



Welcome to Blessed Hugh Faringdon Catholic School Year 6 Transition evening



School Prayer

Father

Pour out your spirit

Upon our school

And grant us

A renewed vision of your glory

So that we may experience your power,

Be faithful to your word,

And consecrate ourselves to your service.

We pray that your love may grow among us,

and your kingdom come:

Through Christ our Lord

Amen



Tutors & support staff



7BL: Miss C Wilmot

7DB: Miss E Tighe

7MK: Mr M Hryniewicz

7ML: Mr B Platt

7MT: Miss R McEvoy

7OR: Mr N Clough

KS3 Achievement and Pastoral Coordinator: Mrs L Richards

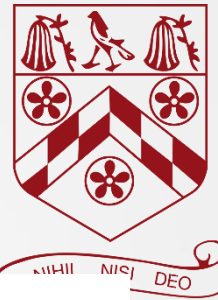
Head of BMW centre: Miss L Boorman

SENDCO: Mrs M Edwards

School Counsellor : Ms C Johnson & Mrs M Magdziak



Child Protection & Safeguarding



Miss K. Harris
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
And Mental Health First Aider For KS3



Mrs S. Matthews
Designated Safeguarding Lead
Senior Mental Health Lead
Assistant Headteacher



Ms S Lunnon
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
And Mental Health First Aider for KS4/5

If you have a Safeguarding or Child Protection concern, in the first instance, contact the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead for the appropriate Key Stage.





Mental Health & Wellbeing

- Each child is a member of a tutor group, and their tutor is their first line of support.
- A team of Mental Health First Aiders, Emotional Literacy Support Assistants and Counsellors contribute to the Mental Health Team and support our Senior Mental Health Lead, to provide the right level of support.
- We are founder members of the Mental Health Support Team (MHST) having worked with Brighter Futures and the NHS to establish the 1st Reading MHST and continue to contribute to its development.
- We work proactively with the MHST and other external agencies to provide additional support where needed.
- From September 2024, we will continue to have a weekly lunch time wellbeing drop-in opportunity, for Year 7 students only, in collaboration with Soulscape.



Throughout The Year



Transition Evening – meet the form tutor.



Welcome Mass 25th Sept and Curriculum Evening
in the Autumn term.



Reports and monitoring sheets throughout
the year.



Parents' Evening in winter term.



Communication



Please be aware of the following for up to date information:

- **School website** – www.hughfaringdon.org
- **Email HOY or Tutors or Teachers**
- **Groupcall** - Correct contact details are vital for Groupcall to be successful.
- **'X'** - @ BHFCs or @ BHFCs Sports
- **Facebook** - www.facebook.com/bhfcs
- **Classcharts**
- **'Heads up'** - weekly e-news letters



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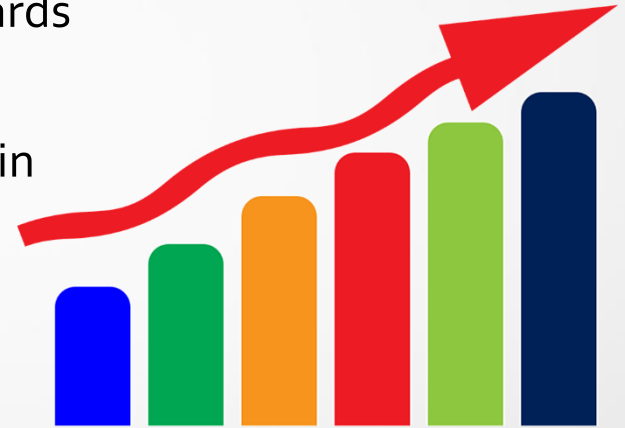
- Almost all communication is sent to parents via our online messaging service Groupcall.
- Please ensure we always have your up-to-date mobile telephone number and email address.
- So that emails don't end up in your spam or junk files, please add 8705411@groupcallalert.com to your safe senders list



Academic Progress



- Builds upon the approach used in your primary schools.
- Track and monitor your son/daughter's progress towards their potential
- Teachers will assess your child's skills and knowledge in the various subjects.
- Judgement will encompass the student's holistic performance in and outside the classroom.
- The aim of Key Stage 3 curriculum is to equip our students with the necessary skills to achieve at GCSE.



