



George Mitchell School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you all well and safe.

I look forward to welcoming all children back to George Mitchell School on **Thursday 3rd September 2020**.

- Primary students will arrive between 8.35 and 9 am
- Year 7 will be in school from 8.40 am to 12.15pm.
- Years 8 – 11 will have a 90 minute tutorial session as shown below
 - Year 8 – 12.30pm to 2pm
 - Year 9 – 12.45pm to 2.15pm
 - Year 10 – 1 pm to 2.30pm
 - Year 11 – 1.15pm to 2.45pm

Please find below some additional information for secondary students:

- Although students will have access to the canteen to buy their lunch, in order to minimise mixing between groups, the timings will be unusual. This may mean that they only have access to the canteen early or late in the day. We do advise that students bring with them a healthy snack to keep them going through the day.
- For health and safety reasons, water fountains will not be working so please ensure that your child has a plastic bottle of water with them every day.
- All children must carry a school bag so that they can carry all school books with them.
- Mobile phones remain banned items in school. Learning Leaders will collect phones from students whose parents feel their children urgently need to carry a phone to and from school (We advise against this). Phones will be collected at students' own risk and this may result in them being delayed leaving school in order to collect them.
- The school day finishes at 3pm. To avoid all students being released at the same time KS3 students will have a soft finish and may therefore be released any time from 2.50pm.
- Starting on the 11th September we will reintroduce 'Impact Fridays' meaning school will finish at 1.30pm every week.



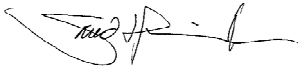
Here is a reminder of the start times and which gate each year group should use:

Year	Arrival	Gate
Year 7	8.40	Front
Year 8	8.40	Back
Year 9	8.50	Back
Year 10	8.50	Front
Year 11	8.55	Front

Please encourage your children to walk or cycle to school and avoid using public transport if at all possible. If they must use public transport then please ensure that they observe social distancing measures at all times. We have been informed by Transport for London (TfL) that changes will be made to the bus routes in the borough in September and that for routes 55 and 97, every *other* bus will be prioritised for school children. This could mean delays in getting to school so please support us to ensure that your children leave home in good time so that they are able to attend on time.

I look forward to seeing everyone back at school refreshed and relaxed on Thursday 3rd September.

Best wishes,



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