

Welcome to Year 7 into 8 Parent Information Evening

Meet the Year 8 team:



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Mr R Farrell Head of Year 8



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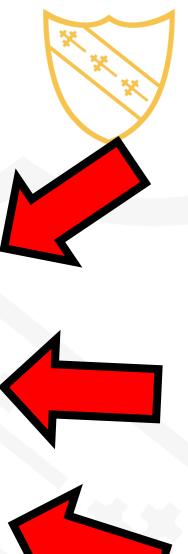


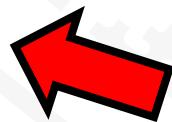
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Key Dates – The Year Ahead

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Year 8 Important Dates	Events		
Thursday, 5 September 2024	First day of academic year 2024/2025		
Monday, 21 October to Friday, 1 November 2024	Half Term break		
Monday, 11 November 2024	*Monitoring 1 Grade, ATL, HW		
Wednesday, 20 November 2024	TBC Parent Voice Evening 1 at NKS (6-7pm)		
Monday, 23 December to Friday, 3 January 2025	Christmas break		
Monday, 17 to Friday, 21 February 2025	Half Term break		
Wednesday, 12 March 2025	TBC Parent Voice Evening 2 at NKS (6-7pm)		
Thursday, 13 March 2025	Parents' Evening (online) (4 - 7:30pm)		
Monday, 7 to 21 April 2025	Easter break		
Thursday, 22 or Friday, 23 May 2025	TBC Sports Day		
Monday, 26 to Friday, 30 May 2025	Half Term break		
Wednesday, 18 June 2025	TBC Parent Voice Evening 3 at NKS (6-7pm)		
Monday, 23 June 2025	*Monitoring 2 Grade, ATL, HW with comments		
Wednesday, 9 July 2025	Junior Prizegiving (by invite only)		
Thursday, 17 July to Monday, 21 July 2025	Enrichment Week		
Tuesday, 22 July 2025	Last day of academic year 2024/2025		

^{*} Please note that the Monitoring dates above are teachers' deadlines, therefore you would expect the report approximately one to two weeks after this date.





NKS Mission Statement



At The Norton Knatchbull School we are proud of our history, tradition and achievements, at the same time as looking to the future for fresh challenges.

- We value each individual for whom they are and their ability to improve and grow.
- We share mutual respect based on care, integrity and trust.
- We are inspired by a passion for creative and demanding learning experiences.
- We work with the wider community to make a positive difference.
- We celebrate our achievements, both in the classroom and beyond.

What are Our Expectations of Students?



- Students take ownership of their own learning.
- They develop resilience.
- Willingness to study independently.
- Desire to be part of the wider school community.
- Aim high.
- Enjoy their time in school.
- Always try their best.

Uniform – Years 7-11

Aspect Compulsory Uniform		Not permitted	
Jacket	Dark blue blazer with the School Badge		
Trousers	Plain dark grey or black tailored style trousers	Trousers made from denim, corduroy or lycra. Trousers that have a very tight fit Trousers that by design look like jeans	
Shorts	Plain dark grey or black tailored style shorts. (In term 6 only, as part of Summer Uniform). Example of acceptable shorts shown below	Shorts made from denim, corduroy, fleece fabric or lycra. Shorts that have a very tight fit.	
Skirts	Smart grey or black pleated skirt of knee length. The choice to wear a skirt should be made with parental consent and include discussion with the relevant Head of Year. Example of acceptable skirt shown below. When a skirt is worn, it should be accompanied by black, grey or dark blue socks or tights.	corduroy, fleece fabric or lycra. Skirts that are shorter than knee length.	
Shirt White with collar			
Socks	Black, grey or dark blue	Socks in vivid colours or white	
Outer garments	Coats, hats, gloves and scarves of a conservative nature that are in keeping with the smart and business-like nature of the school uniform when weather deems this necessary	Jackets made from denim of leather	
School bag	All students must have a bag that is big enough to carry around all required equipment. The bag should be of a conservative nature and in keeping with the smart and business-like nature of the school uniform. A separate bag is recommended for carrying PE/Games kit	Bags with garish or offensive slogans	
Jumper or Plain dark grey or black V-neck jumpers or cardigan. Students can only wear a jumper/cardigan if they are also wearing their blazer.		Round neck jumpers	