KS3	Band	Developing	Secure	Extending
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Setting



- BHF have moved away from setting students in sets
- Students are now taught in mixed ability sets.
- Students are taught in tutor groups throughout the year
- Mathematics and Science will have some light setting

Reasons

- Research has shown that this is beneficial to students
- Inclusive learning environment for all students
- All students will access the same curriculum
- Differentiation will take place in all lessons to stretch and challenge all students
- An ambitious curriculum for all our students.



The Blessed Hugh Faringdon way



Belief-in God
in ourselves
in each other



Happiness-in our work
in our play
in our goals



Family –family and school together
school as family
family of God



Caring-for ourselves
for each other
for our world



Service-in leadership
in our career destinations
in generosity of spirit



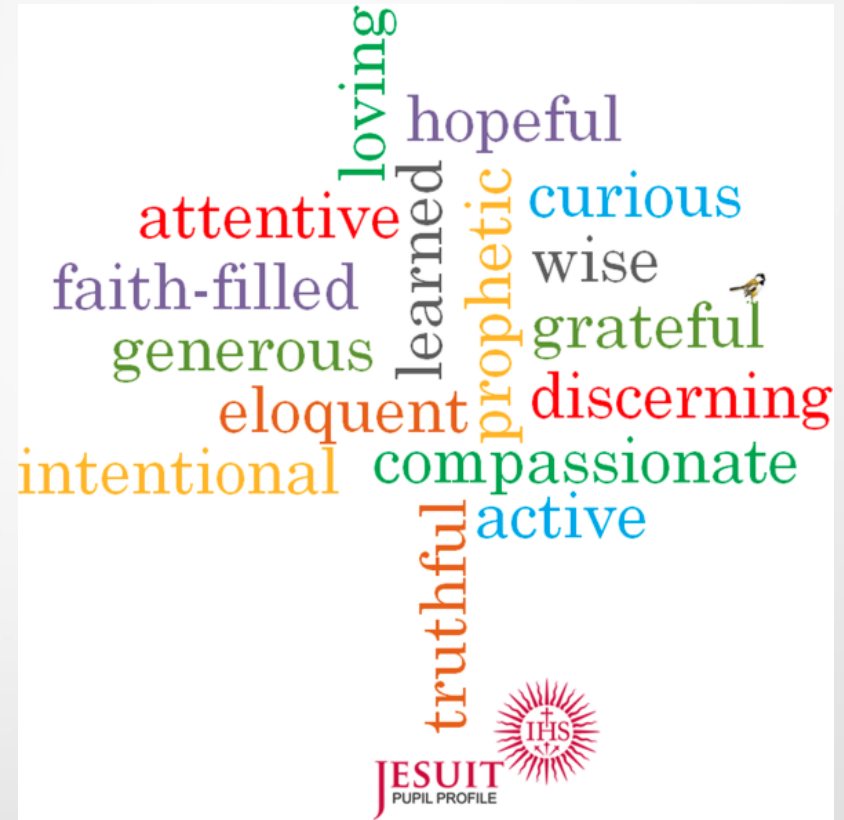
*'patience
is a virtue'*

Virtues...

Qualities for living

Our behaviours, showing
high moral values and
standards

Good ***behaviour*** and good
character



The development of virtues in all of us in the school community, lead to our realisation of our core aspirations (**the 'BHF Way'**) and realising our mission '***Nothing without god'*** *Lively faith, active minds and the best place to learn and work*

The Spiritual Life of BHF



- Religious Education is a central part of the school curriculum
- Daily prayer (Tutor time)
- Weekly collective worship
- Whole school Mass
- Yr7 attend mass at English Martyrs church
- Pilgrimages and retreats
- Meditation areas (Daily)

