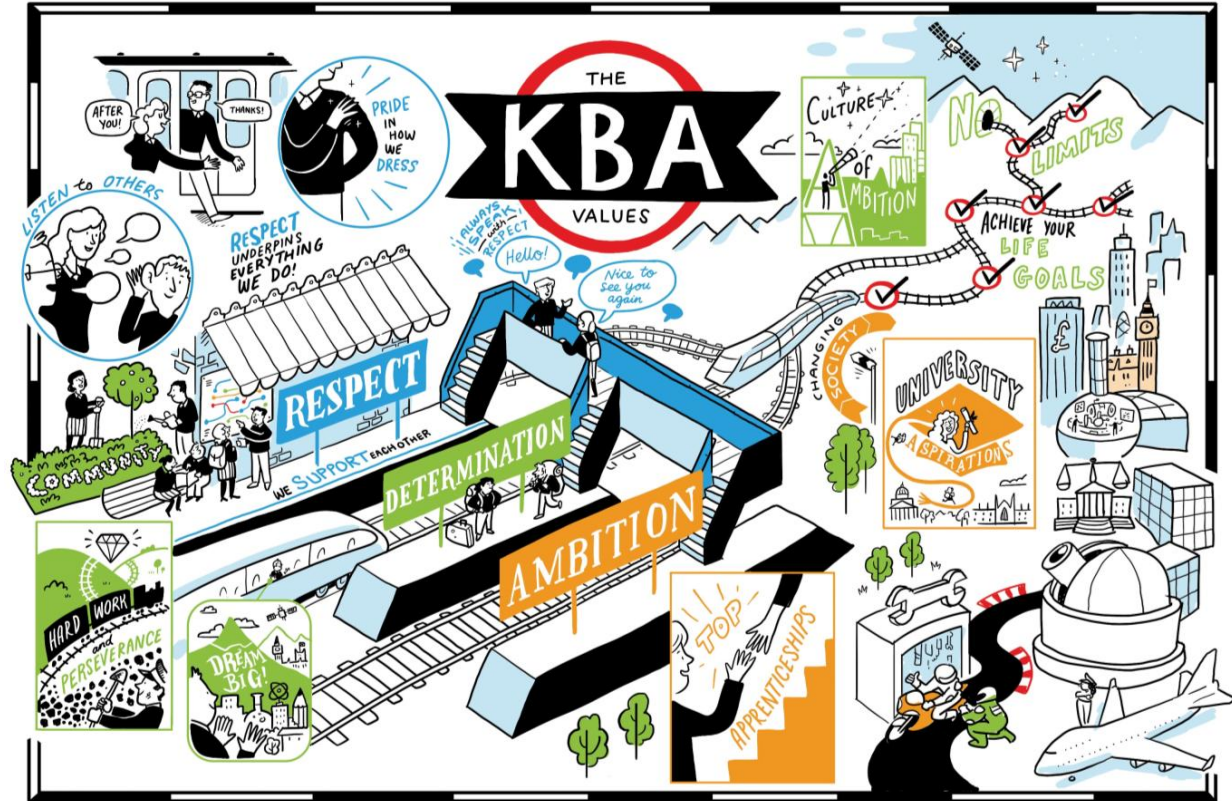


Welcome to Transition Evening



Year 7 Transition Evening

Mr Shaw Principal



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"The school is **inclusive**."

"Pupils **achieve well** at this **popular** and **thriving** school."

"Pupils, including children in the early years, benefit from a **vibrant learning environment**."

"Relationships are **positive**."

"Staff **morale** is high."

"Leaders are highly **ambitious** for pupils and staff."

