WE ARE PROUD TO WE ALCOME YOU TO NEWLANDS JUNE 2025

HEADTEACHER JO CAPON



OUR VALUES



COURAGE COMMITMENT COMPASSION

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'Behaviour is impeccable.'

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'Pupils benefit from an exceedingly high quality of education.'

'Teachers have the expertise and training required to deliver the curriculum in a highly effective fashion.'

'Pupils thrive at this exceptional school.'

' In this school everyone is accepted and cultural differences are celebrated.'

HEAD OF YEAR 7 KIERA ASH

"We pride ourselves on our excellent pastoral care. It underpins everything we do and we understand the relationship between the students and the teachers is extremely important."

PRIMARY TRANSITION LIAISONS

"It was so nice to meet some of the teachers before I started at Newlands – it meant there was already a friendly face on my first day!"



What to expect:

The opportunity to meet their new form groups & tutor

Meet their 'big sisters'

Make new friends

Don't Forget: Bring a packed Lunch & water bottle

Pencil case

Come in current school uniform and bring a pair of trainers

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TRANSITION DAY

1st - July

Further opportunity to meet their new form groups and tutor in a calm environment with reduced numbers on site

School site scavenger hunt

School tours

INDUCTION DAY - 4th SEPTEMBER



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"The Form Tutors will be yours and your daughters first point of contact, should there be any issues, questions or concerns."

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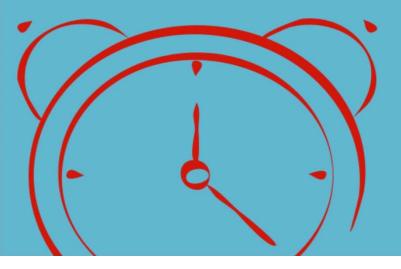
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SCHOOL DAY & what to expect

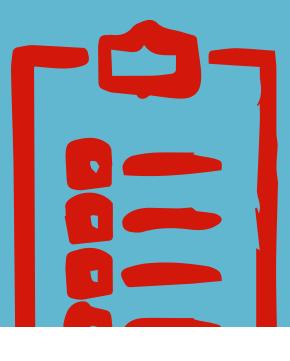
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8:40am Registration & School day begins

3:10pm School Day ends



SCHOOL PLANNERS



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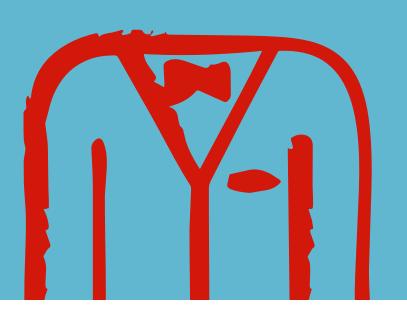
Recording Homework

Passwords

Timetables

Reflection

SCHOOL UNIFORM



Our uniform standards are one of our non negotiables. We ask for hair tied back and skirts below the knee.

All uniform must be labelled.

Please provide a padlock for lockers – a combination lock is preferable.

Our uniform is available through School Days, Goyals or from our NPA.

HOMEWORK TIMETABLE

What to expect



Questions and answers

Project work



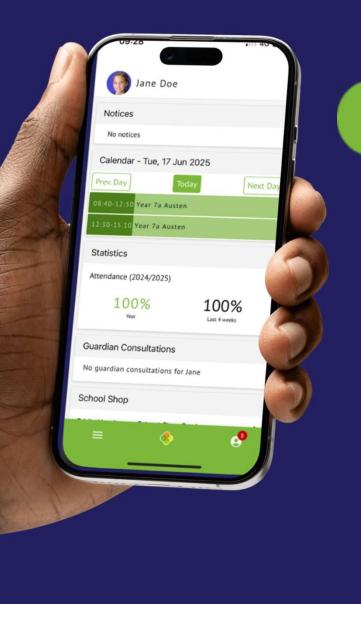




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Arbor



To ensure you are up to date it is very important that you inform the school of any changes to your contact details.



Arbor



We have found that students with attendance above 95% will, on average, achieve 10 GCSEs at grade 9 – 5.

Set high expectations and establish good habits right from the start of Year 7!





Whether through sports, music, drama, film, creative writing or a subject-specific club. We encourage all year 7s to join at least one club as it is a great way to meet new friends and feel part of the school community.

KEY DATES

Thursday 4th September – Year 7 Induction day

Tuesday 14th October – 'Meet the form Tutor' 4–7pm

Wednesday 22nd October - NPA Year 7 Halloween Disco 7-9pm

ASSISTANT HEADTEACHER & YEAR 7 SENIOR LINK SUZANNE NUTTYCOMBE

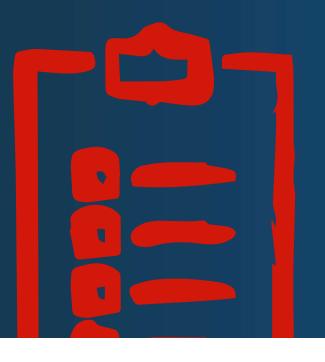
"We believe our curriculum is broad and balanced and builds upon the teaching and learning at primary school."

