

14 July 2026

Dear Parents/Carers of **new Year 7 starters September 2026**

We look forward to welcoming you and your child to our school and our community on **Thursday 3 September 2026**.

Following information you already have, I wanted to write to you with information on the following:

First Day of school

All year groups will return to school on **Thursday 3 September at 8.40am**.

There will be assemblies and time with Form Tutors throughout the morning, followed by usual timetabled lessons in the afternoon. We will start on week 1 of the new timetable.

School day

The school day format is as follows:

Start	End	Activity
08:40	09:10	Compulsory start of the school day – Form Time
09:10	10:10	Period 1
10:10	11:10	Period 2
11:10	11:30	Break for all students
11:30	12:30	Period 3
12:30	13:30	Period 4
13:30	14:10	LUNCH
14:10	15:10	Period 5 - then end of the school day
15:10	16:00	a compulsory addition to the school day for Y11

Term dates

Autumn Term: Thursday 3 September – Friday 23 October 2025
Please note that there is an INSET day on Friday 25 September 2026

Monday 2 November – Friday 18 December 2026
Please note that there is an INSET day on Friday 27 November 2026

Spring Term: Monday 4 January – Friday 12 February 2027

Monday 22 February – Thursday 25 March 2027
Please note there is a bank holiday on Friday 26 March

Summer Term: Monday 12 April – Friday 28 May 2027
Please note there is a bank holiday on Monday 3 March

Monday 7 June – Friday 16 July 2027

Meet the Tutor Event – save the date

We warmly invite you to join us at our information support event at Stocksbridge High School on **Thursday 1 October 2026**. We look forward to sharing as much information as possible about the year ahead, so that you are in the best position to support your child throughout Year 7 and beyond. We also believe that your child's Form Tutor is the key person in school with whom you will communicate across the next five years. In September we will be providing you with a breakdown of what we will offer on our Meet the Tutor evening, and how you can book your slot to meet your child's Form Tutor, as well as speak to key staff in the school.

Mobile phone policy

Stocksbridge High School is a 'never used, never seen, never heard' site.

Uniform

Uniform standards will be strictly upheld in line with our uniform policy.

Equipment

Pens (Black, blue, green), whiteboard pen, glue stick, pencil, ruler. (Protractor, scientific calculator)

Student absence

If your child is absent or late to school you must: - Contact the school every day that your child is absent before 8am either by telephone to our absence line 0114 2883153 option 1 or by e-mail to attendance@stocksbridge-mlt.co.uk. If you haven't notified us of the reason, you will receive a text message from our system. This will be sent from the following number – 07476937094. The message will read: - (your child's name) is marked absent from school today. Please contact school urgently with the reason for the absence. SHS. Please respond on 01142883153 option 1 or via the attendance email above. We suggest that you save the mobile number as a contact on your mobile phone.

School must be informed in advance if a child has a medical appointment, especially if they will either be late for school or need to leave site early. Please e-mail attendance@stocksbridge-mlt.co.uk and attach evidence. Where possible, please arrange medical appointments out of school time.

Any student arriving after 8.40am must enter the school through the main visitor reception and sign in.

Bus Routes

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Ecclesfield Morrisons supermarket- The common	07:40 16:30
Grenoside Halifax Road-Wheel Lane (The bus can be requested to stop on any stop down Halifax road although these are not timetabled)	07:47 16:23
Middlewood Langsett Avenue	07:59 16:10
Middlewood Middlewood road Winn Gardens	08:02 16:07
Middlewood Middlewood Road North – Stockarth Lane	08:06 16:03
Oughtibridge Langsett road South – Birch House	08:10 15:59
Oughtibridge Langsett road South -Holmesfield road	08:13 15:52
Oughtibridge Langsett road North- Millenium green	08:16 15:49
Wharncliffe Side Main Road -Langsett road North	08:20 15:45
Wharncliffe Side Main road – Green lane	08:22 15:43
Wharncliffe Side Main road – Brightholmlee Lane	08:25 15:40
Stocksbridge High School	08:35 15:20

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Chapelton, Ecclesfield Road, adj Park View Road	7.59am
Chapelton, Lound Side, opp Belmont Avenue	8.00am
Chapelton, opp Bridge Inn Road	8.02am
High Green, Greengate Lane, nr School Road	8.05am
High Green, Foster Way, nr Cottam Road	8.08am
High Green, Thompson Hill, adj Hague Lane	8.10am
Stocksbridge High School	8.30am

At the end of this letter, you will find safeguarding and emergency support contact details for the summer holidays.