Mrs Ferreira – Chaplaincy



Homework



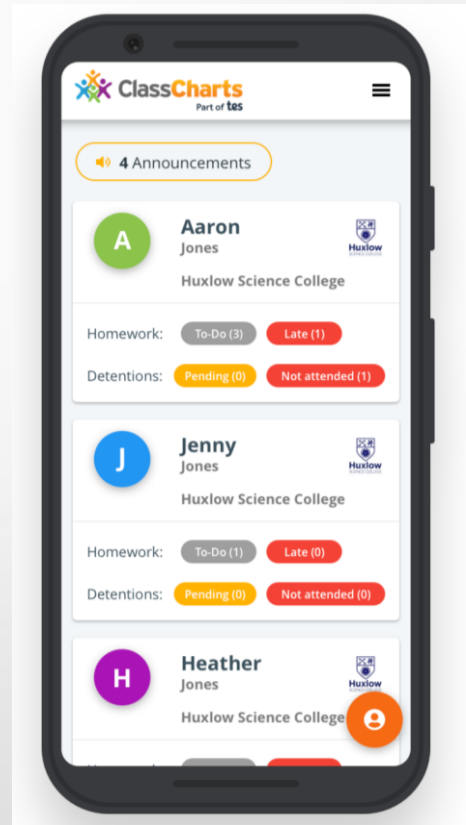
The programme covers homework setting, seating plans achievements and behaviour.

Parents will need to download the App to access their child's homework and other information.

There is an App for students that has been developed for them to use.

All information on the app have been sent to you if you wish for more details please email admin@hughFaringdon.org

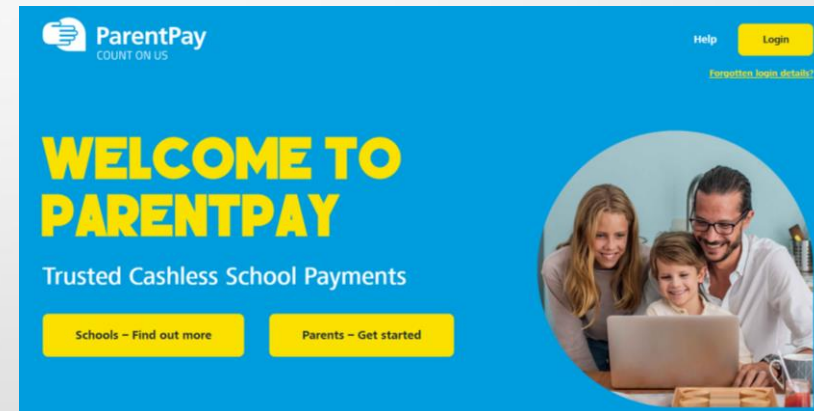
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Parent Pay



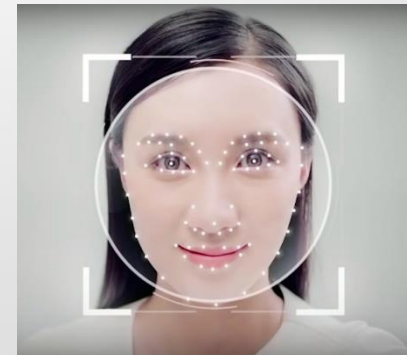
- The school is a **cash free environment** and we use ParentPay to allow parents to make payments for all school trips and canteen services.
- If your child uses the school canteen services, you must ensure that the account is kept in credit
- Free School Meals are automatically added – please remember to apply for FSM via the school website if you haven't already - <https://www.hughfaringdon.org/you/free-school-meal>.



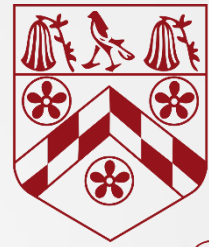
Biometric System



- There is no need for pupils to carry a card or cash tills are facial recognition.
- Any amount of money can be paid into a student's account, and any money spent on food and drink will be deducted daily.
- A daily 'spend' limit of £5 is programmed into the system.



