



Thursday 6th July 2023

Transition Parent Meeting

Head Teacher Welcome

Let us pray together our school prayer

We bless you our most high God and Lord of mercy.

We pray that you would bless each one of us this day.

Give us **inquiring minds and discerning hearts**.

Give us **courage to persevere** in all we undertake.

Give us the **gift of joy and wonder** in all things.

Give us **laughter and love** to share with others.

Give us **protection and safety** in all that we do.

And give us sure and **certain knowledge of your unfailing love**.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit both now and forever
and to the ages of ages.

Amen.



Dr Philip Hills



Who we are



St Andrew the Apostle School was established in 2013, from the beliefs, vision and commitment of a wide group of local parents from the Greek Orthodox community and the Church itself.

- We are a comprehensive school with high expectations and aspirations for our learners.
- Our student and staff body are diverse, and we welcome those from all faiths and none.
- Our supportive, inclusive environment is one where every child is known and valued.
- We deliver a broad and balanced curriculum that promotes academic excellence and exceptional progress across the ability range.
- Visitors comment on the friendliness of our school, its community feel and our Christian ethos. They also recognise the focus of our students as they strive to achieve in the classroom.

Vision and Values



Our bible verse is one that is lived in the school every day; the faith ethos of the school is tangible:

“Be kind to one another, forgiving one another, as God forgave you.”
Ephesians 4:32

Our school motto is 'Ever to Excel'; for our ethos, this means the following: our students always try their best and never give up .

We help them to endeavour every day to be the best version of themselves academically, spiritually and culturally.

Our students uphold the faith values we live by every day:

respect, responsibility, caring, fairness, forgiveness, trustworthiness.

Bright futures



- Many of our students in Year 11 and Year 13 made exceptional progress.
- Attainment is consistently significantly above national averages. Our Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5 results over time compare favourably to schools in the local authorities we serve: Barnet, Enfield and Haringey.
- Two sixth form students started at University of Oxford in the autumn.
- All students moving on to the next step of their education, apprenticeship or training.

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Role	Staff
Deputy Head teacher Character Education & Safeguarding Lead: Mr Martin	
Head of Year 7: Mrs Nelson	
Form Tutor 7 James: Ms Frost	
Form Tutor 7 Philip: Mr Lui	
Form Tutor 7 Matthew: Ms Ayres & Ms Dhillon	 

Pastoral Team

As a community, we are committed to supporting your child grow academically, socially and spiritually.

Our core values are at the heart of all that we do.

- Caring
- Kindness
- Respect
- Honesty
- Forgiveness
- Responsibility

Our
Pledge to
You

Transition is a wonderful but also sometimes a scary prospect. You can support your child in ensuring their first few days go very well by helping them to be prepared.

- Uniform
- Attendance & Punctuality
- Equipment
- Mobile Phones
- Arrangements for the first day
- Key Dates

Supporting
Your Child
with
Transition

Full details of our uniform can be found on the website. Please be mindful of the following:

Jewellery: A watch, a medic alert bracelet if required and a small pair of studs – one in each ear only.

Hooded Tops: These are banned items and must not be worn to school. School jumpers should be worn over PE kits

Shoes should have a distinct heel for boys – images of appropriate footwear can be found on the website. Please check this before buying new shoes.

Make-up: No make up, including nail varnish should be worn. Any make-up will need to be removed in school.



Uniform

Being Prepared

- Two pens to write with
- A pencil
- A green pen
- A ruler
- A calculator
- A geometry set
- A reading book

Equipment



Attendance is a significant contributing factor in helping to secure positive outcomes for your child.

There are clear links between children achieving good GCSE results and their attendance to school.

- Our minimum target is 96% for all our students. Children who achieve this have an 83% chance of securing 5 or more 9-5 grades at GCSE.
- When attendance drops to 90%, the chance of achieving 5 or more 9-5 grades at GCSE drops to just 57%.
- When attendance drops to 88%, the chance of achieving 5 or more 9-5 grades at GCSE drops to just 1%.

Ensure your child starts their day positively by being here on time. Breakfast is available from 8.10am in the B5 canteen. They must be on site by 8.25am – practice runs over the summer will help to ensure this is achieved



Attendance
&
Punctuality

Mobile Phones are not allowed to be used at any point during the school day.

They should be turned off and put away. If phones are seen by staff at any point, they will be confiscated and held in reception until the end of the day.

If confiscated for a second time, parents will need to collect the phone.

If you need to contact your child, please go through the office. Please support us by insisting that your children do the same and that they do not contact you from their phones during the school day.

Mobile Phones



The School Day

8:30am-8:55am	Tutor Time/Assembly
8:55am-9:45am	Period 1
9:45am-10:35am	Period 2
10:35am-10:55am	Break
10:55am-11:45am	Period 3
11:45am-12:35pm	Period 4
12:35pm-1:20pm	Lunch
1:20pm-2:10pm	Period 5
2:10pm-3:00pm	Period 6

Arrangements for the First Day

- School begins on Wednesday 6th September.
- Year 7 will need to arrive no later than 8.25am
- Year 7 will be based in Building 4 and should meet their tutors at the glass doors.
- Full school uniform will be required on this day.

- Uniform suppliers will be in the school on July 11th from 3-6.30pm in building 5. Please come and try on items for sizing during this time.
- Start date Wednesday 6th July 2023, 8.25am
- Settling in Evening: Monday 18th September – confirmation letter to follow.

Key Dates

