



15 July 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Return to school: September 2022

I am writing in advance of our return to school in September 2022.

Following the lifting of Covid restrictions in schools, it is no longer possible to plan for a phased start to the school year. Therefore, the first day of the new school year for all students will be **Friday 2 September 2022**. We look forward to welcoming all year groups to school on this date.

On their first day in school on Friday 2 September 2022, students will start the day with form tutors and have an assembly to welcome them back and provide them with timetables, planners etc. before full lessons commence. On arrival at school students in Year 8 to Year 11 will be directed where to go.

The usual school day will be as follows:

8.35am – 8.45am	Student arrival	
8.45am – 9.45am	Period 1	
9.45am – 10.45am	Period 2	
10.45am – 11am	Break	All year groups
11am – 12pm	Period 3	
12pm – 1pm	12pm – 12.30pm Form Time 12.30pm – 1pm Lunch	Y10 / Y8
12pm – 1pm	12pm – 12.30pm Lunch 12.30pm – 1pm Form Time	Y7 / Y9 / Y11
1pm – 2pm	Period 4	
2pm – 3pm	Period 5	

Please note that period 1 starts at 8.45am. If students are late for school then they will miss vital learning time. Thank you for your support in ensuring that students arrive at school no later than **8.35am** so they can be in lessons, ready to learn on time.

School uniform and equipment

From their first full day, students are expected to attend in full school uniform and bring all appropriate equipment in a suitable bag. Details of these can be found here:

<https://stocksbridgehigh.co.uk/parents/uniform>

If you have ordered uniform to be delivered to school, you can collect your items on Tuesday 30 August 2022 between 9am-3pm from main reception.

Students will be issued with their new planner on the first day of term. Planners are considered to be essential equipment and are used in all lessons to support learning.



Drinks

All students should bring a refillable water bottle to school each day. There are water fountains around school which can be used to refill bottles when required. School is unable to give out plastic cups.

Open evening

Open evening for all prospective students and their families is to be held on Thursday 29 September 2022, details to follow in the new academic year.

Student appointments

The school must be informed in advance if a child has a medical appointment especially if they will either be late to school or need to leave site early. Any student who is late after 8.45am will enter the school through the main visitor reception.

Parent appointments

Parents will only be allowed on the school site with a scheduled appointment. Appointment requests should be made in advance to the member of staff you wish to see. Staff will only be available to see visitors with a scheduled appointment. We can not allow parents into school without a pre-arranged appointment.

Transport to/from school

Students from the Ecclesfield, Chapeltown and High Green areas have access to the 777 school bus service which is provided by Heatons (two coaches) from September 2022. There will no longer be a Stagecoach double-decker bus. For the morning service, the two coaches will travel in succession. Please ensure your child is waiting at the bus stop five minutes before the times listed below and they embark on the first available coach.

HEATONS	
Ecclesfield, The Common / Morrisons	7:55am
Chapeltown, Ecclesfield Road, adjacent Park View Road	7:59am
Chapeltown, Lound Side, opposite Belmont Avenue	8am
Chapeltown, opposite Bridge Inn Road	8:02am
High Green, Greengate Lane, near School Road	8:05am
High Green, Foster Way, near Cottam Road	8:08am
High Green, Thompson Hill, adjacent Hague Lane	8:10am
Stocksbridge High School	8:30am

The return service will depart from school at 3.10pm or shortly before if loaded at full capacity.



The Stocksbridge High School minibus will be available from September to December 2022 for a later service which will depart at 4pm. From January 2023 to May 2023, this may be replaced by a coach if more capacity is required.

Please ensure your child has the appropriate student bus pass from South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive (SYPTTE) prior to their start with us in September 2022.

There are three options, as follows:

- **Zero Fare Pass** – this is an application process and is issued to those students that meet the local authority criteria. Some students from High Green may be eligible for a Zero-Fare Pass.
- **Under 16 Megatravel Pass** - all students should have a Megatravel Pass to allow them to travel for 80p rather than paying the adult fare. Even those with a Zero-Fare Pass should have a Megatravel Pass. More details on the Zero-Fare Pass and Under 16 Megatravel Pass can be found here: - www.travelsouthyorkshire.com/childpasses/#section3
- **Mobility Pass** – For any student with a disability, they may qualify for a Mobility Pass that will provide free travel, not just at school times. Details can be found here: - <https://travelsouthyorkshire.com/disabled/>

Any students who live out of the Stocksbridge and Deepcar area who need to use public transport should be familiar with the journey and bus stops prior to September 2022.

Lettings

Our school facilities are now fully available for hire out of normal hours. We welcome enquires from all local and community organisations, please contact enquiries@stocksbridgehigh.sheffield.sch.uk for more information.

We look forward to welcoming students in September and wish everyone a good summer.

Yours faithfully

Mr A. Ireland
Headteacher