



Getting to know Wadebridge School

Key guidance and information for new students



# **OUR SCHOOL**



"Each day we all aim to learn, improve and help others"



To all our new students

Welcome to Wadebridge School! We are delighted that you will be joining us in September and we are looking forward to helping and supporting you as you move through your school career.

You will be spending five very important years with us and the things that you achieve here will influence the rest of your life. We want you to take advantage of everything that we have to offer, not only in the classroom but also in your development as a person, in sport, the Arts or any other area in which you can do your best.

At the moment you may be rather nervous about coming here; this school is bigger than your primary school. Really there is nothing to worry about, and by the end of your first week with us you will know your way round, understand your timetable and have started to make lots of new friends.

We want to help you settle here quickly and that is why we are sending you this booklet. Year 7 pupils have put together some questions that you may be wanting to ask and we have given the answers so that you feel more confident.

We all look forward to seeing you in September and we will work together to ensure that you enjoy your time with us at Wadebridge School and achieve all the success that you deserve.

Yours sincerely

Miss Yardley Headteacher







We now have **approximately** 1050 students between 11-16 years old.



### **UNIFORM-**

Black jumper/ cardigan with School logo
Black trousers/ School Shorts with School logo/ School Skirt
with School logo
Formal White Shirt (Not Polo)
School tie ( Black & gold stripes)

Black socks / tights

Black shoes or trainers



### PE KIT-

Yellow & Black sports top Black sports shorts/ skort Black Socks Trainers

## WHO'S WHO?









Deputy Headteacher: Mr Williams

### **Assistant Headteachers:**

Mr Bateman



Mrs Goodwin



Mr Glynn

**Business Manager** Mr Wilson

**Key Stage 3 Team** Mr Petchey Leader of Key Stage 3



Mrs Cervi Deputy Leader of Key Stage 3

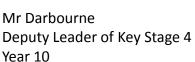
Miss Brader Key Stage 3 Mentor and Pupil Premium Lead



**Key Stage 4 Team** 

Mrs Onderdonk- Young Leader of Key Stage 4





Mr Stoddard Deputy Leader of Key Stage 4 Year 9



**Student Support Team:** 

Mrs J Adams

Mrs N Davies-First Aid









Mrs T Weller



Mrs F Smith

Mrs N Murphy-**Attendance and Admissions** 





Mrs L Harrison **Education Welfare Officer** 



## MEET THE KS3 TEAM



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Dear Year 6 students

Mr Petchey, Mrs Cervi and Miss Brader together with your Form Tutors would like to welcome you to Wadebridge School and to Year 7.

When you start at Wadebridge School in September you will meet with your Tutor every day during registration and tutor period. The Tutor will help, guide and advise you in many different ways. You will meet your Tutor on Induction Day.

You are about to leave your primary stage of education and start at secondary school where you will be tackling subjects which you may have followed already and some new subjects too. Apart from lessons there are many clubs and activities which we hope you will take part in. These provide even more opportunities to try activities you may never have experienced before.

As you probably know, Wadebridge School has a very good reputation. Part of the reason for this is that the pupils here are expected to attend school regularly, take pride in themselves and their surroundings, work hard in lessons and care and show respect for others. We all follow the same 'Code of Conduct' and we will provide all of you with the best opportunity to become successful adults.

We hope you will be very happy with us and we look forward to meeting you.



Mr Petchey KS3 Leader



Mrs Cervi Deputy KS3 Leader



Miss Brader Key Stage 3 Mentor and Pupil Premium Lead



Our Year 7 Form Tutors:



Mrs Lyle – BLY



Mrs Ellis - WES



Miss Flitney - DFL



Miss Burrell - GBU



Mr Waddington - PWD



Mr Williams - MWL



Mr Spencer - TSP

### KEY THINGS YOU NEED AS YOU SETTLE IN

### TIMINGS OF THE SCHOOL DAY:

Tutor Time: 8.40- 9.10 Lesson 1: 9.10-10.10 Lesson 2: 10.10-11.10

Break time 11.10 – 11.30 (20 minutes)

Lesson 3: 11.30-12.30 Lesson 4: 12.30-1.30

Lunch time 1.30 – 2.00 (30 minutes)

Lesson 5: 2.00-3.00



### **TUTOR TIME:**

Tutor time is the start of your school day, every day from 8.40-9.10am where you will register and complete tutor time activities with your form tutor. The Tutor Programmes for all years have been developed to assist students in the development of high aspirations and other careers skills. Students are given a variety of careers education as well as individual advice and guidance to ensure they make informed choices about their future. This, along with assemblies, a focus on lots of other topics and inter-form competitions, help develop Wadebridge school pupils into well prepared citizens.

