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Start of Term Arrangements – September 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

Firstly, I would like to thank you all for your support during this academic year. As we approach the end of term, I felt it was important to write to you to explain our end of term arrangements and the plan for learners on their return in September 2022.

On Friday 22nd July 2022, we have our end of term rewards assembly at 11:15am. After this, learners will begin to be **dismissed from 12:15 onwards**. This week we have shared information with our learners on staying safe over the Summer Holidays. As always, we are here to provide support remotely, our support email address will be checked periodically by the safeguarding team. If you or your child have any concerns about wellbeing or need to reach out, please email support@thelinkacademy.org.uk. Learners can also access wellbeing mental health support via www.kooth.com and they can download the app onto their device to access support.

In September, **learners will all return to school on Tuesday 6th September 2022**. They will return in a slightly staggered way to allow for Year 7 learners to get settled into their new forms. The arrangements are outlined below, and learners will report to their form (except for Y7 who will be met as they arrive and directed to the yard).

Year Group	Return Time on 6 th Sept	Entrance/Exit	Break	Lunch
7	8:40am meet on yard then to form	Car park/Ramp/Gate E	2nd break 11:00am astros and sports hall toilets, for first two weeks	12:45pm in small dining hall and yard
8	10:15am to form	Car park/Ramp/Gate E	2nd break 11:00am large front dining hall and front of school	13:15pm in small dining hall and yard
9	9:30am to form	Car park/Ramp/Gate E	1 st break 10:40am small dining hall and yard	12:15pm in small dining hall and yard
10	10:15am to form	Simms Lane front of school	2nd break 11:00am large front dining hall and front of school	13:15pm in large front dining hall and front of school
11	9:30am to form	Simms Lane front of school	1 st break 10:40am large front dining hall and front of school	12:15pm in large front dining hall and front of school

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When learners return in September, it is vital that they arrive in the correct **Academy uniform**. Uniform and PE kit can be purchased from Crested School Wear, Churchill Shopping Centre, Dudley, DY2 7BL. Year 11 learners can arrive in their black Link Academy tie, and they will be given their new Y11 tie in the assembly on 6th September 2022. Year 7 learners will receive their first blazer and tie, free of charge but you must take ID to Crested School Wear to prove the identity of your child and to order your blazer. If your child is new in Y7 and has not yet received their new tie, this will be given to them on their first day in school.

Uniform expectations are outlined below, **trainers/boots and canvas shoes or high tops are not allowed**, only black polishable or patent shoes with **no logos/Nike ticks etc.** Learners are also expected to bring a school bag, large enough to fit their books. If your child chooses to wear a **black school skirt, this must be knee length** when walking.



The Link Academy Uniform 2022-2023



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Learners are expected to bring the following basic equipment to school with them:

Black pens, red pen, green pen, pencil, ruler, eraser, calculator, and PE Kit. Failure to bring the correct equipment to school results in a learner losing a line in their planner.

When we return in September, we will be offering more extracurricular clubs than ever before! Those opportunities are shared at the end of this letter and they include breakfast, lunch, afterschool and PE clubs. We aim for every learner to be attending a minimum of one extra curricular club (hopefully more) and our staff are committed to ensuring that we provide the best opportunities to enhance our curriculum.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a restful and safe summer break. We look forward to welcoming our learners back in September!

Yours faithfully

Mrs Emma Edwards-Morgan
Principal



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The Link Academy Extra Curricular

