



THE GRANGE SCHOOL

Mr V Murray – Headteacher

September 2026

Dear Year 7 Families

Re: Year 7 Update – End of Week 3

Year 7 have completed their first full 2-week timetable, which means they have now had every lesson on their timetable and met all their new teachers.

Below is some information for parents/carers on various aspects of school life – next week is a busy week for Year 7!

In the meantime, you can get in touch via the following channels:

- 1) Our specific Facebook page for Year 7: The Grange School Year 7 Starters September 2026
- 2) Transition Email – transition@grange.bucks.sch.uk
- 3) Reception – 01296 390900
- 4) Directly with the Form Tutor or Year Team Leader (contact details at the bottom of this letter)

Bromcom for Students

All students across Year 7 are now able to access and log onto their Bromcom profiles. As of Monday 21st September, Year 7 students will receive their first pieces of homework from English and Maths only. The guided time for homework completion in Key Stage 3 is 40 minutes per piece.

Students should engage with Bromcom daily to check their timetables, homework or any announcements that may be important for them. This is the first time we are using Bromcom homework, so we are learning just as the students are too!

Attendance

Thank you so much for your support with getting your children into school. Year 7 attendance is currently 97.9% which is the highest in the school and meets our target. 7S are still holding onto their 100% attendance record and taking the top spot! High attendance supports children not only academically but socially, personally, and mentally too, especially during this transition process where the students are still getting used to their new surroundings and forming relationships with staff and peers.

Behaviour

A small minority of students have started to accrue some behaviour points for their punctuality to school and lack of equipment. We will support students as best we can in school to be prepared and punctual to their lessons, but we do ask for your support from home too in ensuring they arrive at school by 8:25am and have all the equipment they need. Students will receive detentions for persistent lateness and not bringing items such as their PE kits.

Detentions

Our detentions are held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays and are 30 minutes starting at 3:15pm until 3:45pm. These may be in the main hall or in various departments around the school depending on the member of staff who set them and the reason. If a child has a detention, both you and your child will be notified via Bromcom as to the date and location. 24 hours' notice is given for all detentions. It is important your child attends a detention if they receive one.

We are unable to rearrange detentions without a valid reason from a parent/carer in advanced notice. If your child does not attend a detention, further sanctions will apply. If your child is absent on a day in which a detention is organised, it will automatically get rearranged. If you wish to speak to us regarding our behaviour policy, including detentions, please contact your child's Year Team Leader in the first instance.

Uniform

Our Year 7 students are continuing to look their best in their uniforms and we appreciate your support. We are having to challenge a minority of our students, however, regarding the length of their skirts. Students are and will be asked to roll skirts down if seen to be an inappropriate length.

If for any reason your child is unable to be in correct uniform, please send your child to school with a note from a parent/carer so we can provide a 'uniform slip' for the day.

PE Kits & DEAR TIME Books

Some Year 7 students are starting to pick up behaviour points for forgetting these two items. The whole school read for 15 minutes every day between 11:15 and 11:30am. We call it DEAR (Drop, Everything And Read) Time. Students are required to bring a book of their choice to school every day. If you have any queries in regards to your child's PE kit, please email your child's PE teacher in the first instance.

Dates for your Diary:

Year 7 CATS and Reading Assessments – Monday 21st September and Tuesday 22nd September 2026 (please see a separate letter with information regarding these from Miss Brown in the Year 7 section of the weekly parent bulletin)

Year 7 Teambuilding Day (onsite) = Friday 25th September 2026 (see separate letter for all information regarding this event).

Contact details for the Year 7 team are below:

7D Form Tutor – Miss Palmer – spalmer@grange.bucks.sch.uk

7I Form Tutor – Mrs James-Morgan – sjamesmorgan@grange.bucks.sch.uk

7S Form Tutor – Mrs Charles – gcharles@grange.bucks.sch.uk

7C Form Tutor – Mrs Shelton – ishelton@grange.bucks.sch.uk

7O Form Tutor – Mr Baker – rbaker@grange.bucks.sch.uk

7V Form Tutor – Mr Dharsey - cdharsey@grange.bucks.sch.uk

7E Form Tutor – Mrs Kirk – akirk@grange.bucks.sch.uk

7R Form Tutor – Mr Walpola – Iwalpola@grange.bucks.sch.uk

Head of Year 7 DISC – Mr Walsh – swalsh@grange.bucks.sch.uk

Head of Year 7 OVER – Miss Pollard – kpollardohara@grange.bucks.sch.uk

Year 7 Pastoral Support Assistant – Miss De-Vita Sheppard – odevitasheppard@grange.bucks.sch.uk

Having frequently visited Year 7 in their lessons and during weekly assemblies, I am continuing to be impressed by how well the students are settling and conducting themselves in and around school. They are a great addition to our vibrant school community.

Have a lovely weekend!

Yours faithfully



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Assistant Headteacher – School & Community