### **BREAKS & LUNCH TIMES**:

Junior Canteen – Year 7 & 8 Quiet areas Senior Canteen - Year 9, 10 & 11 Senior playground & the courts The canteens focus on healthy eating. There are snacks available at during break time as well as the main lunch time.

There are spaces for students who bring their own packed lunch in the canteen, hall and quiet areas.





### SUPPORT SESSIONS

KS3 homework clubs

There is a homework club supervised by Teaching Assistants each lunch time in the Learning Resource Centre and in the curriculum support base.

### KEY THINGS YOU NEED AS YOU SETTLE IN

### Your Timetable:

You will get a timetable for week 1 and week 2: (this is just an example)

	1Mon	1Tue	1Wed	1Thu	lFri
1	En	Pe	Sc	Ar	Ma
	NBS E9	DFL	ABD \$3	WES Al	NCT M1
2	Ma	Hi	Gg	Ma	En
	NCT M1	BFN H1	ACE G3	NCT M1	CHY E8
3	Gg	En	Fr	Mu	Se
	ACE G3	CHY E8	DGA L3	RWI MU2	ABD S3
4	Re	Fr	Pe	En	It
	CBT EPR1	DGA L3	DFL	CHY E8	JSD IT2
5	Sc	Ma	Dt	Se	Hi
	SST S11	NCT M1	GBU DT5 W	MWIDT4 T	BFN H1

	2Mon	2Tue	2Wed	2Thu	2Fri
1	JSD IT2	Pe DFL	Ma NCT M1	Mu RWI MU2	Dt MWIDT2 F
2	Ar	It	Hi	Gg	Se
	WES Al	JSD IT2	BFN H1	ACE G3	MWI IT2
3	En	Sc	Fr	Ma	Pe
	CHY E8	SST S11	DGA L3	NCT M1	DFL
4	Hi	Ma	Dt	Re	Fr
	BLY H3	NCT M1	MWIDT2 F	CBT EPR1	SMR IT5
5	En	Gg	Dt	En	Sc
	CHY E8	ACE G3	GBU DT5 W	CHY E8	SST S11

For each lesson it will tell you the subject, the teachers initials and the room number.

Breakfast ClubWhen they arrive in school students can get some breakfast and check that they are ready for the school day. We are able to arrange equipment and uniform loans or orders.

Staff are on hand to provide support if needed, this may be giving advice immediately or arranging a meeting for later in the day.

Where and When?- Daily 8.10- 8.40 in the Senior Canteen.

Staffing- The Breakfast Club has a range of dedicated staff to support the children.

#### I come to Breakfast Club because.......

"It is nice to talk to the teachers and it is great fun to talk and have a laugh"

"I get on the early bus and the food is good"

"It is yummy and I get to talk to friends"

"The breakfast club is a great place to eat food and hang with other people"





### Breakfast Club this year has made a difference to me because ......

"I have built good relationships"

"It has brightens up my day and allows me to talk to students and staff"

"I have made some new friends"

"It is free and I have made new friends"

"I don't have breakfast at home so its good"

# **OUR CURRICULUM**



<b>Key Stage 3</b>	( Year 7 & 8)
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English	Maths	Science
Design Technology- Food, Textiles & Workshop	PE	ICT
Geography	History	Ethics, Philosophy & Religion
Languages- French OR Spanish	Music	Drama
Art	RSHE	

In the Spring Term of Year 8 students choose their Options for Key Stage 4.

### Key Stage 4 (Years 9, 10 & 11)

Core Subjects: ( must do)

English (Literature & Language), Maths, Science, EPR, PE, RSHE

### Ebacc. Subjects: (must choose one)

Computer Science

French

Geography	History	Spanish
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Art & Design	<b>Business Studies</b>	Vocational Pathways:
Design Technology	Drama	
Hospitality and Catering	Health & Social Care	Extended work placement – double option.
ICT i-Media	Music	
Sport and Active Leisure		



**Triple Science** 

# **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**



When will I get my bus pass?





You will have a pass from September which you will need to show on each journey. You will be given information from Cornwall Council, which bus to catch, where you meet and at what time.





Where should I catch my bus from at the end of each day?

All buses will wait in the bus bay until 3.10pm every day, giving you 10 minutes from the end of the school day to get on the bus, so no need to panic about missing your bus! You will be shown where to wait on induction day.





What happens if I do miss my bus?

Don't panic or worry. See the teachers on bus duty and they will take you to the office to arrange for you to get home safely.



What should I do if I don't understand the class work?

Ask your teacher or Teaching Assistant – don't panic!







Will I have homework?



Yes most days homework will be set on ClassCharts, an online home learning tool which you will be given a login for. Parents also have access. The length of time you should spend on the homework task set, the task itself and the deadline date will be outlined on ClassCharts.



I think I get Free School Meals/ Pupil Premium, who would I contact about this?