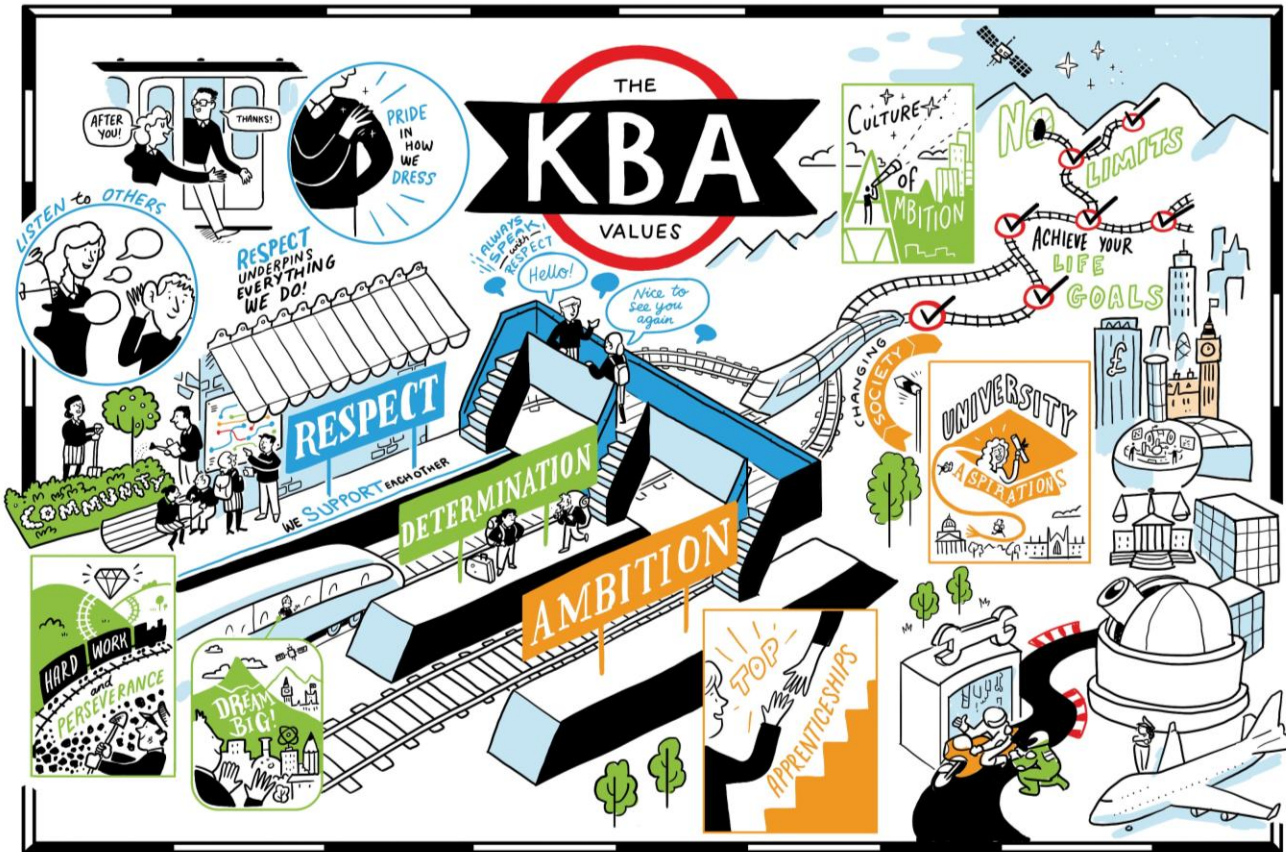
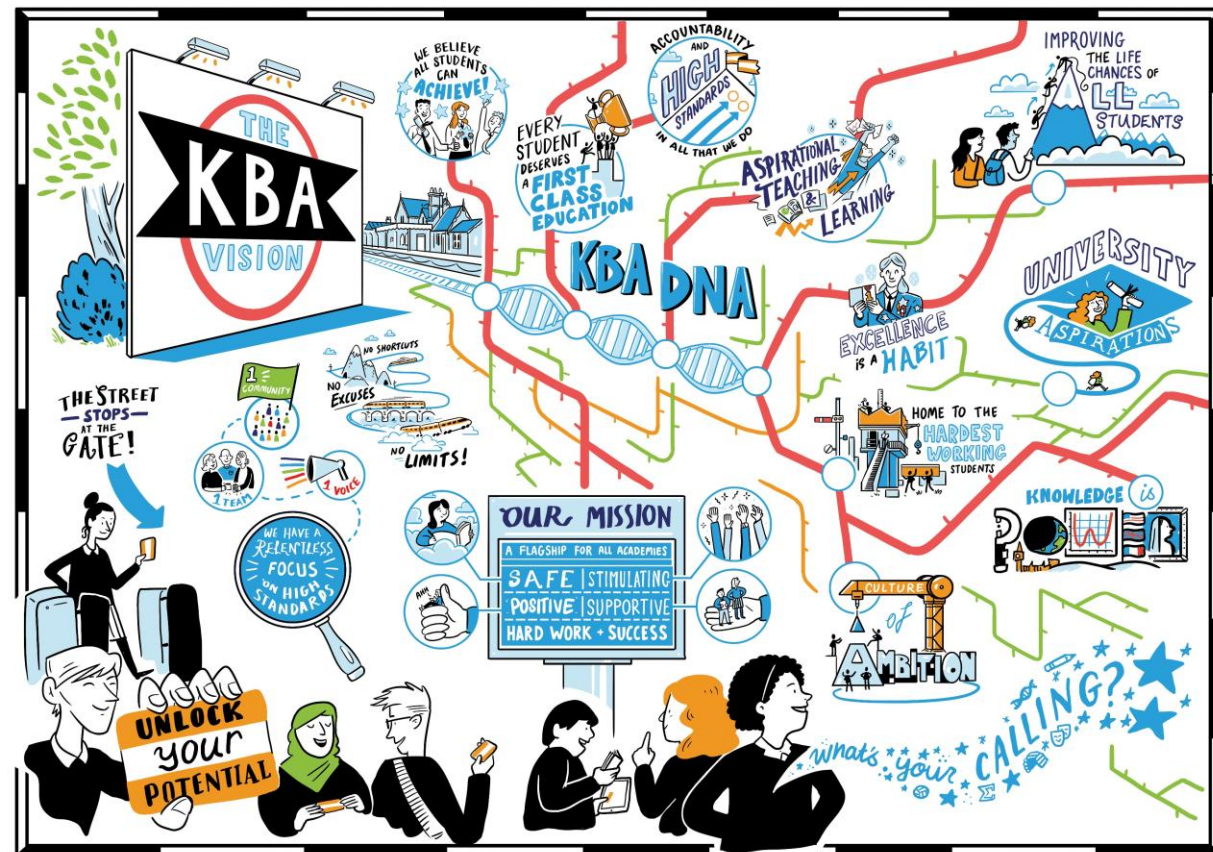
"Pupils understand how to **conduct themselves respectfully**."