School meals



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- Cashless system in place (no cash to be taken in the canteen)
- A free breakfast is available every morning from 8am provided by BHF.
- Snack Shack in the KS3 playground
- Own packed lunch is an option.
- Eat in canteen, main hall, canopy
- Our catering manager is available this evening in the canteen area where you can ask about allergies and any other concerns about food and to taste samples
- FSM get the SET meal and pudding **£2.40**



School Uniform



- Uniform now supplied by Valentino School wear (here tonight in the Dance studio)
- Parents can order by telephone, website, school shop or Valentino shop (Hook or Woking).
- School shop is open for drop in every Wednesday 10.30 – 2.30pm from September.
- List of available opening dates for BHF shop on Valentino website but you must ring to make an appointment so that they can meet you here
- School also offer refurbished uniform for parents to purchase from the office



School Uniform



School PE Kit



All students must own the following items:

- Crested Black Polo
- Crested Black Shorts
- Black Football Socks
- White Trainer Socks
- Trainers
- Football Boots & shin pads



Optional Items:

- Black Long sleeve underlayer/skin (for under polo/rugby jersey)
- Crested Black Crested Tracksuit
- Crested Black Crested Fleece

Please LABEL
ALL clothes



Hair cuts



Inappropriate haircuts, unnatural hair colours or patterns are NOT permitted; this includes hairstyles which are less than Grade 2. Long hair should be tied up for PE & practical subjects.

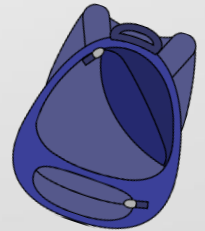
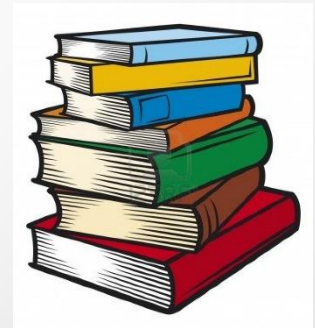
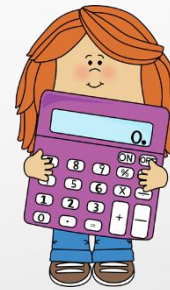


Equipment



- Being ready to learn is essential for academic success.
- School bags should be large enough to hold and A4 folder and plain dark colours.
- Pupils must have the following items each day:

- Pen/Pencils
- Rubber
- Ruler
- Scientific calculator
- Correct books/equipment to meet timetable needs
- Correct PE kit



Maths Equipment



Required Equipment:

- Every student should have the following
 - Ruler
 - Pair of Compasses
 - Protractor

Scientific Calculator;

- Casio FX-83GT-CW or
- Casio fx-85GT – CW
- There will be a bundle pack available on parentpay from September for approximately £12.





What NOT to bring

We **DO NOT** accept responsibility for the loss or breakage of any personal equipment, e.g. mobile phones, airpods, etc.

If students do need to bring them to school, please hand them into Reception on arrival or switch off in their bags

Phones are not to be used in school



Sports Fixtures



Fixtures will happen throughout the year in a number of sports:

- For each set of fixtures letters will be sent out for home to sign.
- Fixtures, Squad lists and results can be viewed by clicking the PE fixtures link on the school website or SOC's
- The school runs a 'X' account with updates regarding sports fixtures
@BHFCSSport



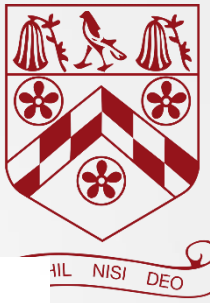
Recognising Achievement



- Achievement is recognised in assembly every term (attendance, punctuality, behavior & contribution to school life)
- Attendance and Punctuality Rewards Day
- Every 2nd term rewards trip
- Headteacher's 'student of the week' award
- School colours



School Colours



To be awarded school colours is a highly prestigious and sought-after recognition.

You can achieve school colours through 4 ways:

- Leadership
- Service
- Volunteering
- Representation in a sport or other area of skill.



This can be achieved from a number of things in and outside of school and in a number of levels.

