

YEAR 6 TRANSITION INFORMATION 2022/23



Welcome Message From Our Newly Appointed Principal



I am very proud to be able to welcome you to the college and community that is Honiton Community College. This year is a special one for you and I, just like you I will be embarking upon my first year at Honiton Community College, as will you. I am excited to be joining a college that has a vibrant and successful student population, and sits so proudly at the heart of our local community. Through my meetings with staff and students, it is clear that respect, ambition and honesty underpin the values of the college, something that I am hoping that you will also notice and value.

As you start what we hope will be a seven-year journey through Honiton Community College, I hope that you will take advantage of the wide variety of opportunities on our wonderful college site, as well the rich and broad curriculum. Our ambition is for you to realise your very best potential, securing outcomes and next steps in line with your highest aspirations.

At Honiton Community College we will have high expectations of all of our students, providing you with an exciting curriculum, coupled with wide ranging and rich experiences. We will help you develop into a happy, healthy and safe young person, who is ready to tackle the challenges of the modern world. We are an inclusive school who celebrate diversity at every possible opportunity, ensuring that our students develop respectful and happy relationships. We strive to instil the skills, ambitions and confidence that you will require to make a positive change and impact upon the communities and world of tomorrow.

Once again, I am delighted to be able to start our journey at Honiton Community College together. Welcome Year 7.

Alex Kirkbride, Principal



The Build Up To The First Day

Between now and your first day

- Representatives of the pastoral team will visit your primary schools to introduce themselves and speak to students and teachers
- You will need to purchase your uniform more details are available on Page 4 and 5
- · Name all of your belongings
- Put together your bag and pencil case making sure you have a pen, pencil, rubber, ruler, calculator, drinks bottle and lunchbox
- Parents/Carers need to sign and return all consent forms
- Make sure you are aware of term dates https://honitoncommunitycollege.co.uk/term-dates-school-day/

On your first day

- We will greet students in the Drama Hall at 8.35am
- Please enter the College by the top gate near the bus park (from 8.15). Staff will be on hand to greet you and help get you where you need to go
- Please wear full college uniform
- Make sure you have all necessary equipment pencil case including black pen, pencil, ruler, rubber and calculator as well as a Rucksack style bag to carry it all in.
- PE kit You do not need to bring this on your first day
- Food for the first week, please bring a packed lunch and drink. (We will provide food for those receiving free school meals).
- Transport will run as normal

Helping you settle

- Being organised can help you be prepared for the day so pack your bag the night before
- Familiarising yourself with your timetable and the College Campus map can help you know where you need to go
- Joining our fantastic range of Extra Curricular clubs is a great way to meet new friends



Uniform Checklist

We expect all students to wear full uniform as listed below and hand the responsibility to them to ensure that this is the case. As well as creating a smart impression and sense of pride, school uniform plays an important part in helping to safeguard the student in college. If, on any occasion, a student comes to school wearing incorrect school uniform, they should report to their tutor or PSO with a note from their parents to explain why. Clear uniform protocols are in place and sanctions will be applied for those that do not conform.

We thank our parents and carers for their support of these protocols.

Compulsory Items

- Black College blazer with Honiton Community College Academy Trust logo
- College Tie
- A College black v- neck jumper with College logo is optional in the colder months (The blazer must still be worn)
- Plain black full length tailored trousers or college skirt. Any skirts must be knee length
- Sensible, plain black all over, leather or leather-look school shoes only. The shoe should cover the whole foot. No patterns or logos should be visible and they must be low heeled. Canvas shoes are not acceptable
- Plain black, grey or white socks (but not allowed over tights)
- Large bag suitable for carrying all equipment (including A4 sized files) and books. A rucksack is advisable, handbags are not permitted

Compulsory items for PE

- Navy and sky blue short-sleeved polo shirt with Honiton community College Academy Trust logo
- Plain navy blue shorts
- Trainers not 'skateboard' type or plimsolls (non-marking soles)
- A change of socks for PE, either white or long navy and sky blue football socks
- Towel and swimming costume. These can be any colour, girls must have a one piece swimming costume, boys shorts must be above the knee

Where can I buy the new uniform?