"Pupils are **well cared for**. They **feel safe** and **attend well**."

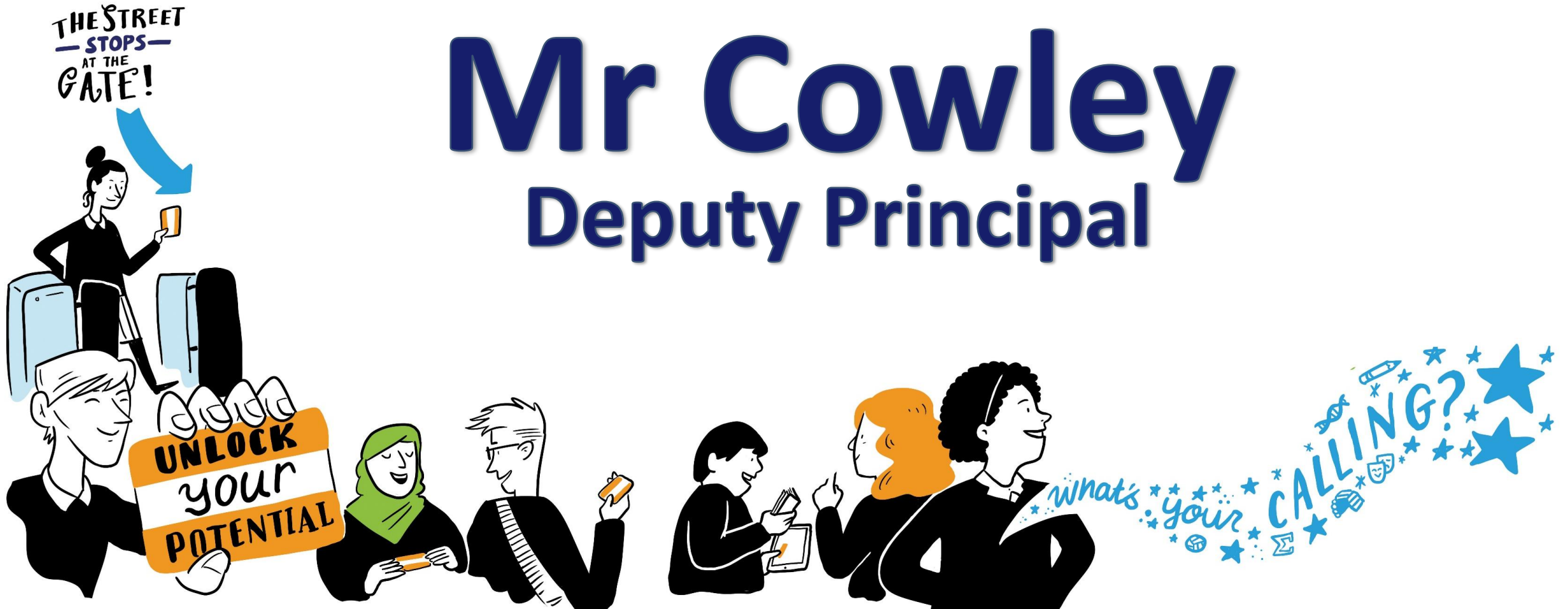
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with **OUTSTANDING** Leadership and Management, **OUTSTANDING** Sixth Form Provision and **OUTSTANDING** Personal Development

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Mr Cowley
Deputy Principal

Assessment and Academic Performance

- During Year 7 students' first week (from Monday 8th September) they will have the following assessments:
 - **MidYis (Cognitive Ability) Tests**
 - **NGRT and NGST (Reading and Spelling Tests)**
- In the first 2 full weeks, students will also be tested in the following subjects:
 - **English**
 - **Mathematics**
- Year 7 students will initially be set in English, Maths and Science using the KS2 Reading and Maths scaled scores.
- Our internal assessments will allow us to baseline the students accurately and will allow us to modify the teaching sets in English, Mathematics and Science from **Monday 29th September**.

Important Dates

Friday 26th September 2025

- Baseline testing report and NEW timetable (+ New Ma/En/Sc sets via updated timetable)

Thursday 13th November 2025

- Year 7 Parents' Evening (in-person 5-8pm)

