boots & shin pads



Optional Items:

- Black/white Long sleeve underlayer/skin (for under polo/rugby jersey)
- Crested Black Crested Tracksuit
- Crested Black Crested Fleece

Please LABEL
ALL clothes

Hair cuts



Inappropriate haircuts, unnatural hair colours or patterns are NOT permitted; this includes hairstyles which are less than Grade 2.

Long hair should be tied up for PE & practical subjects.

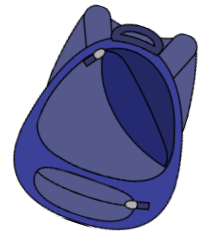
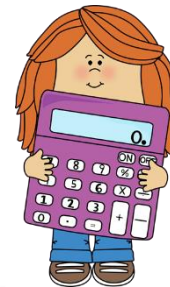
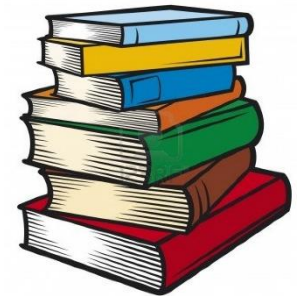


Equipment



- Being ready to learn is essential for academic success.
- School bags should be large enough to hold an A4 folder and plain dark colours.
- Pupils must have the following items each day:

- Pen/Pencils
- Rubber
- Ruler
- Correct books/equipment to meet timetable needs
- Correct PE kit



Maths Equipment

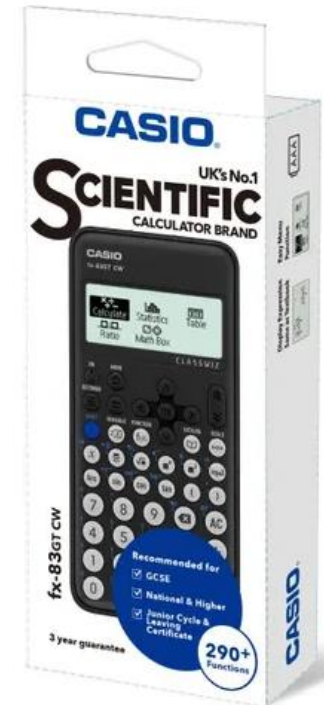


Required Equipment:

- Every student should have the following
 - Ruler
 - Pair of Compasses
 - Protractor

Scientific Calculator;

- Casio FX-83GT-CW or
 - Casio fx-85GT – CW
- There will be a bundle pack available on parentpay from September for approximately £12.



What NOT to bring

We **DO NOT** accept responsibility for the loss or breakage of any personal equipment, e.g. mobile phones, airpods, etc.

If students do need to bring them to school, please hand them into Reception on arrival or switch off in their bags

Phones are not to be used in school



Sports Fixtures

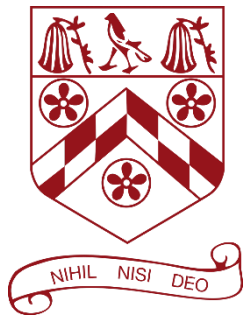
Fixtures will happen throughout the year in a number of sports:



- For each set of fixtures letters will be sent out for home to sign.
- Fixtures, Squad lists and results can be viewed by clicking the PE fixtures link on the school website or SOC's
- The school runs a Twitter account with updates regarding sports fixtures
@BHFCSSport



Recognising Achievement



- Achievement is recognised in assembly every term (attendance, punctuality, behavior & contribution to school life)
- Attendance and Punctuality Rewards Day
- Every 2nd term rewards trip
- Headteacher's 'student of the week' award
- School colours



School Colours



To be awarded school colours is a highly prestigious and sought-after recognition.

You can achieve school colours through 4 ways:

- Leadership
- Service
- Volunteering
- Representation in a sport or other area of skill.



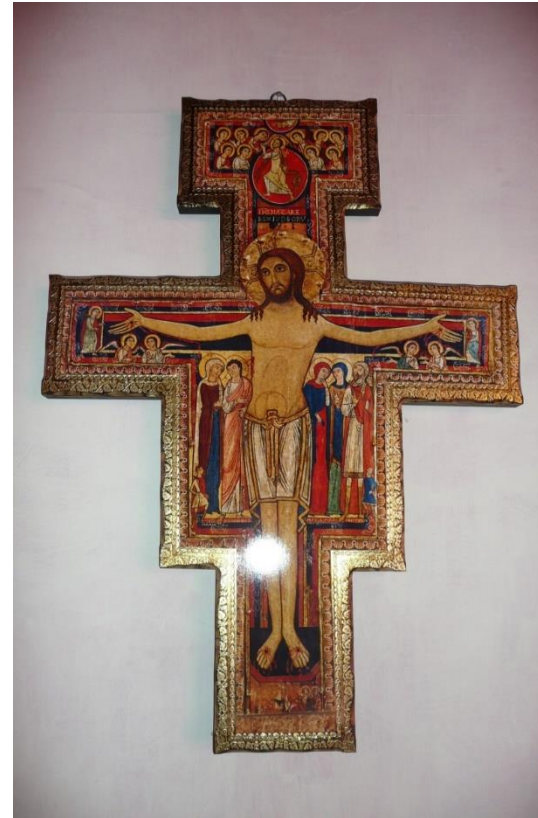
This can be achieved from a number of things in and outside of school and in a number of levels.

The level of dedication reflects the award you can receive bronze, silver or gold awards.

What else can you expect this year?



- A curriculum designed to bring out the best in our children.
- Spiritual, social and personal development.
- Charitable activities.
- Lunchtime clubs
- After school activities.
- Sports/Drama/Music/Eco and more!



