

Kirkbie Kendal School

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Dear Parent and Carers

Welcome to parents and carers of students who start at Kirkbie Kendal School in September 2022. We are looking forward to getting to know our new students and their families next year.

School Walk

Well done to students for completing the school walk on Friday. It was a fantastic day spent in the sunshine and our students showed great resilience and rose to the challenge of walking to Levens Park and back. Thank you to our Sixth Form leaders who helped out walking and marshalling the route.

Rhineland Trip

The Rhineland trip arrived back in the country over the weekend and students and staff have had a great time exploring the sights and speaking the language in Germany. I cannot speak highly enough of the standards shown by our students throughout the trip. Uncomplaining, polite, asking questions, trying out their German; they were a delight.

Staff Changes

The school is fully subscribed for 2022/23 and we are fully staffed ready for September. I am pleased to welcome Miss Fisher (Teacher of English), Mr Plackett (Head of PE), Mr Macbeth (Teacher of Technology), Mrs Soderberg (Teacher of Spanish), Miss Wild (Teacher of PE), Mr Kennedy (Teacher of Science), Mr Rowlands (Teacher of Computer Science and ICT with Business), Mrs Robinson (Receptionist) and Ms Bateson (Examinations Officer).

For the 2022-23 academic year, Mr Hebson is seconded to the Senior Leadership Team, Mr Patrick will become Acting Head of Science, Mrs Cruickshank is our ITE, ECT and New Staff Induction Lead, Ms Derbyshire is our Pupil Progress Lead and Ms Donald our Careers Lead (also still remaining as Head of Music). Mrs Herbert is now Head of Geography. Mr East is moving from Teacher of English to Teacher of History, Mr Copeland is our new Head of History, Mr Nobes is stepping down as Head of Modern Foreign Languages (MFL) and is returning as a Learning Manager. Ms Pluckrose has been appointed as our new Head of MFL and Miss Green will be Head of Drama from September.

We say thank you for service to the school and our community and farewell to Ms Abbott (Head of History), Mrs Barton (Teacher of ICT), Mr Clarkson (Teacher of Science and PE), Miss Ireland (Teacher of PE), Mrs Tennant (Learning Manager), Mrs Wilson (Examinations Officer), and Mrs Miller (Lead Science Technician) and Ms Ronan (Assistant Headteacher).

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School Day Changes

I wrote earlier in the year confirming our new school day which will be starting from September. The timings of the new day are shown again below.

Registration	8.45am – 8.50am
Period 1	8.50am - 9.50am
Period 2	9.50am - 10.50am
Break	10.50am - 11.10am
Period 3	11.10am – 12.10pm

Years 7-9	Lunch	12.10pm - 12.50pm
	Period 4	12.50pm - 1.50pm
	Form time	1.50pm - 2.15pm
	Period 5	2.15pm – 3.15pm

Years 10-13	Period 4	12.10pm - 1.10pm
	Lunch	1.10pm - 1.50pm
	Form time	1.50pm - 2.15pm
	Period 5	2.15pm - 3.15pm

Uniform

Another reminder to please ensure that any trousers are loose fitting ready for September and that piercings are limited to one stud in each ear. We are always happy to collect any items of pre loved uniform that we can pass on to new owners. Please drop this off at reception.

Results Days

A level Results day is Thursday 18 August. GCSE Results day is Thursday 25 August. School will be open from 9.00am on both days and we look forward to celebrating the results of our students' hard work and resilience.

Term Dates

Term dates for 2022/23 and provisional term dates for 2023/24 can be found on our website via the following link. <http://www.kirkbiekendal.cumbria.sch.uk/term-dates2/150.html>

This is the last letter of the year and I wanted to say thank you for all the hard work that staff and students have put in over the past year and for the support you have given to students and to the school. It has been a very busy and successful year. The best place to follow what is happening in school is via our social media accounts.

<https://twitter.com/KirkbieKendal>

<https://www.facebook.com/KirkbieKendal/>

<https://www.instagram.com/kirkbiekendal/>

On Wednesday 20th July the school will close at lunchtime and students will be leaving from midday.

On behalf of all the staff and Governors I wish you and your family a happy and relaxing summer.

Yours faithfully

Mr M Harris
Headteacher