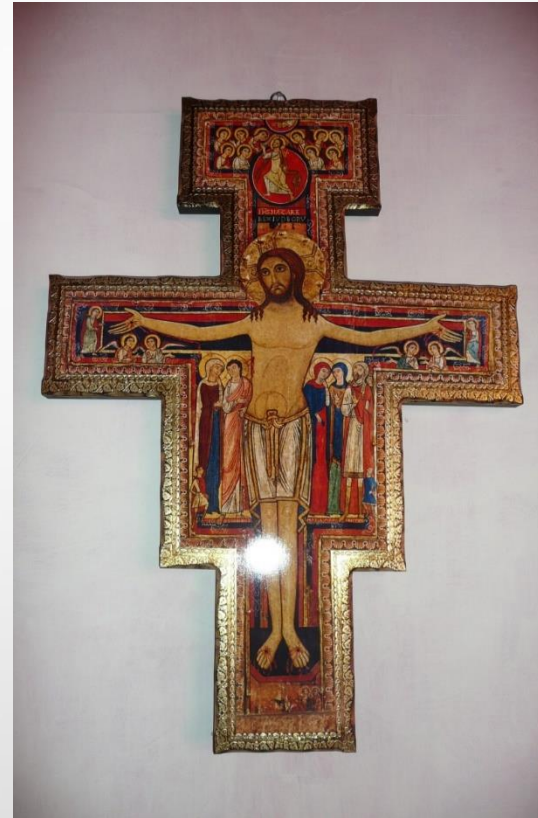
The level of dedication reflects the award you can receive bronze, silver or gold awards.



What else can you expect this year?



- A curriculum designed to bring out the best in our children.
- Spiritual, social and personal development.
- Charitable activities.
- Lunchtime clubs
- After school activities.
- Sports/Drama/Music/Council groups/Journalism and more!



Year 7 end of year PGL trip

July 2025
3 days 2 nights

PGL Liddington Adventure Centre
Proposed cost £408



Attendance



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96%

Holiday requests will be refused.
PLEASE do not take students in term time.
Please inform the school if your child is not
attending school.



Punctuality



- Students must arrive to school each day on time (8.25am recommended)
- Students must arrive to each lesson on time



- If you arrive 5 minutes late to the lesson, L mark will be given & persistent tardiness will result in sanctions
- That is 30 minutes of missed learning everyday!
- That is 2.5 hours of learning every week missed

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September

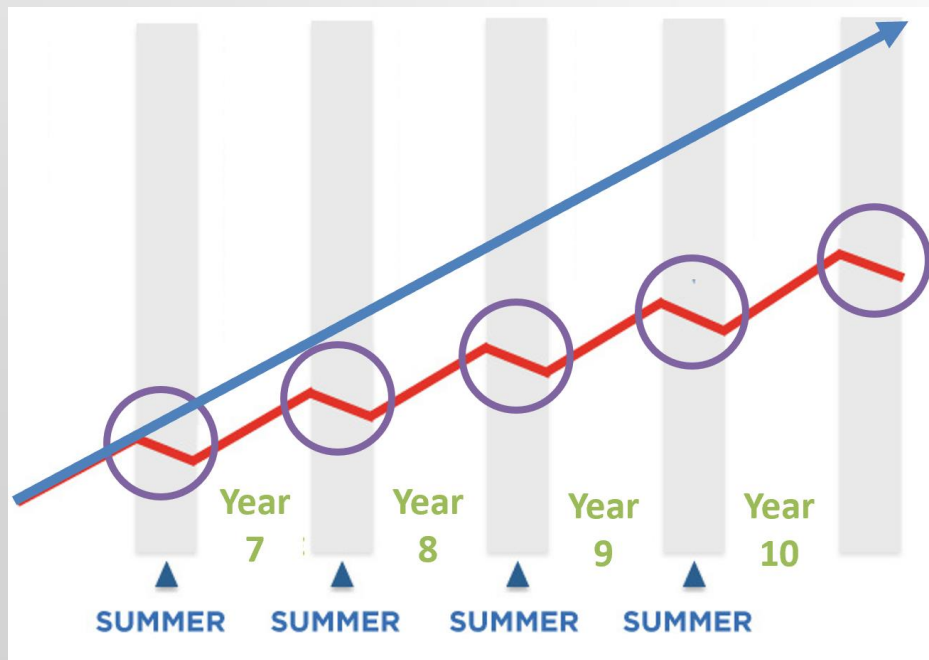
Timings of school Thurs 5th Sept 8.25am in school.
Tutor starts 8.35am – school finishes 3:05pm



Summer Literacy Challenge



When children read over the summer they are more likely to leap ahead when they return to school? This is often called the “summer leap.”