Miss A Brader is our Pupil Premium Lead, you can contact her on abrader@Wadebridge.cornwall.sch.uk







### **Extra Curricular and Medical Information**

### **Extra Curriculur:**

We welcome all students of any experience or ability to come along to our various sports clubs. Examples of activities include Rowing, Badminton, Netball, Football, Just Dance and Girls Active. The activities available change each term (10-14 weeks). Teams can be selected from the students who are interested in representing the school, but our clubs are also available to students who simply want to be active. We advertise the clubs list at the start of each term via Classcharts, through tutors and a list will always be available on the PE office door and in the changing rooms. There is no fee for our clubs and you do not need to sign up; simply turn up to the venue listed on the clubs list in suitable sports clothing, ready to join in. We look forward to seeing you there.

There is also an array of musical opportunities that are advertised throughout the year outside the music department, as well as Science clubs like a Year 7 STEM club and LEGO club. In Design and Technology there are Baking and Textiles clubs. Throughout the year the variety and breadth of extra-curricular activities change, such as Skateboard club, that is held at lunchtimes, in the summer term.

### **Medical Information:**

If your child is feeling unwell or is injured/hurt during school hours then they must report to the medical room, either by going to see the First Aider in the first instance or by informing a member of staff. The Principal First Aider will contact parents/carer if they feel the student is not fit to be in school and arrange to have them collected.

Students should not contact parents/carers directly.

If your child at any point during their time here at Wadebridge School needs to take any form of medication it *must* be stored with the Principal First Aider and a 'Medicine Consent Form' completed by the parent/carer, which are available from the main reception. If your child suffers with an allergy and therefore carries an epipen, it is important that they have one with them at all times and that the Principal First Aider is given a spare in case of emergencies. In addition any child with diabetes should have their equipment with them at all times and the First Aider should be given extra supplies. It is also expected that all students who suffer from asthma carry their inhaler.

If you have any further questions or would like more information please get in contact with Mrs Davis. <a href="mailto:ndavis@wadebridge.cornwall.sch.uk">ndavis@wadebridge.cornwall.sch.uk</a>



### **Key Contacts**



### School contact information:

Address: Telephone number:

01208 812881

: Website:

Wadebridge School

www.wadebridge.cornwall.sch.uk

Gonvena Hill Wadebridge

Facebook:

Cornwall

Wadebridge School

PL27 6BU Email:

parents@wadebridge.cornwall.sch.uk

### **Attendance and absences:**

The Attendance Officer monitors attendance daily and we ask that you contact her on the first day of absence should your child be unable to attend, either by telephone 01208 812881 'option 1' or text 07860 034528 stating the reason for absence, or email: <a href="mailto:attendance@wadebridge.cornwall.sch.uk">attendance@wadebridge.cornwall.sch.uk</a>

Attendance and punctuality are logged and reported as we regard this as extremely important. Absence requests should be made using the appropriate form available in reception. Please note that the government made changes to school attendance regulations and makes it clear that Head teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances. Please note that if you take your child out of school without permission you are committing an offence under the Education Act 1996 and may result in a fine.



Mrs N Murphy—Attendance Officer / Pupil Secretary



Mrs L Harrison—Education Welfare Officer

**Approved Education Activity:** Sporting activity organised by school, educational visits, work experience, courses in other establishments pupil marked as being 'present'.

**Authorised Absences:** These are absences of which we have been notified and include absences for illness and medical appointments (when it is not possible to schedule these outside of school time), days of religious observance.

**Unauthorised Absences:** Any other absence not listed above and including, family holidays, shopping, looking after family members, birthdays or similar events, any work (paid or unpaid) undertaken in school hours and truancy.

ALL unauthorised absences are reported to the Education Welfare Officer.



## TERM DATES AND HOLIDAYS

### School term dates



### Term dates:

### **AUTUMN TERM 2020 (72 days)**

7th September - 20th December (Half Term 26th Oct - 30th Oct)

### SPRING TERM 2021 (55 days)

4th January – 1<sup>st</sup> April (Half Term 15th—19th February)

### SUMMER TERM 2021 (67 days)

19th April – 23rd July (Half Term 31st May — 4<sup>th</sup> June)



### **Public Holidays:**

Christmas Day 25th December 2020 26th December 2020 Boxing day New Year's Day 1st January 2021 2nd April 2021 **Good Friday** 5th April 2021 Easter Monday 3rd May 2021 Early May Holiday 31st May 2021 Spring Bank Holiday Summer Bank Holiday 30th August 2021

### School INSET Days:

195 days are included on the school calendar. School will open for pupils for 190 days. The School will be closed to pupils on the following dates:-

3rd September 2020 4th September 2020 11th June 2021 2 more to be advised