The items that are specific to Honiton Community College and bear the College logo are only available from:

HONITON SPORTSTHOMAS MOORE66 High Street102-104 Fore StreetHonitonExeter(01404) 42100(01392) 255711

Other plain items such as trousers, shirts, and PE shorts etc. that comply with our uniform policy can be purchased locally from Honiton Sports, or alternatively from the suppliers such as ASDA, TESCO, Marks & Spencer etc.

Uniform Policy

Hair Styles

Hair styles should avoid extremes of fashion. Extreme hairstyles, for example include "Tram lines" of any kind, colours other than natural hair colours, "Mohican" cuts, distinct differences in length or colour, hair covering the eyes and face, are not acceptable. If you are unsure whether a hairstyle is acceptable please contact your Head of Pastoral or Pastoral Support Officer for clarification.

Jewellery

- Earrings should be discreet, stud only, two in total
- Necklaces, rings, bracelets, wristbands, facial and body piercings (including tongue piercings) are not permitted
- Any drawings/henna tattoos/body art are not permitted
- A wristwatch may be worn (no smart watches are allowed in exams). Any smart watches should be disabled from sending/receiving messages in college
- Make up must be so discreet as to be unnoticeable

The following are not acceptable uniform:

- Trousers must not be excessively skinny or baggy and must be worn on the waist (not low slung) and full length Leggings, denim, jean-style, canvas, flare style or corduroy trousers are not acceptable
- All skirts other than the official college design are not acceptable. The skirt should be knee length
- Sandals, flip-flops, dolly shoes, high-heeled shoes, knee and ankle boots are not acceptable
- Logos on belts, buckles, trousers or skirts
- Fitted shirts
- Coloured nail varnish and gel/acrylic/false nails
- "Hoodies". Any coat worn to and in college must protect against cold and rain

PE Kit:

Addition/Optional Items (depending on PE curriculum, sport/subject choices): For Football and Rugby units:

- Navy and sky blue rugby/football long-sleeved shirt
- Long navy and sky blue football socks
- Shin pads
- Gum shield
- Football boots

(Advised to wait and see PE curriculum in September before purchasing)

Order through PROSERVE, collect an order form from the College/download from the PE section on the website:

- Navy tracksuit bottoms with Honiton Community College Academy Trust logo for PE
- Navy PE hoodie with Honiton Community College Academy Trust logo for PE
- Navy leggings with Honiton Community College Academy Trust logo for PE
- Navy base layers with Honiton Community College Academy Trust logo for PE
- Navy skorts with Honiton Community College Academy Trust logo for PE are an optional extra for certain sports (see PE staff for more information)

Wellbeing And Pastoral Care

We will support and challenge all of our students at Honiton to enable them to "take their place as a learner". We put a great emphasis on pastoral care to ensure that each student feels understood, respected and safe in our community. The college's pastoral systems provide excellent care, guidance and support so that our students know who to turn to if they are experiencing any of life's challenges. Our Pastoral team has a deservedly strong reputation and includes our Heads of Pastoral, our Pastoral Support Officers and our Safeguarding and Well-being Centre teams. Students are organised into tutor groups within their years and meet their tutor on a daily basis.

We ask every member of our community to contribute to upholding our three rights:

- The Right to Learn
- The Right to Respect and Fair Treatment
- The Right to be Safe

In order to be successful at school all students need to develop secure relationships which enable them to feel safe, secure and good about who they are. For this to happen, relationships need to be at the heart of our college life. Our aim is to provide our students with as many positive relationships as possible; that way they feel supported to flourish as part of our community.

Pastoral Support Officers (PSOs):

The role of the pastoral team is to support and challenge our students to attain their very best. We offer a coordinated response to those students facing difficulties; supporting with a relational, attachment based approach and challenging through the judicious use of consequences and restorative conversations.

Our Well-being Centre Team

The college has a team of highly skilled, committed and caring Mental Health and Well-being practitioners who offer support for any of our community facing challenges to their well-being. Our practitioners offer a range of support; one to one sessions, group work and informal drop ins at the centre. They are also available to support any student who is dysregulated and temporarily unable to access lessons.

"Summit" Meetings

Our pastoral team – comprising of Heads of Pastoral, Safeguarding, Well-being and SEN practitioners – meet once a week to discuss appropriate interventions and support for any student who is facing difficulties in college. Our team works closely with external agencies, where appropriate, to ensure that the best possible support is made available.