January 2026

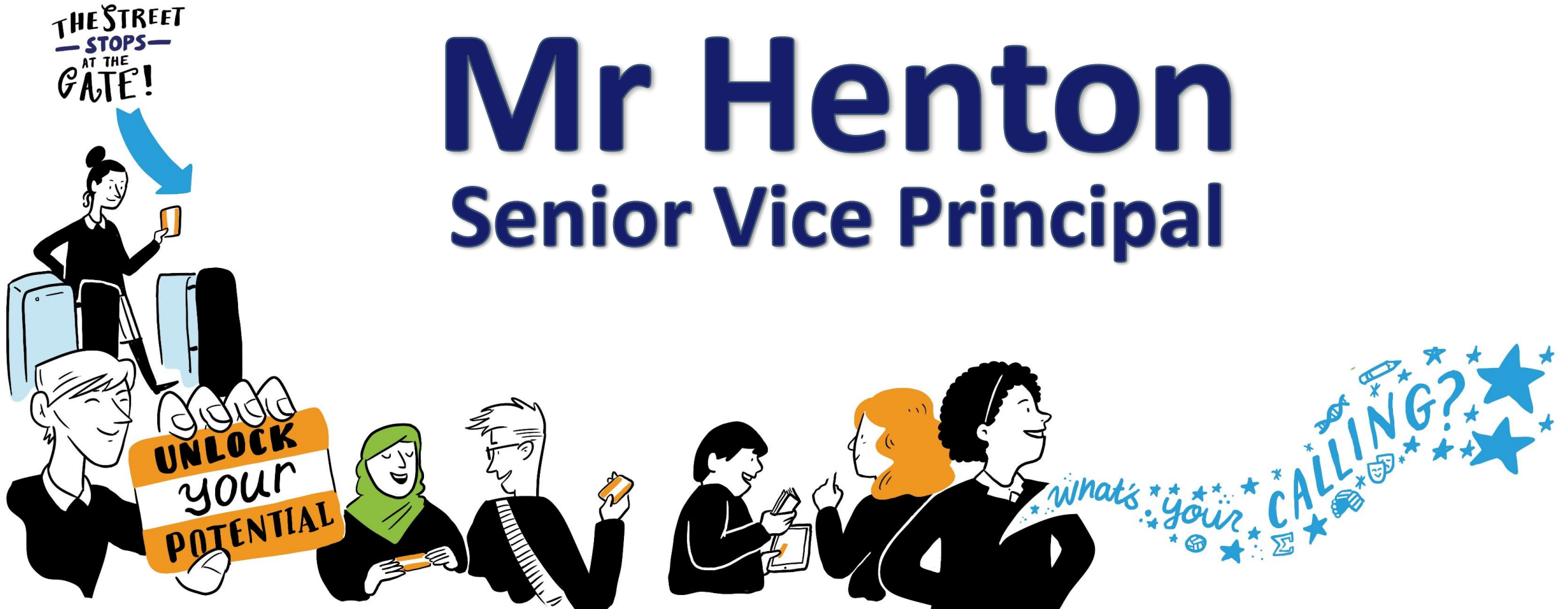
- Mid-year testing in all subjects
- Mid-year report – Tuesday 10th February 2026

June/July 2026

- End of Year testing in all subjects
- Year 7 End of Year report - Tuesday 14th July 2026