- English
- Mathematics
- Science Biology, Chemistry and Physics
- Geography
- History
- Modern Foreign Language French, German, Spanish
- Art
- Design and Technology
- Drama
- Computing
- Music
- Art
- Personal and Social Health Education
- Physical Education
- Religious Education



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YEAR 7 CURRICULUM



Five, one hour lessons each day

Two-week timetable

We ask our students to carry a reading book with them

Purpose-built facilities, including science labs, kitchen spaces and a swimming pool

YEAR 7 CURRICULUM



Art, Drama, Music and Computing will be taught as discrete subjects.

Year 7s study French, German and Spanish in their first year.

Design & Technology includes cooking in Food and Nutrition lessons, developing their skills with materials in Textiles and with plastic, wood and paper in Resistant Materials.

DEPUTY HEADTEACHER ANDREW MORBEY



SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING



Know What's Being Taught

- Curriculum maps are available on the school website for every subject.
- Students also receive visual overviews of their curriculum.

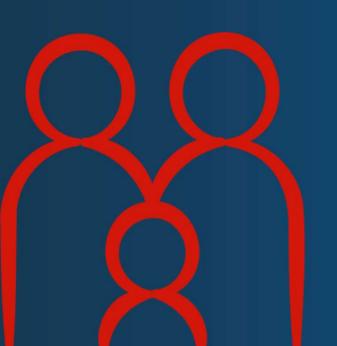
Talk About Learning

- Ask specific questions like "Tell me three things you learned today" instead of "How was school?"
- Regular conversations about learning help reinforce knowledge.

Struggling Is Normal

- It's okay for students to find some subjects harder than others.
- Encourage persistence and reassure them that improvement is always possible.

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING



Focus on what has been learned, not grades

- Don't fixate on test scores—ask what went well and what needs improvement.
- Celebrate effort and learning, not just results.

KS3 Progress Reporting

- We do not predict GCSE grades during KS3.
- Instead we focus on how well students are learning the curriculum.
- You will be told how well your daughter is learning our curriculum in progress reports which are published on Arbor.
- Students knowledge is either Developing, Secure, Mastering or Fluent.

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What You Can Access on Arbor?

- View your child's timetable, subjects, teachers, attendance, and house points.
- Future updates will include homework, exam timetables, and results.

Progress Reports

• Your child's progress reports will be published on Arbor.

Student Portal

• Students can log in to their own Arbor portal via web browsers on any device.

How You'll Receive Messages

• School messages will be sent via email and Arbor app notifications.

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Getting Set Up

- You'll receive sign-in details in September.
 Download the Arbor app now from the Apple App Store or Google Play.
- Contact the school if you need help getting started.



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Year group	Form	House	
Year 7	7F	Frank	
Head of Year Mr T Standen	Form tutor Mrs Y Zeb		VINCIT VERITAS
Attendance*	Lates		Report date
97.2%	0		02 Apr 2025

Course	Teacher	Previous Curriculum Progress	Current Curriculum Progress	Attitude To Learning	Homework
Art & Design:	Miss H Jackson Mrs A Sinnott	Mastering (Term 2)	Mastering	1	1:
Computer Science:	Ms A Alleyne	Mastering (Term 2)	Secure	1	2
Drama:	Mrs V Hine	Secure (Term 2)	Mastering	1	N/A
English:	Ms S Baker Mrs K Mulkern	Secure (Term 2)	Mastering	1	1
French:	Ms L Benoit	Secure (Term 2)	Mastering	1	1
Geography:	Mr O Shackleton Mrs A Holmes	Mastering (Term 2)	Mastering	2	2
German:	Mr D Key	Secure (Term 2)	Mastering	1	2
History:	Dr D Wills	Mastering (Term 2)	Mastering	1	1
Mathematics:	Miss E Keen Miss M Chapman	Fluent (Term 2)	Fluent	1	2





- Please do not buy/give your daughter a smart phone yet no matter how much she wants or "needs" one.
- If you already have, please make sure it is not left in her bedroom overnight and not brought to school.
- If you want her to be able to contact you, a brick phone lets her call and text you just fine.



Sign the Berkshire Parent Pact

By signing this Pact, you're joining a growing community of parents choosing to wait to give their child a smartphone until at least 14, and social media until 16.

The Pact is anonymous (we'll never share your name publicly), but the more of us who sign, the more powerful it becomes in shifting the social norm in our community.

Plus we'll use the data to show the Government how much this matters to parents across the country, so that they take urgent action to protect children from the harms of smartphones and social media.

Your choice – and your voice – really is powerful 4444

Select school (start typing your school's name to find it) *

Newlands Girls' School, Maidenhead

Select child's school year (choose all that apply) *

I'm choosing to delay getting my child a smartphone until at least 14 and social media until at least 16 – for their wellbeing, and to help protect childhood for all our kids.

- Please sign the SFC parent pact
- <u>Sign the Parent</u> <u>Pact</u>



ASSISTANT HEADTEACHER AND YEAR 7 SENIOR LINK GEMMA WALTON

Inspiring Futures Project

Inspiring Futures Fund



Additional Support and FSM



- There is additional support available for 'Pupil Premium' students once registered and for Adopted Children/Looked After Children. Please contact <u>office@newlandsgirls.co.uk</u>
- FSM is no longer protected from Primary to Secondary school. We recommend you reapply, prior to starting, stating Newlands Girls' School as your child's school.
- You can check your eligibility here <u>Pupil</u> <u>Premium/Free School Meals - Newlands</u> <u>Girls' School</u>

CHAIR OF THE NPA ALLAN DONALDSON

Insight to the Newlands' Parents Association