Celebrating Success

Success comes in many different forms and can be achieved both inside and outside of the classroom. We like to celebrate how fantastic our students are so we take the time to make sure people know about it.



We celebrate by:

- Praise Points
- Certificates and badges
- Celebration Breakfast
- Tutor group rewards e.g. non-unform days
- End of Year trips and activities
- Year 11 Leaver's Celebrations
- Newsletter

Welcome To Weduc



Here at Honiton Community College, we use a digital communications tool called Weduc which is specifically designed for Parent and Carers.

Weduc allows you to see live updates about your child's education meaning you will never miss a moment of your child's learning Journey. It ensures you receive alerts and keep updated with

College news, trips, learning activities important announcements, key dates and events, attendance information and much more!

We also use Weduc for dinner money and payment for trips and you can report your child's absence if they are ill. It is a vital means of communication and we ask that all parents and carers sign up in advance of your child joining HCC.

You will receive an enrolment message to your email address which will have an enrolment code and instructions on how to register. Please complete this process when you receive the email as, once everyone has signed up, we will share the necessary forms that must be completed to enable your child to join us in September. These will include contact detail forms, medical forms and consent forms. More information will follow.

Main Features

Targeted Messaging...

• View all school communications such • our very own social media-style as push messages, emails, texts & notifications in one secure location.

Newsfeed...

community that allows you to follow your child's learning and view any pictures, videos or posts relevant to your child.

Parent Portal...

- Want to check your child's progress in College?
- View your child's attendance & other key statistics around their learning.
- Report your child absent.

Download the app

Visit:

weduc.co.uk/mobile-app







Please note, you will need to register before you can use the app. Speak to your school to get vour enrolment

Dashboard

See a snapshot of upcoming events, important notices unread messages and much more...



Newsfeed

Your very own social media-style community that allows you to see information and photos from within school.



Calendar

View the schools calendar and how it affects you and your child.



Parent Portal

View all information on your child's attendance and behaviour in school, report absences in advance without needing to call, access to your child's timetable and instant messaging to teachers.



Notices

See all the schools important updates separate for quick and easy reminders.



Forms

No more paper forms, quizzes and surveys. Simply fill out online and rest assured that the school has your response instantly.



Digital Library

View files shared with you by the school and it's teachers.



The Hub

One Login, One Location. Easily view all other systems the school uses and helpful links from one place.

Extra Curricular



We run a very extensive extra curricular programme here at Honiton and it is a great way for students from different year groups to get to know each and make new friends.

Below are the details of all the extra-curricular activities running at the College this Autumn term. These will be similar to what will be available in September 2022.

Please take this opportunity to get active, get creative or to try something new.

		MONDAY			
Activity	Time	Years	Years Location		
Rounders	1:15 – 1:45	Year 7	Allhallows	H Bown	
Rounders	1:15 – 1:45	Year 10	Allhallows	P Salter	
Teen Circuits* (See LED for details)	3:15 - 4	11-15 years	LED gym	LED instructors	
Get Active Gym* (See LED for details)	3-4	11-15 years	LED gym	LED instructors	
The HCC Book Hub A twice weekly lunchtime club for you to other read quietly or take part in various book related activities.	1.15pm – 2pm	All	Library	E Milford	
Lego Club	1:15pm – 2pm	7, 8, 9, 10, 11	LS2	S Lale	
GCSE Music Revision Sessions GCSE Music revision for year 10 and 11 students	13.15-13.55	10 & 11	MU1	J Kidd	
		TUESDAY			
Activity	Time	Years	Years Location		
Rounders	1:15 – 1:45	Year 8	Allhallows	E Leach	
Rounders	1:15 – 1:45	Year 9	Allhallows	T Skelding	
Get Active Gym* (See LED for details)	3-4	11-15 years	LED gym	LED instructors	
Creative Imedia Drop in and Catch up Need extra time to complete coursework projects? Need to develop technical skills for your final projects?	3:10pm – 4:20pm	10 & 11	ІТ4	A Dytor	
Drama Tech Club – Week A Looking at the behind the stage of theatre, the technical aspects of putting on a performance.	1:30pm	10, 11, 12, 13	Drama hall	J Beresford	
Vocalectives Choir for all years with a particular focus on popular songs.	13.15-13.55	7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13	MU1	J Kidd	
GCSE Photography Club Extra support for students taking GCSE photography. This session offers students the opportunity for extra one:one teaching time to help them push their creative ideas, by using the studio or light box for photo shoot or to simply help them catch up on any missed worked.	GCSE Photography Club ra support for students taking CSE photography. This session rs students the opportunity for tra one:one teaching time to elp them push their creative as, by using the studio or light x for photo shoot or to simply o them catch up on any missed		СЗ	K Robinson	