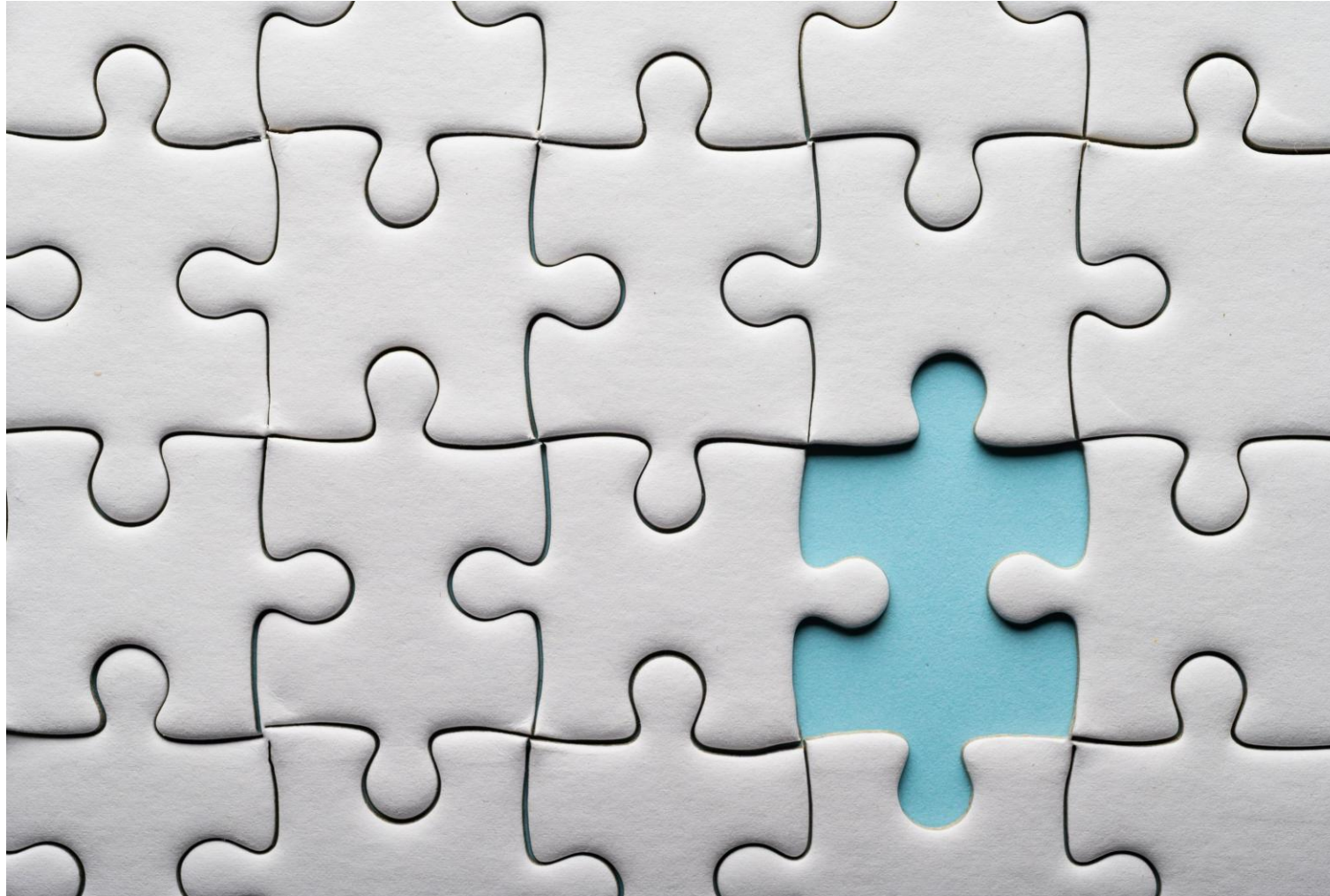


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Mr Henton Senior Vice Principal

Attendance



Attendance



Minimum Expected Attendance : 96%

100%	No days missed	No hours of learning missed
90%	19.5 days missed	117 hours of learning missed
80%	39 days missed	234 hours of learning missed

Core Values



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WE DO!



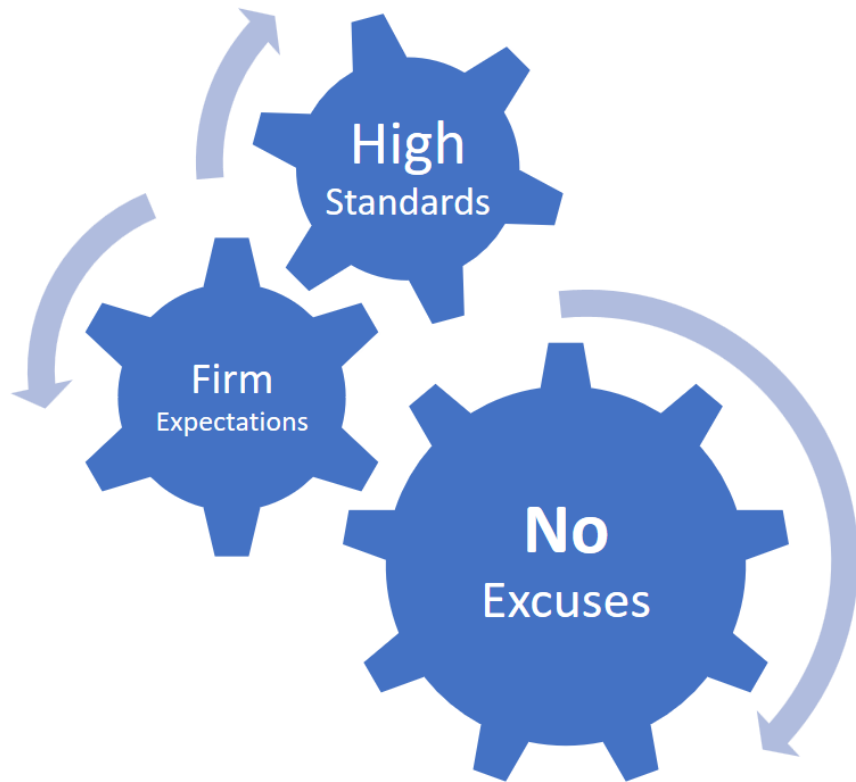
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Disruption Free Learning



**YOU DESERVE
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EVERY LESSON**



Behaviour Systems

The academy asks students who are not meeting the expectation of **Disruption Free Learning** to work outside mainstream lessons for a period of time.

