



## THE LONDON NAUTICAL SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

We have enjoyed a very positive return to school following the Easter break, with students returning with an excellent attitude towards their schooling - thank you for your support in helping us achieve this. From next week, we will be making some minor adjustments to the start of the day. Please see below for more details.

### **Start of Day Arrangements (Yr. 7, 8 and 9)**

- 08:30am - Expectation that all students will be onsite (whistle will be blown at 08:35am). Students will line up in their period 1 classes in the playground.
- 08:37am - All students will be met in the playground by their period 1 teacher and then escorted to their lesson for an 08:40 start.

### **Start of the Day Arrangements (Yr. 10, 11, 12 and 13)**

- 08:30am - Expectation that all students will be onsite (whistle will be blown at 08:35am).
- 08:37am - Students will go directly to period 1 arriving before 8:40am. Teachers will be present in the corridor to welcome students.

I appreciate for the vast majority of our students these small changes will not present any obstacles or changes to their usual routine. We anticipate that the changes will ensure a more timely and structured start to the school day and transition between lessons thereafter. We recognise that 2 minutes missed per lesson, is 10 mins per day, 50 mins per week, 2,000 mins or 33.3 hours lost learning per school year, which could be the difference between achieving a grade 8 or a 9 at GCSE.

### **School Uniform and Standard Expectations:**

As we continue to improve standards, I must re-emphasise the standard set of expectations we have of all students:

- Full school uniform must be worn to and from school.
- Shoes must be plain black, have no tags, and must be polishable.
- Black or navy coats with no logos (not to be worn in school).
- No hoodies.
- A suitably sized navy or black school bag. Pouches are not permitted.
- Hair must be of a straightforward style, clear of the collar and ears.

- No lines in hair or eyebrows.
- No earrings or jewellery are to be worn.
- Mobile phones are allowed in school and must not be out at any time.
- All pupils will be asked to switch their phones off before entering the school site.
- If mobile phones are seen in corridors, classroom, communal areas etc., they will be confiscated.

### **Parent Governor**

A reminder that the Full Governing Body of the school has a vacancy for a Parent Governor. This is an exciting opportunity to use your perspective to help the board understand a parent's viewpoint. This will help the board make good decisions and maintain a link between governance and the parent community. (As a parent Governor you're not expected to represent or speak for parents but to bring a parental perspective to the issues discussed by Governors).

If you would like to nominate yourself or with their permission another parent please [complete the form](#) here. There will be a ballot from the successful candidates and subsequent vote by parents to elect the parent governor over the course of the summer term. It is expected the role will be in place by September 2023.

### **Hire Bicycles**

We continue to see a small number of students journeying to school on hired bikes; whilst we encourage an increase in cycling to school as part of our students' healthy lifestyle choices, we have now received communication from Lime Hire indicating that it is illegal for under 18's to use their bikes. Therefore, all students under the age of 18 are no longer permitted to hire bikes.

As always, please contact me if you have any further questions on [admin@lns.org.uk](mailto:admin@lns.org.uk).

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend.

Yours faithfully,



**Mr. M Schofield**  
Headteacher