WEDNESDAY									
Activity	Time			Years		Location		Staff Member In Charge	
Volleyball	1:15-1:45			7-10		College Field/Gym		AME	
Athletics	3-4			All		College Field		A, TSK, ELE, AME, HBW	
Get Active Gym* (See LED for details)	3-4			11-15 years		LED gym	LED instructors		
Art Club (invite only) & GCSE Art Workshop	3pm – 4pm			7, 8, 9 10	C6		K Blockley D Creed		
KS3 Script Writing Club Students in KS3 will have the opportunity to create scripts from their own imagination and be supported in the development of their creations.	1:30pm			7, 8, 9		Drama Hall		J Beresford / M Culwick	
Jazz Band Jazz band - open to all musicians of any standard.	3pm – 4pm			7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13		MU1		J Kidd	
THURSDAY									
Activity	Tin			Years		Location		Staff Member In Charge	
Tennis		1:15-1:4	5	All		LED Courts		ATA	
	Get Active Gym* (See LED for details)			11-15 years		LED gym		LED instructors	
Amnesty International Club A chance for students to learn and get involved with Amnesty International's Human Rights campaigns.		1:20pm – 1:50pm		KS3 / KS4		PE2		I Stacpoole	
The HCC Book Hub A twice weekly lunchtime club for you to other read quietly or take		1.15pm – 2pm		All		Library		E Milford	
part in various book related activities. MFL Club Come along for a chance to discover the world around you and widen your perspective of other cultures and communities. Here are some of the things MFL club will do: French arts and crafts, Find out about traditions in France and Francophone countries, Take part in an escape room, Scavenger hunt, French themed bake-off, Guest speakers, Learn effective revision tips, Exam techniques, Learn words from other languages, Learn survival holiday French, Sample, French food, Games and activities and Cooking classes		1:20pm – 1:50pm		7&8		L4	L4 M Thee		
	STEM Club – starting after May half term (9 th June) Problem solving activities. First project is making a glider		2pm	7, 8 & 9		S2 / C2		J Murch, B Dupre	
Music Technology Club For students interested in making music using a computer / exploring recording techniques / recording sound / manipulating sound on a computer.		13.15-13.55		7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13		MU2		J Kidd	
FRIDAY									
Activity	Time			Years		Location		Staff Member In Charge	
Sports Leadership & A level/GCSE/BTEC revision/ D of E evidence logging	1.15-1.45	1.15-1.45		Relevant students		PE4 / PE1		ATA/AME/PSA	
Get Active Gym* (See LED for details)	3-4			11-15 years		LED gym		LED instructors	
French Cinema Club	1:35pm – 2pm			7, 8, 9, 10, 11		MFL-L3		S Marzougui	
Safe Space There will be quiet games, activities as well as mental health and wellbeing resources and information available.	1.15-1.45			7, 8, 9, 10, 11		E 5		S Peace	

College Catering

Innovate IFG

Innovate provide our catering services and we work closely with them to ensure the needs of students are met. They are an important part of our school community and will regularly seek feedback from students and parents/carers to ensure they are providing the best offering possible.

The Dining room opening times:

Breakfast: 7.45 to 8.30 with a choice of cooked breakfast, Danish pastry's, cereal or fruit.

Break-time: 10:55 - 11:15 & **Lunchtime:** 13:15 - 14:00.

During these times students have a whole range of food available to them from various filled hot and cold, sandwiches, Baguettes and Wraps to Korean Rice dishes, Noodles and Pizzas. The menu changes regularly to ensure a wide variety of options.

