



CANSFIELD

ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE TOGETHER

3rd September 2024

Dear Parent or Carer

Welcome back to the academic year of 2024 – 2025. I hope all families have had a lovely, restful Summer break and are ready for the year ahead. As always, it is a pleasure to welcome back your children to school.

I wanted to take the opportunity to update you with some reminders and updates.

New Staff

As mentioned in my Summer letter we have some new staff starting with us:

- Mr. K. Derbyshire: Assistant Headteacher/Humanities Teacher
- Miss H. Walsh: Creatives Teacher
- Mr N. James: Creatives Teacher
- Ms F. Doran-Tinsley: Creatives Teacher
- Mr. L. Withers: English Teacher
- Mr. C. Smith: English Teacher
- Miss L. Jones: Maths Teacher
- Mr. J. McKay: Science Teacher
- Mr. W. Critchley: Humanities Teacher
- Mrs. K. Ellis: Inclusion Team
- Mr. T. Yu: Inclusion Team

We welcome them all to Cansfield and are excited to have them start with us.

Home Learning

Students will be given their knowledge organisers for the year during the first few weeks. This will show the learner their core knowledge for the year and should accompany any previous knowledge organisers from previous years. Students are expected to use these throughout the year for revision and independent learning. They will be guided how to use them throughout the year in assembly sessions and revision skills times. They are essential in preparation for low stakes and formal assessments. The iterative way students will be taught to use these allows the core knowledge to be stored in long term memory. Further strategies will be discussed with parents during engagement evenings.

Knowledge organisers will also be complemented by further revision and exam questions in Key Stage Four.

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Key Dates for Term 1

- Thursday 12th September: Parent Engagement Evening (all year groups)
- Thursday 26th September: Year 11 SLT Parents' Evening (by invitation)
- Thursday 10th October: INSET Day (no students in school) and Open Evening (students may be asked to help)
- Friday 11th October: Careers Fair all year groups (if you can contribute to this, please can you email c.mugan@cansfield.wigan.sch.uk – this would be very much appreciated)
- Wednesday 16th October: Duke of Edinburgh Meeting
- Thursday 17th October: Year 7 Parents' Induction Evening
- Thursday 7th November: Parent Engagement Evening (all year groups)
- Thursday 21st November: Year 9 Parents' Evening
- Thursday 12th December: Year 9 Options Evening
- Wednesday 18th December: Christmas Concert
- Thursday 19th December: Rewards Trip (after school)
- Friday 20th December: Year 11 Rewards and early finish

I appreciate that is a lot of dates to give you at once, but I wanted everyone to have as much notice for these key events. Further details for each will be sent out nearer to the time.

Standards and Expectations

Just a reminder that no piercings or jewellery are allowed in school. These will be checked as students enter the gate and by form tutors. Students will be expected to remove these. Blazers must be worn in school with no outdoor coats or jumpers/hoodies. No trainers are allowed.

Students will need to be equipped for all lessons. This will be checked in form time and there is an opportunity for learners to purchase anything that they do not have. This allows students to be ready for each lesson and no loss of learning time.

Class Charts

We began using Class Charts last year and are now rolling them out for parents and students to use. This will allow parents to get more real time feedback about their child's achievements in school, allow us to celebrate this and make parents aware immediately when things don't always go according to plan. Codes for these will be sent out over the next two weeks and this will be one of the things discussed at the first parent engagement evening. We believe it is an excellent tool to enable parents to have more transparency about their child in school.

Pastoral Team

Your child's Head of Year will probably be your first contact if you have any concerns about their welfare. Please find their details below:

Ms P. Sapherson-Lawrence	Head of Year 7	p.sapherson-lawrence@cansfield.wigan.sch.uk
Mr. C. Osborne	Head of Year 8	c.osborne@cansfield.wigan.sch.uk
Ms. R. Darbyshire	Head of Year 9	r.darbyshire@cansfield.wigan.sch.uk
Mrs. N. Ashley	Head of Year 10	n.ashley@cansfield.wigan.sch.uk
Mrs. K. Owen	Head of Year 11	k.owen@cansfield.wigan.sch.uk
Miss K. Ferguson	Senior Pastoral Lead	k.ferguson@cansfield.wigan.sch.uk

As always, thank you for your ongoing support and I look forward to a successful year ahead.

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in grey ink that reads "N. Daniels". The signature is written in a cursive style with a small dot above the 'i'.

Daniels
Headteacher