

Frequently Asked Questions – Year 7 2018

Where can I find Bus information?

Two bus services run past Laurus Ryecroft. This information can be found by clicking on these links:

https://assets.ctfassets.net/nv7y93idf4jq/4mvxD1e8L6geWmQ6lWeioy/655168b5cc18dfd46f2608f93207ab57/18-0364_Bus_Guide_168.pdf

https://assets.ctfassets.net/nv7y93idf4jq/4TqzWPnGROa6Cywkymm2E2/c2ca92486d66c0c4951e3fb0828b789a/18-0533_Bus_Times_231_Web.pdf

What time do the Year 7 have lunch?

Year 7 can go for lunch at approximately 1:05pm. Students are welcome to bring a packed lunch. If buying food from the canteen, please ensure your child has enough money on parent pay. After lunch they can play out on the designated playground, take part in extra-curricular clubs or talk with friends in the canteen. They will be supervised in each of these activities.

Are they taught as a form?

Year 7 are taught in forms for some lessons, but are placed in sets for others.

Who should my child go to if they have an issue?

They should go to their personal tutor, Miss Pryce as Head of Year 7 or Miss Alexander if its SEN related.

Who should I go to if I have a query?

In the first instance, it is best to contact reception on 0161 507 5500 or email at enquiries@laurusryecroft.org.uk.

For pastoral issues please contact Miss Pryce by email at lashana.pryce@laurusryecroft.org.uk

or if it is an SEN issue please email Miss Alexander at natasha.alexander@laurusryecroft.org.uk.

If necessary, we can then arrange to meet at a mutually convenient time.

What should I do if my child is anxious about starting High School?

Please try to reassure your child that everyone will feel anxious and it is normal when starting a new school and getting used to a new environment. Many students will be joining us not knowing anyone. They will soon get used to High School and settled in.

Can my child have time off during term time?

We will support your child's time off if they are competing in a competition with extracurricular clubs or taking examinations, for example in music. We will also support unavoidable medical appointments. We will not support or authorise holidays during term time – please refer to our

attendance policy for further details: https://www.laurusryecroft.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/draft_Attendance-Policy_LR.pdf

What language will my child learn?

Your child will learn Spanish, please note this cannot be changed. Your child will, if they desire, have the option to learn a second language in Key Stage 4.

Where should my child go on the first day?

Access to the school will be via Cryer Street. Students should assemble in the refectory from 8.20am by Tuesday 4th September.

When can my child use their mobile phone?

We appreciate many students use these to contact home if required on their way to or way home from school. However, mobiles are NOT required in school and should be placed in the lockers provided as soon as your child arrives at school each morning. This also means students are not allowed their phones out at break and lunchtime, in the canteen, playground or on the corridors.

If your child needs to contact home during the school day, they should see Miss Pryce.

How short can my child have their hair cut?

We do not allow haircuts that are less than a shave number two. If your child attends school with excessively short hair they will be kept in isolation. For further information please refer to our uniform policy: <https://www.laurusryecroft.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/LR-School-Uniform-Policy.pdf>

What shoes can my child wear?

At Laurus Ryecroft students are not allowed to wear any kind of trainers. For further information please refer to our uniform guide and policy: <https://www.laurusryecroft.org.uk/school-uniform/>

What Electives can my child do?

Electives will begin during the second week of term. These will be announced in form time and by class teachers. This means that, during the first week and second week, the school day will end at 15.45pm, with the exception of Wednesday which will end at 13.45pm.

Finally, I wish you a very happy summer, let's hope the sun keeps shining! I look forward to seeing all our new year 7 on Tuesday 4th September at 8.20am.