On these rare occasions, students work in the **Reflection Room**. The room is supervised by a member of staff between the hours of 08:00 and 16:00.

Students may also be placed in the Reflection Room due to poor behaviour during breaktime, lunchtime or after school or as a sanction for a more significant behavioural incident.

When in the Reflection Room, students complete work in line with the curriculum plans for their subject timetable.

Students must work hard and behave in the Reflection Room in order to rejoin their lessons.



Behaviour Systems

Each day a detention session runs for 30 minutes.

Detentions are consistent and predictable and are given for the following reasons (please note this is not an exhaustive list)

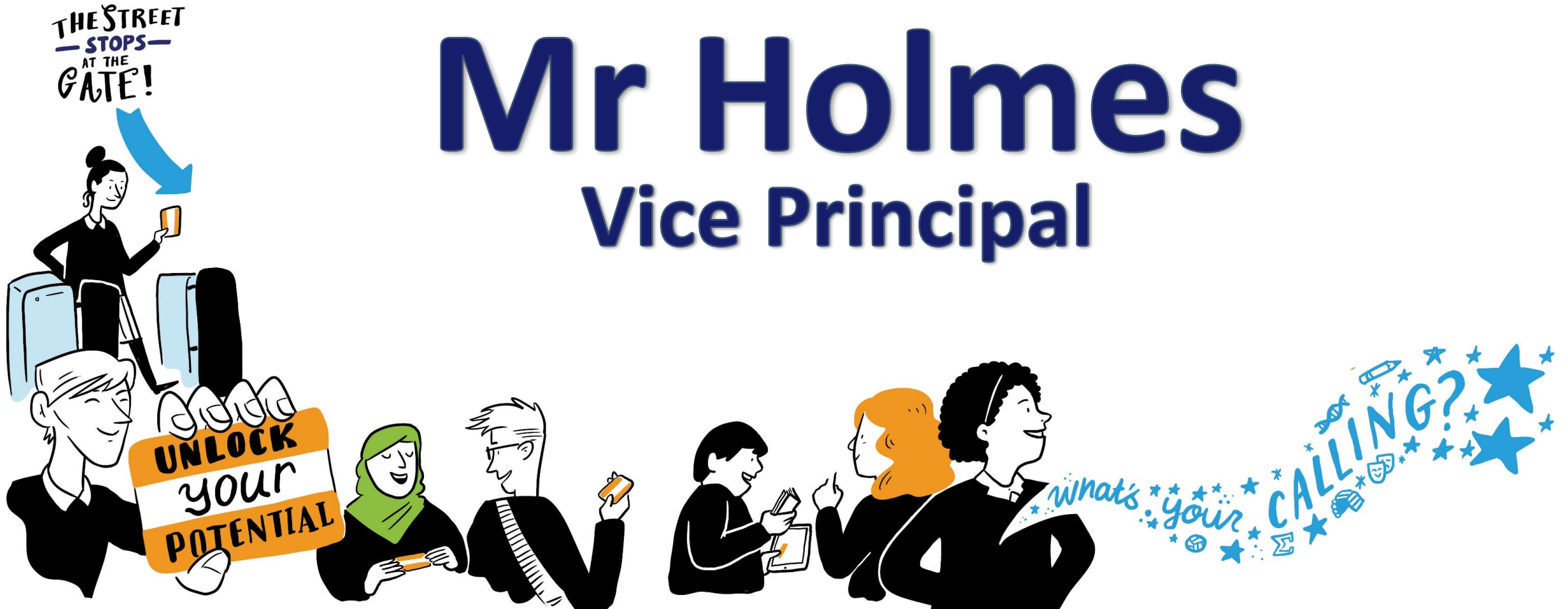
- Lateness to school and/or lessons
- Issues with uniform
- Behavioural incidents (other than those already mentioned)