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Footwear	Plain black shoes	Boots, trainers (or shoes that look	
	SEE BELOW FOR ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE	like trainers)	
Jewellery	SEE BELOW FOR ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE	No jewellery or badges are	
/badges		permitted at all, with the	
/bauges		exception of watches and charity	
		lapel badges/wrist bands at	
		restricted and appropriate times.	
Tie	School tie or school colours tie	Sporting or other club ties	
Hair	Well-kept and tidy	Hair cut into shapes likely to draw	
	Long hair should be tied back	attention; hair dyed unnatural	
		colours.	
Equipment	All students should carry:		
	Pen Calculator		
	Ruler		
	 Protractor compasses 		
	Colouring Pencil Sharpener		
	pencils • Reading book		
	Eraser Uniform Card		
	Calculator Green pen		
	Pencil		
	Any exercise books, text books and		
	further equipment required for their		
Games Kit	specific lessons Dark blue reversible games shirt		
Gaines Kit	Dark blue football shorts		
	Dark blue football/rugby socks		
	Football boots		
	Shin pads for Football/Hockey		
	Gum shield for Hockey/Rugby		
PE Kit	White sports shirt (tennis style)		
	White PE shorts		
	White PE socks		
	Training shoes		
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<u>Link to Years 7 – 11 Uniform Policy</u>

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Summer Uniform

In the summer, when temperatures can be consistently high; summer uniform will operate. This means that blazers do not have to be worn and shorts can be worn. However, if a student is not warm enough, it is their blazer that should be worn. It cannot be replaced by other items such as hoodies, jumpers or coats. If particularly cold, a school jumper can still be worn under the blazer.

Summer uniform commences at the start of Term 6.

If it is particularly hot prior to term 6, Summer Uniform may commence early. This would be communicated to all staff, students and parents. In the event of really extreme temperatures, the uniform may be relaxed even further, with the removal of ties and potentially students attending in PE kit. This would be announced, as and when needed.

Exceptions

Exceptions to the uniform policy may be granted for reasons of religious observance. This would only be permitted following discussions between parents and the relevant Head of Year.

BEHAVIOUR AND CONSEQUENCES MATRIX

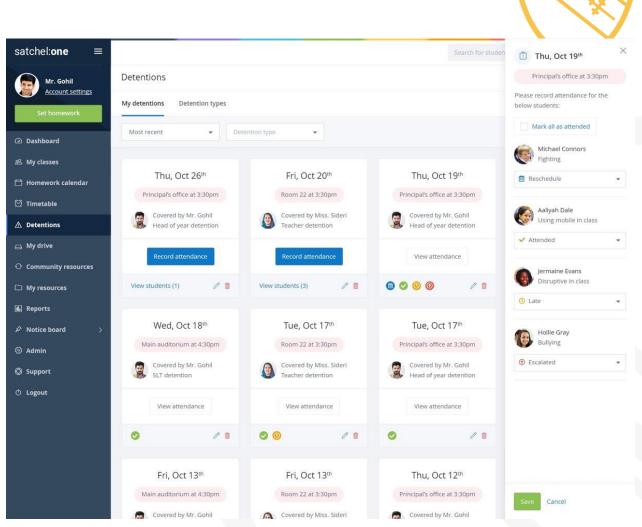
LEVEL/ POINTS	BEHAVIOUR	CONSEQUENCE	MANAGED BY
0	 Low level behaviours: for example Talking Lack of focus Minor/one off disruption 	 Classroom management strategies. Encouragement and praise Verbal warnings and reiteration of 'Behaviour for Learning Rules' Seating plan 2 strikes before escalating to level 1- 1 warning then on second occasion of Low-Level disruption L1 	Individual teachers
L1 1 point	 More persistent/problematic behaviours, for example Constant talking Failure to hand in homework Inadequate classwork Regular disruption Failed 3 strikes technique Disrespectful to peers Disrespectful to staff Misuse of school equipment Repeated lateness to lessons Failure to have uniform card on their person 	 Students are issued a L1 detention for 15 minutes in the allocated detention room. This will be the next available breaktime. Lateness to a L1 detention will result in a L2. Recorded on ARBOR as an L1 Parents informed by teacher 3rd L1 detention in a department in a term triggers an L2 detention next time and Subject Report (after the L2 it drops back to L1s) Detention reflection sheet completed in the detention. Poor behaviour in the detention leads to an After School Detention 	Individual teachers

REWARDS AND CELEBRATION MATRIX

LEVEL/SIMS &HOUSE POINTS	ACHIEVEMENT		REWARD	MANAGED BY
1 1 point	Excellent work or effort during the lesson or an excellent homework	(3 times per year, merit points will be totalised, and certificates will be awarded as follows: Top 5% of year group = Gold, Next 5% = Silver, Next 5% = Bronze)	1 Achievement point Recorded in ARBOR	Individual teachers
2 5 points	100% attendance (3 times per year)		Attendance Certificate awarded Recorded in ARBOR	SSMs
	Sustained effort or attainment		Phone call or email home to praise achievements Recorded in ARBOR	Individual teachers
	Clean Uniform Card (6 times per yea	r)	Entry in to prize draw Recorded in ARBOR	SSMs

