



Fulford School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have had an enjoyable summer.

It has been great to welcome your children back to Fulford, and in the case of approximately 400 new students across the school, welcome to the Fulford family.

We have had a really positive start to the term and students have come back with such enthusiasm and energy, it's truly encouraging to see them make a wonderful start to the new academic year.

As we embark on this journey together, we are excited about the opportunities that lie ahead and are committed to supporting each student as they progress through the year. We look forward to partnering with you in this journey, and we are confident that, with our combined efforts, this year will be a successful and enriching one for all. Here's to a fantastic year ahead!

I wanted to highlight some of the key dates in the diary for this half term:

Key Dates		Notes
Year 12 Induction Evening	Tuesday 10 th September	
Year 7 Information Evening	Thursday 12 th September	
Year 10 Information Evening	Monday 23 rd September	
Year 11 Information Evening	Monday 30 th September	
Year 6 Open Evening	Thursday 3 rd October	School closes at 12:40pm on 03/10 for all students
Staff Training Day	Friday 4 th October	School closed for all students
Year 7E Parents Evening	Tuesday 15 th October	
Alternative Curriculum Day 1	Thursday 17 th October	
Year 7H Parents Evening	Wednesday 23 rd October	

The full calendar for this academic year is available on our website: [Calendar - Fulford School](#)

External Examinations

I am delighted to extend my heartfelt congratulations to our remarkable Year 11 and Year 13 students from last year. The superb results they have achieved are a true testament to their hard work, dedication, and resilience throughout their academic journey.

It has been inspiring to witness their growth and determination, and their outstanding results reflect the immense effort they have put into their studies. We are incredibly proud of their accomplishments and the way they have navigated their challenges.

As they move forward to embrace new opportunities and adventures, we wish them all the best for the future. We have no doubt that they will continue to excel and make a positive impact in the world. We look forward to hearing about their future achievements and how they will contribute to shaping a better world.

Support Us

I wanted to take a moment to extend our heartfelt thanks for your unwavering support in all its forms. Your dedication and involvement have been instrumental in the successes we've achieved together.

Thanks to the remarkable efforts of our students and the incredible support from our community, we raised an impressive £11,754 last academic year. This achievement is a testament to the commitment and generosity that everyone has contributed.

Local business, Pavers, generously offered to match this amount, effectively doubling our total to an extraordinary £23,508. This fantastic outcome will greatly benefit our school, and the next stage of our library refurbishment is now in the planning phase.

This project has been a long-standing goal, and this additional funding will enable us to enhance our library facilities, creating an even more vibrant and resourceful environment for our students. We believe this will greatly enrich their learning experiences and foster a love of reading and learning.

None of this would have been possible without the combined efforts of our students, parents, and carers. Your support has not only helped us reach our fundraising goals but has also strengthened our school community.

Further ways to support the school can be found on the website <https://fulford.york.sch.uk/support-us/> or by using the QR code at the end of the letter.

Key contacts

Effective communication and support within our school community was a key focus for us last year. This is something we are keen to continue to develop and improve further. Please find below a list of the key contacts for this academic year. Feel free to reach out to the appropriate person based on your specific needs.

We encourage open communication, and our key contacts are here to assist you. Together, we can foster a positive and supportive learning environment.

Year Group	Role	Name	Email Address
Year 7	Head of Year	Mr Gatenby	gatenbyp@fulford.york.sch.uk
Year 7	Assistant Head of Year	Ms Haythorne	haythornei@fulford.york.sch.uk
Year 8	Head of Year	Mr Lacy	lacys@fulford.york.sch.uk
Year 8	Assistant Head of Year	Ms Rae	raea@fulford.york.sch.uk
Year 9	Head of Year	Ms Garland	garlandf@fulford.york.sch.uk
Year 9	Assistant Head of Year	Ms Wood	woode@fulford.york.sch.uk
Year 10	Head of Year	Mrs Wise	wisef@fulford.york.sch.uk
Year 10	Assistant Head of Year	Ms Sutherland	sutherlandb@fulford.york.sch.uk
Year 11	Head of Year	Mr Bonsels	bonselsj@fulford.york.sch.uk
Year 11	Assistant Head of Year	Ms Brown	brownb@fulford.york.sch.uk
Year 12	Head of Year	Mr Gray	graym@fulford.york.sch.uk
Year 12	Learning and Wellbeing Worker	Miss Fewster	fewsterm@fulford.york.sch.uk
Year 13	Head of Year	Mrs Jenner	jennerk@fulford.york.sch.uk
Year 13	Learning and Wellbeing Worker	Mrs Stuart	stuarta@fulford.york.sch.uk

Role	Name	Email Address
Headteacher	Russell Harris	headteacher@fulford.york.sch.uk
Assistant Head - Community	Stephen Bailey	baileys@fulford.york.sch.uk
General enquiries	Main Office	office@fulford.york.sch.uk
Safeguarding	Safeguarding	safeguarding@fulford.york.sch.uk
SEND enquires	SEND Department	send@fulford.york.sch.uk
Student attendance	Year 7 – Year 11	attendance@fulford.york.sch.uk
Sixth Form attendance	Year 12 – Year 13	sixthformattendance@fulford.york.sch.uk
Catering Manager	Amanda Gunn	gunna@fulford.york.sch.uk

Use of School Car Park

We would like to remind all parents and carers about the use of our school car park to ensure the safety of all our students and staff.

Our car park is designed to accommodate a large number of school buses and taxis, which require safe and unobstructed access to the school. To facilitate this, and in the interest of safety, we kindly ask that other vehicles refrain from using the car park until after 3:30pm.

Driving into the main car park during peak times can lead to raised safety concerns, particularly at the start and end of the school day, when traffic is at its heaviest.

If there are specific needs that require parking or dropping off on school grounds, such as medical reasons or other special circumstances, please contact your child's Head of Year to discuss possible arrangements. Thank you, in advance, for working with us to create a culture where children's safety is our priority.

Thank you for your support and continued partnership in the education of our students.

Please do get in touch if there is any aspect of our provision that you would like to discuss: headteacher@fulford.york.sch.uk

Kind regards,



Russell Harris
Headteacher

