

FREQUENTLY  
ASKED QUESTIONS



# A WATLING WELCOME!!

Usually at this time of year I would visit your primary schools and you could ask me any questions. Of course, we know I can't do that this year. Instead, I have asked our current years 7's to put together some questions they had before joining us last year, which we have answered to support your move to Watling Academy.

# WHAT WILL I LEARN AT WATLING ACADEMY?

- You will get to learn and experience a lot of new and exciting things in your lessons, such as Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM), Languages, Drama, PE and lots more...

## WHEN WILL I KNOW WHAT LESSONS I HAVE?

- On your first day, your form tutor will give you a copy of your timetable, which will tell you when and where your lessons are each day. They will also be able to support you with any other questions you may have.

# WHAT SHALL I PACK IN MY PENCIL CASE?

- Pencil
- Pencil Sharpener
- Rubber
- Black, Blue, Red and Purple Pen
- Ruler
- Protractor
- Compass
- Scientific Calculator
- Highlighter Pen
- Glue Stick

# HOW WILL I BE ABLE TO FIND MY WAY AROUND SCHOOL?

- You will be provided with a school map which you can use to help get yourselves to and from your lessons, however, if you are a little lost you can always ask any member of staff you see and they will help you find your way.
- Remember, you are coming to a new school and getting lost is completely normal so try not to worry about this too much.

# WHAT IS THE FOOD LIKE AT WATLING ACADEMY?

- Here at Watling Academy we have a brand new canteen which will be fully stocked with lots of fresh, tasty food which will be available before school, at break and lunch time for you to enjoy if you wish.

## WHERE CAN I GO AT BREAK AND LUNCH?

- We have lots of great places which you can enjoy during your break and lunch times, for example, the canteen and the picnic benches where you can enjoy your snacks, as well as the multi use games areas (MUGAS) which will be available for you to use to play on.



## WILL I BE ABLE TO BRING MY PHONE TO SCHOOL?

- Here at Watling Academy we have a no phone policy which means that when you arrive at school your phone must be turned off and put in your bag until you leave at the end of the day.

## WHAT ABOUT MY SMART WATCH?

- Like with phones, we also have a no smart watch policy, therefore if you want to wear a smart watch on your journey to school, it must go in your bag with your phone before entering. However, you are more than welcome to wear any other watch to help you keep track of your day.

## WHAT IF I DON'T HAVE FRIENDS COMING WITH ME?

- Starting a new school can be a bit scary for everyone, but especially if you don't know anyone. However, do not worry, you will not be alone. There will be plenty of other students and you will make friends in no time.
- You will have lots of time to get to know everyone in your new tutor group on your first day.

# WHO DO I SPEAK TO IF I WANT SOME SUPPORT?

- On your first day you will meet your form tutor who will be able to help with any questions or concerns you may have and throughout the year they will be your first port of call for support.
- If you feel like you want more help or support there are plenty of people for you to speak to, such as Miss Hunt, Mr Simmonds or Miss Bell for example.

# WHAT OTHER ACTIVITIES CAN I DO AT WATLING ACADEMY?

- At Watling Academy we have lots of extracurricular activities you can take part in and everyone is welcome. There are various clubs, competitions, house events and more which will be run throughout the year.
- You will be able to try new things and this is always a great opportunity to make new friends.

## DO I HAVE TO GET CHANGED FOR PE?

- We have some great facilities at Watling Academy including a brand new sports hall, which you will all get the opportunity to use during your PE lessons. You will have to get changed before and after PE in the changing rooms, however there will always be the PE staff around in the sports hall to discuss any concerns you may have.