This graph shows what happens **EVERY SUMMER** when students don't keep reading.

Your literacy (reading and writing ability) **takes a tumble**.

This means students have more of a struggle when they get back to school!





YOUR SUMMER READING IS SO SO SO IMPORTANT!

So, we want students to complete their
SUMMER reading list
and read at least one book
and return it to the library.
The school newsletter will be sent to indulge in
as well as the school newsletter.

Students to complete their Reading Bingo

#CrackABook

this summer



Expectations – Students



Why do we have rules, uniform and expectations?

- Buying in to what this school community is all about
- Pride
- Identity
- Belonging to our school family
- Safety
- Associated with positive work habits
- Respect....



Getting the basics right, mean we can get the really 'BIG' stuff right!



Expectations - Parents



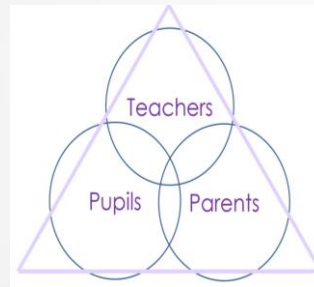
- Support us.
- Support your child to ensure that they make academic progress throughout their time at BHF.
- Talk to us! (Teams, email, phonecall)
- Check your child's homework via classcharts
- Ensure your children are in school by 8.30am at the latest.
- Ensure they are in correct uniform.
- Ensure the school has your correct mobile phone number.
- Let us know if your son/daughter has achieved out of school so we can celebrate the achievement with them.



The Success Equation



- **Parents + Pupils + Staff = Success**
- Contact: L.heaver@hughfaringdon.org
 - Transition@hughfaringdon.org
 - 0118 9574730

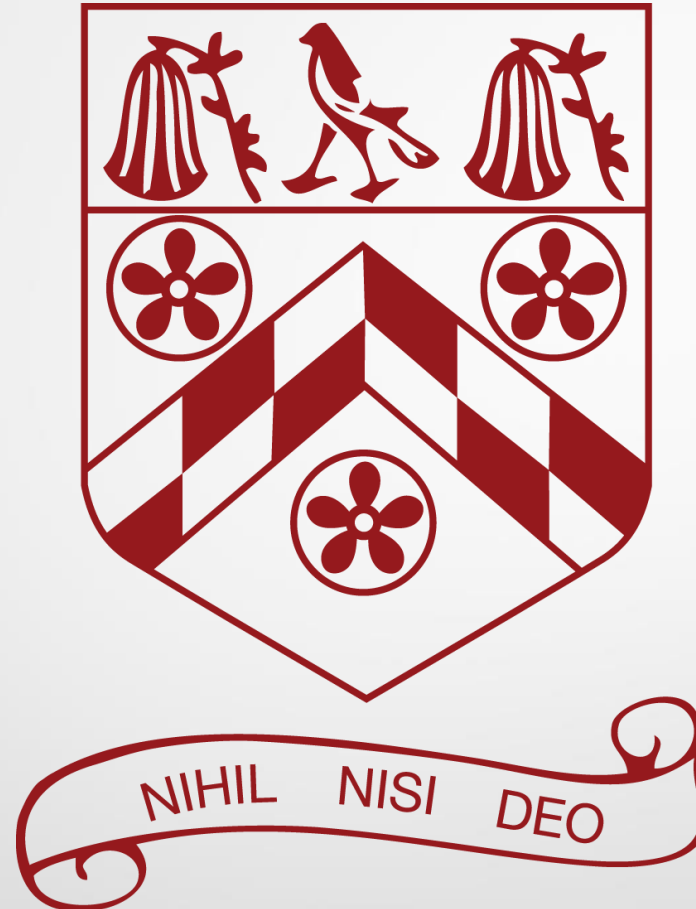


Our Aim

- Every student to be successful
- All students to experience spiritual growth
 - Enrichment for all students both academically and personally
- To leave at the end of Sixth Form as well-rounded young people prepared for life



Thankyou for your time



Please speak to your tutors if you have any concerns