Satchel One





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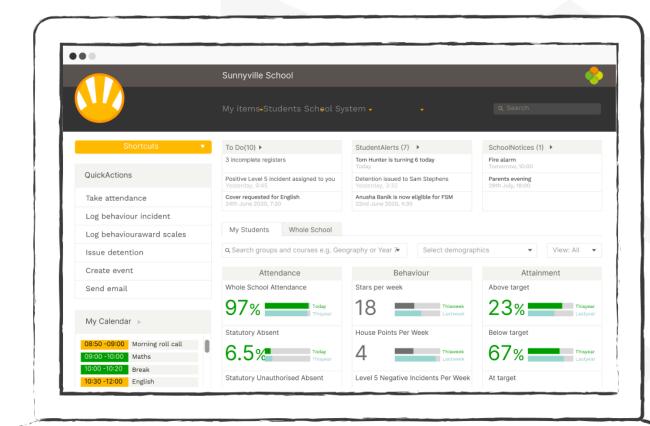


Arbor is the schools MIS

Main source of communications

 Achievement and behaviour points

WEB based and app



Curriculum

This can be found on the Curriculum pages of our website:





Curriculum





HOME > CURRICULUM > THE KNATCHBULL BACCALAUREATE (KNATCHBACC)

The Knatchbull Baccalaureate (KnatchBacc)

Our students' experience in school is built on four key pillars that make up the 'The Knatchbull Baccalaureate' (Knatch. Bacc.):

- Academic The timetable, the subjects, the lessons, the assessments, the exam
 outcomes... Arigorous academic curriculum, taught in creative and demanding ways, developing
 students' metacognition, recognising and acknowledging that secure understanding of
 knowledge underpins higher order thinking, synthesis (within and across subjects) and analysis.
- Extra-Curricular Enrichment, Sport, Music, The Arts...Through a wide range of enrichment and
 extra-curricular activities which broaden students' perspectives, knowledge, skills and talents;
 reinforcing that high quality outcomes in any field come as a result of commitment, targeted
 practice and teamwork, consequentially developing resilience, adaptability and learning through

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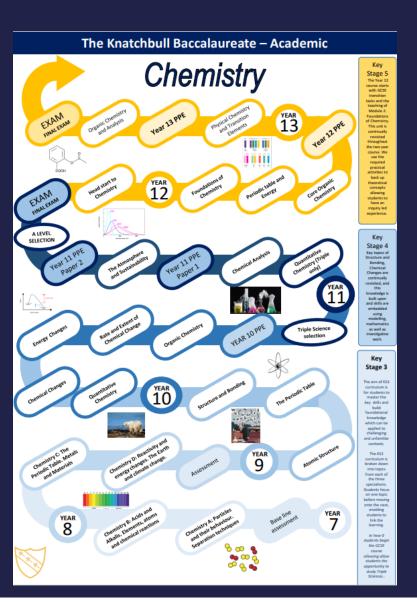
KS3 Curriculum

GCSE Courses and Options

Sixth Form Courses

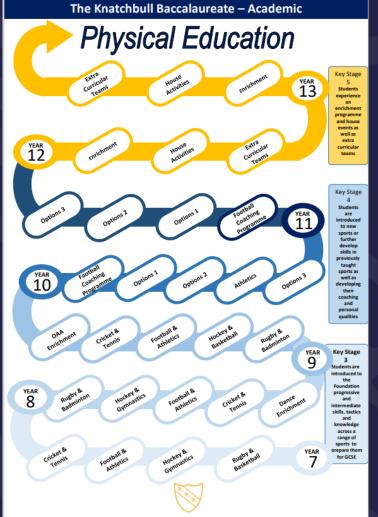
SEND and Pupil Premium Individual subject content can be found by going to the Knatchbull Baccalaureate page and clicking on the subject

Curriculum









How can you support your son/daughter?



- 1. Access Satchel One on a regular basis.
- 2. Have discussions regarding upcoming monitoring deadlines.
- 3. If possible, provide a dedicated workspace at home.
- 4. Attend parents evening (T3).
- 5. Ask for help from us if it is needed.

How can you support your son/daughter?



- 6. Set out clear expectations at home.
- 7. Support enrichment activities and any work experience.
- 8. Talk to them/Challenge them.
- 9. Become an involved member of the school community.

Here to help





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