There are a host of meal deals all provided at £2.50, so whether you qualify for free school meals or are looking to keep down costs, there is always a nutritious meal waiting for all students:

- Plated Main course and dessert from the restaurant menu
- A hot wrap and a flapjack, piece of fruit or shortbread
- A Sub Roll and a flapjack, piece of fruit or shortbread



The Blue dOt meal deal where a whole chiller area full of rolls, fruit, small drinks and cakes are available with any 4 items for the meal deal price of £2.50

If you have any particular dietary requirements we are happy to discuss these with you, please talk to Jackie our (Catering Manager) in the kitchen, she would love to help.

All allergen information is available on the packaging of wrapped goods and we have the data for all other dishes at the point of sale – Please just ask the staff.

Facial Recognition

With the ongoing spread of Covid-19, we have invested in the most up to date technology and our tills use facial recognition to identify the customers. Using the child's school photo our tills pick up their face and identify them in our database so that their account can be used to finalise the transaction. You will be sent a **Weduc** link to fund the account and view it's usage. This is by far the quickest method at the till and means your child can enjoy so much more of their lunch time.





Free school Meals

If you are eligible for Free School Meals, we have a variety of dishes available including the meal deals above, which can be bought with your daily funding allowance.

This is a private matter, so credit is loaded automatically onto your card and is used in the same way as all our customers.

Extra money can be loaded on to the cards, if you wish, and does not impact on the funding at all. We ask that all parents/carers complete the Free School Meals application via the app link provided.

This ensures that if you qualify or your circumstances change in future we will be informed of the funding.

Transport



Devon County Council has a policy on the provision of college transport. It provides, for example, free college transport where a student of compulsory college age lives beyond the agreed statutory distance from the College serving the home address. The statutory distance is defined as three miles for those aged eight or over. To qualify, the statutory distance is measured by using the shortest available route between the home and the College.

It is parental responsibility to arrange for children to travel in safety between home and picking-up and setting-down points. Where the Authority is not obliged to provide transport it is the parents' responsibility to make arrangements for, and meet the costs of, travel between home and College.

Where spare seats on the County Council's College transport vehicles or contractors' vehicles are available, these may be occupied by children not entitled to free College transport on the purchase of a concessionary ticket. Adequate warning will be given to parents should the concession need to be withdrawn.

 $More\ information\ can\ be\ found\ here\ \underline{www.devon.gov.uk/education} and families/school-information/school-and-college-\underline{transport}$

Our Designated Transport Buses and Areas

Dartline Coaches
Parnells Coaches
Stagecoach
Trip

HON001 - Awliscombe HON002 - Feniton-Luton

HON003 - Dunkeswell

HON005 - Yarcombe -Stockland -Cotleigh HON006 - Monkton - Upottery - Stockland

HON008 - Broadhembury - Awliscombe HON009 - Luppitt - Beacon - Honiton

HON011 - Wilmington - Offwell HON015 - Upottery - Rawridge HON019 - Membury - Yarcombe

Term Dates and College Day

AUTUMN TERM 2022

Monday 5 September 2022 – Non-Student Day Tuesday 6 September 2022 – Non-Student Day Wednesday 7 September 2022 – Start of Term Monday 24 to Friday 28 October 2022 – Half Term Tuesday 20 December 2022 – Last Day of Term

SPRING TERM 2023

Tuesday 3 January 2023 – Non-Student Day Wednesday 4 January 2023 – Start of Term Monday 13 to Friday 17 February 2023 – Half Term Friday 31 March 2023 – Last Day of Term

SUMMER TERM 2023

Monday 17 April 2023 – Start of Term Monday 1 May 2023 – Bank Holiday Monday 29 May to 2 June 2023 – Half Term Monday 26 June 2023 – Non-Student Day Friday 21 July 2023 – Last Day of Term

08.35 - 08.55	- Registration
08.55 - 09.55	- Lesson 1
09.55 - 10.55	- Lesson 2
10.55 - 11.15	- Break
11.15 - 12.15	- Lesson 3
12.15 - 13:15	- Lesson 4
13.15 - 14:00	- Lunch
14:00 - 15:00	- Lesson 5 (Inc. Registration)
15:00 - 16:00	- Enrichment, Intervention, Support, Sport Fitness and Home Learning

Map of The College Campus