Be safe, be happy, and have a wonderful summer holiday. We look forward to welcoming your child to our school.

Yours faithfully



Mr D Williams
 Headteacher

The Stocksbridge Way: School Uniform



We are proud to be a uniform school. Our uniform provides:

- A sense of identity and belonging to the Stocksbridge school community.
- Cost-effective clothing that removes the social and financial pressures of fashion trends.
- Professional clothing, that prepares students for their future careers.
- Allows staff to clearly identify Stocksbridge students at all times and keep them safe.



V-neck school jumper or cardigan with school badge

Plain white shirt – short or long sleeved



Plain black trousers

Must be tailored and professional in appearance, suitable for a workplace. We deem this to include a waistband, button and a zip.

or



Plain black skirt

Must be tailored and professional in appearance, suitable for a workplace. We deem this to be knee length and loose fitting.

A School Tie



Plain black tailored knee length shorts and plain black socks



Plain black footwear

All visible parts of the shoe must be black. Leather or leather look trainers, **no canvas or fabric material, no other colours or branding**

The Stocksbridge Way: Jewellery

For health and safety reasons there is a limit to the amount of jewelry that can be worn this includes :

- ☐ One watch
- ☐ One small ring
- ☐ One pair of small/stud earrings
(no bigger than 10mm)
- ☐ One bracelet

Items not permitted:

- ☐ Necklace (unless tucked away)
- ☐ Hooped earrings or bars
- ☐ Make-up must be natural and discreet
- ☐ No fake eyelashes or fake nails
- ☐ Excessive facial piercings

Uniform is not...



Hoodies of any type



Non-uniform jumpers of any sort



Chinos or jeans



Leggings or sportswear



Cargo shorts, denim shorts, cycling shorts, sports shorts



Any footwear with coloured logos or soles, of any type. Footwear must be sturdy, and safe for a place of work.

All students who arrive in school without the planner, or not wearing full school uniform, then they will be directed to a member of our pastoral team.

Staff will supportively work through the following process to ensure all students are Ready for school each day:

- 1) Provide a "day planner" if they require one
- 2) Facilitate a phone call home to check if an item of school uniform can be brought into school that day
- 3) Provide a replacement item of school uniform that the student can loan for that day
- 4) If students refuse to address a uniform issue they will be directed to our consequence room



If you experiencing difficulties obtaining any item that is required as part of our uniform, please contact the relevant pastoral office for your child

Support for Families and Young People

During the summer holidays, if you have any safeguarding concerns, please contact Sheffield Safeguarding Hub on 0114 2874855 who can offer advice and support. If you need to report a non-emergency, please contact 101. If you are concerned that a child is at risk of immediate harm, emergency services should be contacted on 999.

Students have access to a mental health app called KOOTH.

This is a free, safe, and anonymous digital mental health and wellbeing platform to support young people; www.kooth.com

Beat – Support and Information about eating disorders – 0808 8010677. www.beateatingdisorders.org.uk

Calm Harm App – An award winning, free app to support people to overcome feelings of anxiety and self harm. Featured on the NHS digital app library and found in the Apple and Play store.

Childline – 0800 1111 Childline provides a free counselling service for young people up to their 19th birthday.
Cruse Bereavement – 0808 8081677 Cruse offers support, information and advice when someone dies.
GASPED - 0845 146 0002 (24-hour confidential helpline).

GASPED is a registered charity established in 1995 offering information, advice, help and support for the parents, partners, families and carers who care for or are affected by a loved one's drug and/or alcohol misuse.

NSPCC - 0808 800 5000 for adults concerned about a child or 0800 1111 to speak to Childline if you are a young person. Place2Be – Mental Health Charity. www.place2be.org.uk Provides resources for parents, including supporting your child starting primary and secondary school.

Samaritans – 116 123 (Helpline)