Year 7 end of year PGL trip

July 2024
3 days 2 nights

PGL Liddington Adventure Centre

Secure places in Sept

Proposed cost £200



Attendance



96%

Holiday requests will be refused

PLEASE do not take students in term time.

Punctuality



- Students must arrive to school each day on time (8.25am recommended)
- Students must arrive to each lesson on time



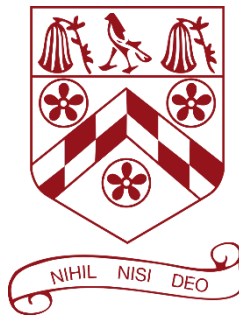
- If you arrive 5 minutes late to every lesson L mark, persistent will result in sanctions
- That is 30 minutes of missed learning everyday!
- That is 2.5 hours of learning every week missed

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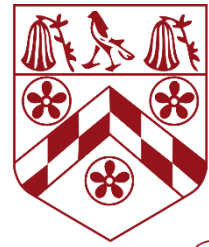


September

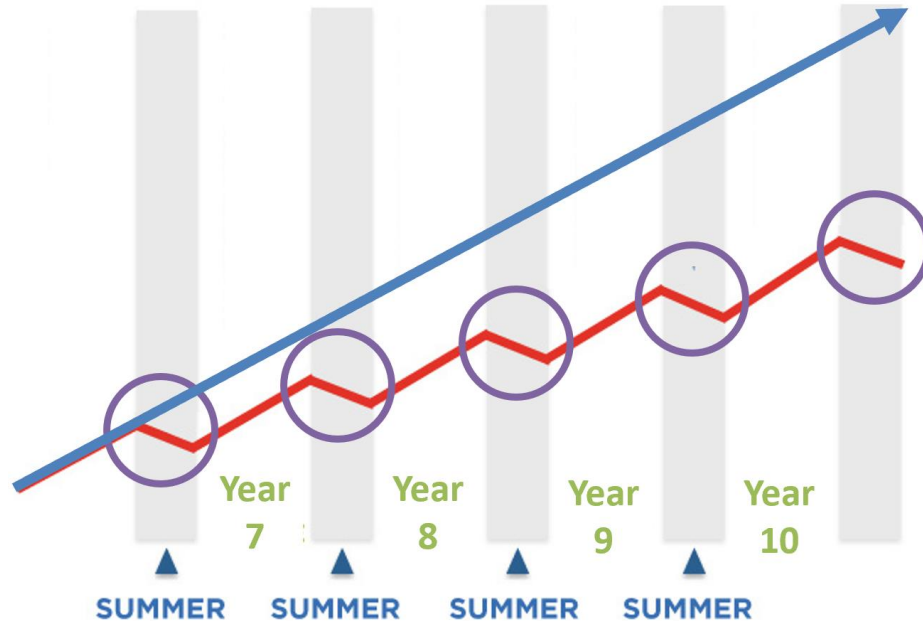
New timings of school Tues 5th Sept 8.25am in school.
Tutor starts 8.35am – school finishes 3:05pm



Summer Literacy Challenge



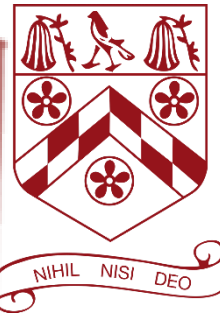
When children read over the summer they are more likely to leap ahead when they return to school? This is often called the “summer leap.”



This graph shows what happens **EVERY SUMMER** when students don't keep reading.

Your literacy (reading and writing ability) **takes a tumble**.

This means students have more of a struggle when they get back to school!



YOUR SUMMER READING IS SO SO SO IMPORTANT!

So, we want students to read the SUMMER
and ... *create some* ... by what
they have

**The most inspiring
creations will win a
prize in September!**

analysis

#CrackABook

this summer



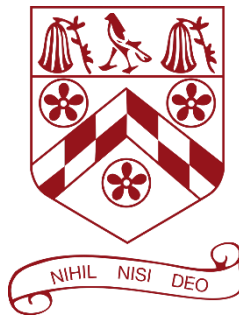
Expectations – Students



- Enjoy and apply themselves.
- Make the most of their time and opportunities, e.g. Sports, trips, visits, roles and responsibilities etc.
- Work hard to be a successful at whatever they do.
- Co-operate with their teachers to learn.
- Be proud of our school by wearing the correct uniform, having the correct equipment and complying with the rules.
- Immediately talk to someone (tutor) in school if they are unhappy about anything.



Expectations - Parents



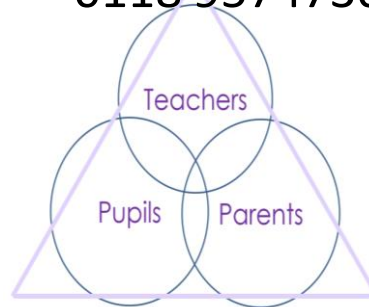
- Support us.
- Support your child to ensure that they make academic progress throughout their time at BHF.
- Talk to us!
- Check SIMS regularly.
- Check your child's homework via classcharts
- Ensure your children are in school by 8.30am at the latest.
- Ensure they are in correct uniform.
- Ensure the school has your correct mobile phone number.
- Let us know if your son/daughter has achieved out of school so we can celebrate the achievement with them.



The Success Equation



- **Parents + Pupils + Staff = Success**
- Contact: L.heaver@hughfaringdon.org
 - Transition@hughfaringdon.org
 - 0118 9574730



Our Aim

- Every student to be successful
- All students to experience spiritual growth
- Enrichment for all students both academically and personally
- To leave at the end of Sixth Form as well-rounded young people prepared for life

Thank you for your time



Please speak to tutors if you have any concerns