Longer detentions run each week if students miss their initial detention



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Mr Holmes Vice Principal

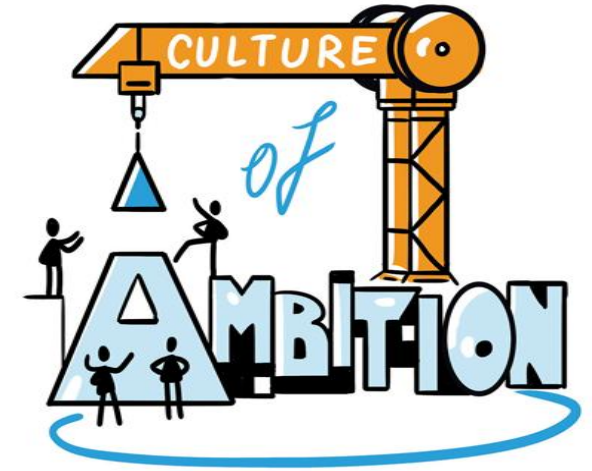


Curriculum

At KBA we have a two-week timetable.

In Year 7 students will have 50 lessons per fortnight. They will study:

- English and Maths – 8 lessons
- Science – 7 lessons
- Geography, History, MFL – 5 lessons
- PE – 5 lessons
- Art and RE – 2 lessons
- Computer Science, Design technology, Music – 1 lesson



Students will study a bespoke RSE and Careers curriculum through a weekly drop-down lesson which rotates through the timetable.

Devices to support Learning



- Each student has been provided with the opportunity to either purchase or lease a Chromebook for use in school and at home through our partners Tech 4 Learners.
- These devices will be used on a daily basis in school and support with our homework programme which is driven through online platforms.
- If you have any further questions or need to sign up to the scheme then please see a member of the team after the presentation.

Year 7 Boughton Estate Trip

- In September 2025 we are running our annual trip for all Year 7 students at the beginning of their time at KBA Secondary.
- This will help them to make friendships with those in their form, and House.
- We want them to have some fun!



Homework

All homework is recorded on **Arbor**. This is the MIS our academy trust uses.



- Homework is set every week for English, Maths and Science on one of the Sparx online learning platforms.
- Other departments may also set tasks for students such as learning key subject terms, spellings and vocabulary or revision for assessments.
- Completion is monitored and rewards given to students for good completions of work.

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Miss Thompson Head of Year 7



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Letter

You will receive a letter that will provide you with lots of information such as the following:

- Timings of the day
- Tutor details
- Free School meal access
- ScoPay
- Uniform requirements and expectations
- Equipment requirements and expectations

Year 7

- Contact information- nikkithompson@kba.uk
- Communication is key- We are a team
- Honesty, Responsibility and personal growth

FAQ

- Lates
- Homework
- Use of toilets

"I was nervous on my first day but teachers and other pupils made me feel happy here."
Year 7 student

"I have had opportunities to attend clubs and attend trips during year 7 which I have loved."
Year 7 student

"I have loved learning new things in my lessons that I didn't know in primary school."
Year 7 student

EMPOWERING PARENTS TO HELP CHILDREN THRIVE



Bounce Forward, in collaboration with the Harry Kane Foundation, are gifting a series of six online sessions that equip parents with the knowledge and tools to foster mental resilience and emotional wellbeing for themselves and their children.

What we'll cover

- How the brain works, the link between thoughts, feelings and behaviour
- Nurturing optimism and thinking flexibly to overcome adversity
- Helping children gain more control over how they feel and behave
- Developing empathy
- How to connect meaningfully
- Enabling a growth mindset and focusing on strengths

- Bounce forward is a new initiative.
- You will be sent the flyer via email to be able to sign up if you think this would support

September Arrangements

Your child's first day as a KBA Secondary student will be **Wednesday 3rd September**.

All students enter the building through **Student Reception** and will head straight into the theatre. Form tutors will meet students there.

Please ensure that your child arrives **no earlier than 8:15am** and **no later than 8:25am**.



Richard Shaw : Principal

Town Hall Meeting (via Microsoft Teams)

Monday 1st September 6.30pm

<https://kba.uk/townhallmeeting>