



2 September 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian

Welcome back

I hope you have all had a restful summer break and I am looking forward to seeing students next week.

I am writing to you with some housekeeping for the start of term, as well as some reminders about uniform.

First day:

Years 7 and 11 are welcomed back on Monday 5 September at 08:40. Lunch will be provided on this day for all students and students will be expected to sit and eat with their tutors and senior staff for part of their lunch break.

Years 8, 9 and 10 are welcomed back on Tuesday 6 September from 08:40. Students may bring a packed lunch or visit the cafeteria as normal.

Uniform and appearance:

We are very proud of our students and how they present themselves. The uniform list is found on the school website [here](#). However, please also remind your child of the following:

1. Shoes – Unless there is a medical exemption, all students must wear black school shoes that are of a “polishable” material. Boots, trainers, canvas shoes etc. are not appropriate and this therefore includes the plain black trainers some students have tried to wear to school.
2. Jewellery – Only one small, plain gold or silver stud or hoop in each earlobe is accepted. No other jewellery should be worn and this includes diamante style earrings. Should you allow your child to get a piercing, please do this at the start of the holidays to allow sufficient time for it to heal and be removed in September. Students wearing inappropriate jewellery will have it confiscated and made available to collect from Student Services at the end of the day.
3. Make-up – No make-up is permitted except light foundation. Nail varnish, gels or acrylics are also not permitted. Students will be asked to remove make-up and nail varnish at Student Services.
4. Skirts – Skirts must be grey drop waist skirts worn no shorter than just above the knee. Please ensure that the correct skirt length is purchased over the summer holidays. Students who have skirts that are too short will be asked to wear a skirt from our stock until a replacement skirt is purchased.

5. Hair – hair must be well-groomed with no extreme styles or unnatural colours. Hair longer than shoulder length must be tied up for health and safety reasons in certain lessons, therefore please ensure all students with long hair have a stock of hair bands. Please ensure that hair is cut no shorter than Grade 1 and there are no lines or patterns cut into hair or eyebrows.

Thank you for your support in this matter and for enforcing the high expectations we have of our all students at Maiden Erlegh Chiltern Edge. In addition, please be reminded that all students are required to have a complete set of Tools for Learning including a personal reading book. I include a link to our Tools for Learning list from the website for clarification.

[Tools for Learning List](#)

Information evenings:

You have been invited to attend an information evening for your child's year group, led by their Head of Year. These evenings are an important part of the calendar for sharing information about key dates and the curriculum, as well as a chance to meet other parents and key staff.

Years 10 + 11 – 7 September

Years 8 + 9 – 8 September

Year 7 – 22 September

Finally, as the break draws to a close, it is important students are encouraged to return to their normal sleep and organisational routines in readiness for the start of school next week.

Many thanks for your support and I look forward to welcoming all students back next week.

Yours sincerely



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