



**Year 7**

## **Year 7 Information Booklet** **2022/23**

to be updated throughout the year



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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 is an online resource which aims to increase accessibility to educational material. 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 for any student who needs to work from home. 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**

**Autumn Progress Grades Issued**  
**Spring Progress Grades Issued**  
**Year 7 Parents' Evening**  
**Year 7 Internal Examinations**  
**End of Year Reports Issued**

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March**  
**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March (4-7pm online)**  
**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June**  
**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July**

### **Student Development Days**

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:

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July

### **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 School wear** 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  
Year 7 @PHS\_Year7

Mr Dean @PHS\_Headteacher  
PE @PHS\_PhysEd

## **School Holiday Dates 2022 – 23**

<b>Holiday Period</b>	<b>Date of Closing</b>	<b>Date of re-opening</b>
<b>Autumn Half Term 2021</b>	<b>Friday 21st October 2022</b>	<b>Monday 31st October 2022</b>
<b>INSET Day</b>	<b>Friday 25th November 2022</b>	
<b>Christmas 2021/22</b>	<b>Wednesday 21st December 2022</b>	<b>Monday 9th January 2023</b>
<b>Spring Half Term 2022</b>	<b>Friday 17th February 2023</b>	<b>Monday 27th February 2023</b>
<b>Easter 2022</b>	<b>Friday 31st March 2023</b>	<b>Tuesday 18th April 2023</b>
<b>Summer Half Term 2022</b>	<b>Friday 26th May 2023</b>	<b>Monday 5th June 2023</b>
<b>Summer 2022</b>	<b>Friday 21st July 2023</b>	

## **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.

### **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. Some students have got a little notebook to help with reminders but everything is central on GC.

### **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.

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

Mr Hunter is the Welfare Lead for Year 7 and is based in the Year 7 office in the old sixth form building. 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 Mrs Kennedy, their form tutor or any other member of staff in school. If you are concerned about your child, please email Mrs Kennedy or Mr Hunter directly. We also have a dedicated email account that students can contact directly:

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

### **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 tests that was sat by all students in September. These sets will be under half termly review. All other subjects are taught in clusters with a mixture of different pupils in their half of the year. Some classes are even smaller due to regulations in technology.

### **What does my child do if they have lost an item?**

Firstly, label everything – it is more likely to be returned if it is.

Second – retrace steps as sometimes students leave things in classrooms

Lastly – places where you can ask for lost property items: student services / reception / PE department / year office

### **Extra-curricular**

Students can attend any extra-curricular club at any time throughout the year. If they are chosen to represent the school in a team you will be notified through evolve, especially if the fixture is away. We will always bring the students back to school but if you want to watch or collect from the venue that is also fine. Please speak to the PE department.

The timetable can be found online but the use of twitter has more regular updates in case there is a club that is cancelled or has to be rearranged.



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