



**Year 7**

# Year 7 Information Booklet

to be updated throughout 2020/21  
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## Useful Contacts

<b>School Website</b>		<a href="http://www.phs.cheshire.sch.uk">www.phs.cheshire.sch.uk</a>
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# Google Classroom

Google Classroom is an online resource which aims to increase accessibility to educational material. It will be particularly useful as students learn remotely. Teachers can share presentations and provide digital copies of worksheets and assignments. The virtual classrooms serve as a point of communication and a learning resource, with classwork and updates sorted into live feeds. Teachers can also host live sessions with the entire class. This set up allows for more engaging activities whilst at home or on the go and is an organised hub for each subject. Google Classroom will also be used to access submit work and receive feedback. Devices such as laptops, tablets, phones and PCs can support Google Classroom when connected to the internet. Mobile apps are also available for Google Classroom, Docs, Calendar and Drive. These are all integrated under the same username and password.

Year 7 have received a lot of training on the use of Google Classroom and it is essential that they are checking their account on multiple occasions during the week, to ensure they are able to plan out their work for the week. If at any time they are unable to login or need their password resetting please email: [remotelearning@phs.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:remotelearning@phs.cheshire.sch.uk)

For further information and guidance you can use this link to our website  
<https://www.phs.cheshire.sch.uk/googleclassroom>

## Year 7 Key Dates 2020/21

<b>Autumn Progress Grades Issued</b>	<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December</b>
<b>Spring Progress Grades Issued</b>	<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March</b>
<b>Year 7 Parents' Evening</b>	<b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March (4-7pm online)</b>
<b>Year 7 Internal Examinations</b>	<b>(tbc) 3 days May/June</b>
<b>End of Year Reports Issued</b>	<b>Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July</b>

## Student Development

Students' PSHCE provision is delivered through Student Development Days and mornings. These include activities and lessons with tailored themes to meet the needs of our students. A wide variety of resources and activities are used to deliver the topics. The dates for the rest of this year are:

Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March (tbc)
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> July (tbc)

## Uniform

**PSU of Poynton Ltd (Uniform Shop)** Contact Number: 01625 876885

Open Monday & Thursday lunchtimes and Tuesday night 7:00 – 8:15pm (term time only)

**Monkhouse Schoolwear** Contact Number: 0161 488 3411

The Shopping Centre, Cheadle Hulme, SK8 5BE. 9:00 – 5:30pm (9:00 – 5:00pm Saturday)

## Twitter

Year 7, the whole school and most departments have their own twitter account. A full list of departmental accounts can be found on the *Social Media* page of the website under *About Us*.

General	@PoyntonHigh	Mr Waugh	@PHS_Headteacher
Year 7	@PHS_Year7	PE	@PHS_PhysEd

## School Holiday Dates 2020 – 21

<b>Holiday Period</b>	<b>Date of Closing</b>	<b>Date of re-opening</b>
<b>Autumn Half Term 2020</b>	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November
<b>INSET Day</b>	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	
<b>Christmas 2020/21</b>	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> January
<b>Spring Half Term 2021</b>	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February
<b>Easter 2021</b>	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>Summer Half Term 2021</b>	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> June
<b>Summer 2021</b>	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	

## Frequently Asked Questions

### **What equipment does my child need for school?**

Our students need to have pens (black or blue), a pencil, ruler, rubber, red pen, maths set (which includes a protractor and pair of compasses) and a scientific calculator. In addition, they will need to bring a reading book each day, their lanyard and fob and a face mask.

### **Where will work be set on Google Classroom?**

All home learning will be set on Google Classroom. Each class that your child is in will have its own Google Classroom page. The home learning will be set as an assignment which will appear in the calendar and To-Do list on Google Classroom. In addition, teachers may post on the stream in the classroom page; this may include points of interest or PowerPoints from the lesson in case any student needs to look back over it.

All home learning will be communicated to students in lessons and then posted onto Google Classroom. Students may wish to record their homework in their yellow diaries as well to further plan out the work they have for the week.

### **How is work submitted on Google Classroom?**

Any work that needs to be submitted to the teacher either on paper or through Google Classroom will appear on students To-Do list as it will be set as an assignment. Extra supporting notes and information may then be further available in each of the classrooms. Work can be submitted either through uploading a document or by taking a picture of the work.

### **How is feedback delivered following work completed at home?**

Work that is submitted through Google Classroom will be fed back on by teachers either through annotating work on Google Classroom or by direct feedback in lessons. When viewing feedback online, students may need to reopen the documents that they have created to see the teacher feedback.

### **How can my Child access the Library?**

Students can access our 'click and collect' service from the library by following the link:

[https://en-gb.padlet.com/book\\_scavenger/mizl63adjf06ghkw](https://en-gb.padlet.com/book_scavenger/mizl63adjf06ghkw)

Students need to use their Poynton High School email account to access their username and password (ending in @phs.cheshire.sch.uk) NOT their True Learning email (via Google Classroom).

### **Where can my child get welfare support in school?**

Miss Gyves is the Welfare Lead for Year 7 and is based in the Year 7 office between rooms 9 and 10. If a student would like welfare support they should come to the office before school, at break or at lunch time. Students can also speak to Mr Latch, their form tutor or any other member of staff in school. If you are concerned about your child, please email Mr Latch or Miss Gyves directly. We also have a dedicated email account that students can contact directly:

[studentsupport@phs.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:studentsupport@phs.cheshire.sch.uk)

### **When will extra-curricular clubs start again?**

The health and safety of our students and staff is the absolute priority in school at the moment. We are working hard to ensure that our students are offered all of the opportunities they would normally be offered, however we are limited in extra-curricular activities at the moment due to government guidelines. The PE Department are hoping to start some 'organised sports' again soon – students will be updated on this via the student bulletin and twitter.

### **How do I best support my child with their learning at home?**

A guide to support your child with their learning can be found on our website in the 'Parents' section via the following link: <https://www.phs.cheshire.sch.uk/parents/helping-your-child-with-learning>

### **Are the classes taught in sets?**

The students are taught in sets for Maths. The setting in maths was decided via a combination of information provided to us by the primary schools and the test that was sat by all students in September. These sets will be under half termly review. All other subjects are either taught in their form group or as part of a smaller group for technology subjects.



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