



Ark Burlington Danes Academy

Friday 3rd September 2021

Dear parents / carers,

We are very much looking forward to welcoming our students back to school next week. Please note the key information regarding our students' return next week in terms of start times for students and accessing the school site. Alongside this, I want to take the opportunity to reiterate the expectations regarding uniform and equipment following students returning to school this September.

Start of term dates:

Year Groups	Start date and time
Year 7	Tuesday 7 th September 8.25am (normal start time) – 3.05pm (normal finish time)
Year 8	Tuesday 7 th September 8.25am (normal start time) – 3.05pm (normal finish time)
Year 9	Wednesday 8 th September 8.25am (normal start time) – 3.05pm (normal finish time)
Year 10	Wednesday 8 th September 8.30am (normal start time) – 4.00pm (normal finish time)
Year 11	Tuesday 7 th September – Yr11 student attend Academic Review Meetings (via Wood Lane) at scheduled time Wednesday 8 th September 8.30am (normal start time) – 4.00pm (normal finish time)
Year 12	Wednesday 8 th September – 10.00am-14.00pm
Year 13	Tuesday 7 th September – Yr13 student attend Academic Review Meetings (via Wood Lane) at scheduled time. Meeting will take place in 6 th Form building (DP) Wednesday 8 th September 10.00am– 14.00pm

School day structure:

	Start time	Entry point	Zone	Break time	Lunch time	End of day	Exit Point
Year 7	8.25am	Du Cane Road	Danes Building	10.20	12.50	3.05	Du Cane Road
Year 8	8.25am	Wood Lane	Fink 1 st Floor	10.20	12.50	3.05	Wood Lane
Year 9	8.25am	Wood Lane	Fink Ground Floor	10.20	12.50	3.05	Wood Lane
Year 10	8.30am	Wood Lane	Burlington 2 nd Floor	10.40	1.30	4.00	Wood Lane
Year 11	8.30am	Wood Lane [Rose Garden]	Burlington 1 st Floor	10.40	1.30	4.00	Wood Lane
6 th form	8.30am	Wood Lane	Dennis Potter (DP)	10.40	1.30	4.00	Wood Lane

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Attendance:

Attendance to school is mandatory in September and all students are expected to return. If you have any concerns, please contact your child's Head of Year.

As of the 16th August, children under 18 identified as a close contact of a confirmed positive will not be required to self-isolate but will be given advice by Test & Trace to take a PCR test.

COVID testing in school:

In line with government guidance, the school will be providing on-site testing for all students upon their return next week via 2 rapid lateral flow tests 2-3 days apart. Following this, students are then encouraged to take rapid lateral flow tests at home twice a week. The Government will be reviewing this further at the end of September.

You will receive a separate letter regarding the on-site covid testing taking place prior to students return.

Uniform:

From September the following changes to uniform will be in place:

- Ties MUST be worn with shirt – top button fastened at all time
- Students can continue to wear a striped shirt or plain white shirt

The uniform expectations are listed in full below and can be found on the school website.

Ark Burlington Danes Academy Uniform Year 7-11 (2021-22)	
Item	Description
Lanyard	Students must wear issued lanyards within the academy
Outer jackets/coats	Plain navy or black (no hoodies)
Blazer*	Navy blue with school crest must be worn at all times
Pullover	ABDA Pullover only (optional)
Shirt	Navy and white stripe or plain white formal shirt/blouse
Trousers/Skirts	Charcoal grey properly hemmed and not frayed no combat pockets on legs (must be worn around the waist). BDA tartan skirt, must be worn with either tights or knee length socks (plain black or navy)
Tie*	Relevant year group colours (top button done up) and tie worn at appropriate length (to navel)
Socks	Dark colours: black or navy
Shoes	Black leather or 'leather effect' shoes (no boots, trainers, sandals, not suede, canvas or other soft top)
Rucksack/Messenger Bag*	ABDA rucksack/messenger bag only
Headwear	Only plain black or navy woolly hats are allowed. Religious headwear allowed and must be plain black or navy. No other headwear or coverings are permitted
Scarf and gloves	Dark colours: Plain black or navy without designs or patterns. Academy scarf permitted*
Sportswear	
Rugby Top*	ABDA Rugby top
Polo Shirt*	ABDA Polo shirt (navy with school crest)
Shorts*	ABDA Shorts (Navy with school crest)
Sweatshirt*	ABDA (Navy with school crest)
Jogging bottoms*	ABDA (Navy with school crest)
Football/Hockey Socks	ABDA (Navy with yellow stripe)
Football boots	Boots with moulded studs, blades or interchangeable studs for rugby

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3g Astroturf boots
Shin pads
Mouthguard
Additional appearance
Hairstyles: Hair must be naturally coloured, with an appropriate style. There should be no tramlines or patterns in the hair or eyebrows. Long hair must be tied back when required (for example, during PE lessons, classroom practicals).
Piercings: 1 small plain stud (no large diamond/stones) only in each ear allowed (no hooped style or dangling earrings). Facial piercings are not permitted under any circumstances.
Aesthetics: No false or acrylic nails are permitted under any circumstances. Natural nails need to be trimmed and maintained. No coloured nail polish is permitted. No makeup, including false eyelashes are permitted (students will be required to remove any makeup immediately). No other jewellery apart from earrings (as above) or wrist watches.

Items marked * are ONLY to be purchased at the academy suppliers

Equipment:

All students will need to bring in the correct equipment to ensure that they are attending school 'Prepared for Learning'. These mandatory items include;

- Pen (Black/Blue and Green)
- Pencil
- Ruler
- Rubber
- Calculator
- Lanyard (lunch card)

We look forward to welcoming students back next week and starting a year that will hopefully represent something closer to normality for our school community. As ever we will be driven by our school's vision and as ever will step up to any challenges that are set out before us.

Yours sincerely,

Paul Bhatia
Principal

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