

Please note:

This is a copy letter for general information only – the original with your child’s information will be email to you week commencing Monday 19th July

Name: {XXXXX}
Form Tutor(s) {XXXXX}
LFD Test Day: Thursday 2nd September. [Please book your appointment here.](#)
Consent Form [Click here for the LFD consent form](#) – please print and ask your child hand in on LFD test day.

First day: Friday 3rd September year 7 only, (8.15am-8.30am) to 2.45pm.
Location: Please wait outside the main doors at the front of the school.
Tutor Welcome: [Please click here to view a video from the new Year 7 form tutors.](#)

Dear parent/carer,

I am very pleased to be able to provide you with further details regarding your child’s start at Cowes Enterprise College in September and the name of their form tutor.

Thursday 2nd September:

As the country moves to step 4 of the roadmap, the government has stated that it will continue to manage the risk of serious illness from the spread of the Covid19. This marks a new phase in the government’s response to the pandemic, moving away from stringent restrictions on everyone’s day-to-day lives and educational settings towards advising schools on how to implement intervention strategies. We are extremely pleased that from September, the current ‘bubble’ system will be removed, enabling flexible curriculum delivery through specialist classrooms.

However, the DfE have stated that, because of summer holiday mixing, all secondary-aged students should be offered two Lateral Flow Device Tests on school site on their return to school in September. We will therefore be re-mobilising our Asymptomatic Testing Site (ATS) in the sports hall to enable this to take place. The first test should be carried out before students return to face-to-face teaching and then the second test taken during the school day 3 days afterwards.

Therefore, please could you click on the link above and make an appointment for when your child can come to the school for their LFD test – which will only take about 15 minutes. They must return home and then start their first full day on Friday 3rd September at 8.30am. **Please could you also ensure that your child brings the attached consent form with them when coming in for their LFD Test appointment on Thursday 2nd.** Testing is voluntary and therefore you can withdraw consent at any time so please notify the academy as appropriate. The privacy notice can be found on our website www.cowesec.org

Friday 3rd September:

After attending the academy for an LFD test on Thursday 2nd September, your child’s form tutor will greet you and your child outside the main school entrance between 8.15am and 8.30am on Friday 3rd September. The transition team, including Mrs Pitman (SENCO), Mr Harrison (Family Liaison Assistant) and Ms Thomas (Head of Year 7) will also be available to answer any questions. After meeting their tutor, your child will then be taken into the main school building and into their tutor room.

To ensure that your child is fully supported and well looked after, their form tutor will then spend some time getting to know them and explain all the new systems, processes and expectations as well as providing them with their new timetable. There will also be a guided tour of the school building and introductions to key staff who will be on-hand to help and answer any questions. They will then rotate around the school to normal lessons and meet some of their different class teachers.

Please remember that your child will need to come to school with a packed lunch and water bottle on Friday 3rd September, a school packed lunch will be available for students in receipt of free school meals. The canteen will then be open from Monday 6th September and by this point, students will have had an introduction on how to access these facilities.

The first day at a new school is often filled with a range of different emotions but what we often find every year is that, after the normal first day nerves, students have made lots of new friends and very quickly settle into their setting.

We really look forward to seeing you in September and wish you and your families a lovely summer break.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Harding', written in a cursive style.

Mr T. Harding
Assistant Principal

Quick Links:

[Online Uniform Shop](#)

[Transition Information Booklet – details about stationery, uniform, PE Kit and times of the school day.](#)

[Data Collection and language option – please only complete if you have not already done so.](#)