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Dear parents and carers,

## **Pastoral information for 2026/27**

As we end the 2025/26 academic year please find some important notices for our 2026/27 strong start in September from the pastoral team.

### **Attendance**

Full attendance in the first week of school is vital for students to make a positive start to the academic year. On our first day students will spend a short time receiving vital information about the new school year after which they will be straight into their lessons and learning, students are at a disadvantage if they are absent. Support your child to prepare for a strong start to the school year by resetting sleep schedules 3-5 days before school begins by moving bedtime and wake-up time earlier in small steps. Remember each student has an attendance target of 97%-100%, you can check your child's attendance through monitoring class charts.

### **Attendance challenges in September**

**Year 7-** All year 7 students who achieve 100% attendance in the first half term, will be invited to a party in the last week of the first half term.

**Year 7-11-**All students will be taking part in the strong start to September attendance challenge, with weekly 100% attendance being awarded with a golden raffle ticket and 10 achievement points.

### **Uniform**

In preparation for Autumn term 2026 please replace any missing uniform items to ensure your child is ready to attend school on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September in full school uniform. Uniform checks will be taking place on this day, so we are able to maintain high standards of uniform. Children do risk being sent home if uniform items are missing.

- Blazers are a compulsory item and should be worn at all times, unless the teacher has given permission to remove it.
- White School shirt should be worn tucked in and top button fastened.
- School tie showing CHCS logo below the knot.
- Grey knee length skirt that is pleated the entire way around worn with thick black/grey tights or black/grey knee length socks.
- Grey ankle length trousers worn with black/grey socks.
- Black plain leather or leather type shoes, no heel, with closed toe and heel for safety. Black trainers are not acceptable.
- Jewellery - Only a watch and/or a small pair of plain stud earrings (to be worn in the lower lobe only, one in each ear). Exceptions to these rules may be considered for health or religious reasons but all jewellery must be under clothing, so it is not visible. Smart watches should not be worn in school and smart glasses should also not be worn in school.

Further details of uniform, including pictures can be found on our school website.



## Mobile phones

Current students have all been issued with a Yondr pouch please ensure students have these with them on the first day of term. Year 7 students will receive their pouch on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September. If pouches have been lost or damaged, they can be purchased through ParentPay.

Sixth form students must not be seen with phones or earbuds during the school day to be compliant with new legislation for school sites.

## Start of term arrangements

We look forward to seeing all students back on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2026. School gates will open at 08:00 for breakfast in the canteen, Year 7 and Year 8 will have tutor line ups in their designated spaces, sixth form will need to go to the dance studio for their assembly and all other year groups to form rooms. Students need to make their way to designated spaces from 08:20 and be sat down ready for notices at 08:30. Thank you for your help at the start of term to ensure we achieve excellence together.

Finally, we would like to wish all families well for their summer holidays. 2025/26 has been full of highlights that we have captured on our social media channels and bulletins. We look forward to seeing what 2026/27 will bring.

Yours sincerely,  
Ms Hunter