After School Opportunities 2022-2023

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Express Yourself – RE club Mrs Slater 2:45-3:30pm Room A305	STEM Gliders Every week 2 Mr Walker Room C008 2:45-3:45pm	Keyboard and Drumming Club Mr Morgan Room D102/Music Practice 2:45-3:45pm	Club de jeux – French club Mrs Morris and Mrs McIlwraith Room A102 2:45-3:45pm
Masterchef First Tuesday every month 2:45-3:45pm Mrs Haywood and Mr Parsons Room C007	Y9 Jewellery Resin Club Every week 1 Mrs S Reynolds Room C008 2:45-3:45pm	Choir Mrs Jones Room D103 2:45-3:45pm	Home Learning Club In LSU 2:45-3:45pm all years welcome!
Hamlet Rehearsals Various staff D003 2:45-3:45pm	KS3 Art/Photography Club Miss Bates Room C108 2:45-3:45pm	Hamlet Rehearsals Various staff D003 2:45-3:45pm	
Rock School Bands Mr Morgan Room D102/Music Practice 2:45-3:45pm	Sparx Maths Club Mrs Homer Room A101 2:45-3:45pm	KS3 Art/Photography Club Mrs Davies Room C109 2:45-3:45pm	
KS3 Drama Club (Jan 2023 onwards) Miss Stanford Room D004 2:45-3:45pm	Barclays Money Matters Mr Gardner Room B102 2:45-3:45pm	KS3 Film Club (Jan 2023 onwards) Mr Lewis Room D003 2:45-3:45pm	
Eco Club Mr White/Mrs Dunne Room A301/302 2:45-3:45pm	Maths KS3 Topic Help! Mrs Bassi Room B004 2:45-3:45pm	Journal Writing KS3 Every week 2 Miss Rose Room A201 2:45-3:45pm	
Newspaper/Journalist Club KS3/4 Mrs Allen Room A204 2:45-3:45pm	Reading Club KS4 Miss Merrick Room B201 2:45-3:45pm	Science Club Y7 Mrs Szygowski in C105 2:45-3:45pm	
Creative Writing KS3 Every week 1 Mr Russon Room B203 2:45-3:45pm	Guardians of the Galaxy – Science Miss Sisodia in C104 2:45-3:45pm	Gardening Club All welcome. In the house with Miss Hill 2:45-3:45pm	
KS3 Retro Gaming Club Mr Atton Room C001 2:45-3:45pm	Dance Club Mrs Rutter in D001 2:45-3:45pm	Home Learning Club In LSU 2:45-3:45pm all years welcome!	
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History Club Various staff 2:45-3:30pm Room C111 2:45-3:45pm	Climbing Gym (offsite, 12 places, sign up Sept) Every week 2 Mr Woodhall – times will be shared by letter		



The Link Academy Extra Curricular		Breakfast and Lunchtime Opportunities 2022-2023				
		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Food will be provided for breakfast clubs!		LSU Breakfast Club LSU Kitchen All years welcome! 8:10am-8:40am	LSU Breakfast Club LSU Kitchen All years welcome! 8:10am-8:40am	LSU Breakfast Club LSU Kitchen All years welcome! 8:10am-8:40am	Maths Breakfast Club – A101 All years welcome! 8:20am-8:40am LSU Breakfast Club LSU Kitchen All years welcome! 8:10am-8:40am	LSU Breakfast Club LSU Kitchen All years welcome! 8:10am-8:40am
		Year 8 Drama Club Ms Stanford / Mr Lewis	Year 9 Music Club – Mr Morgan / Mrs Jones	Year 8 Music Club – Mr Morgan / Mrs Jones	Year 9 Drama Club – Mr Lewis Year 7 Music Club – Mr Morgan / Mrs Jones	Year 7 Drama Club – Ms Stanford / Mr Lewis
		 				

PE Extra-Curricular Timetable Autumn Half Term 1 (Sept-Oct 2022)

What time?

**All clubs are
2:45-3:45pm**

Football Club
(years 7&8)
Astro

Dodgeball Club
Gym changing rooms

Football Club
(years 9&10)
Astro

Table Tennis
(years 9&10)
Astro

Basketball
Years 9,10 & 11
Sports Hall/Gym

Tuesday

Netball Club
(years 7&8)
Sports Hall

Dodgeball Club
Gym changing rooms

Wednesday

Dance Club
Dance Studios

Fitness Circuits
Gym Changing Rooms

Thursday

Girls Football
Astro

Netball Club
(years 9&10)
Sports Hall

Unihock Club
Gym changing rooms

Friday

Badminton
Sports Hall/Gym

