

7th July 2025

Dear Families,

I hope this finds our families well and ready to enjoy the last two weeks of the school year. The final newsletter of the year will be issued on Friday 11th July with much to celebrate and enjoy. To ensure we are all prepared for a great start in September I want to share some key information with you.

On 1st September, Lady Lumley's School will formally join Delta Academy Trust along with the 5 other Coast and Vale Schools. Since Easter of 2024, Coast and Vale have been working with Delta. Our students are already benefitting from being part of large, successful trust with access to knowledge organisers, common assessments and revision materials and most recently Delta Games, Delta Chess and Science Mavericks. You can read about Lady Lumley's performance in the Newsletter (no spoilers here!).

Attendance

During the rest of the term, full attendance remains extremely important. Lessons will continue as normal until the end of term, with students receiving key information about different events happening before the summer break and in preparation for the new academic year. Please contact your child's pastoral manager if you would like to discuss attendance or require support.

<u>Site</u>

Over the summer holidays signage will be put up with 'Lady Lumley's Academy', part of the Coast and Vale Region. There will be new internal signage with 'Lady Lumley's Academy, Delta'. We have already received considerable investment into our IT provision, and this will continue over the summer break. There will be a period of migration for the first half of the summer holiday where Lady Lumley's will be 'offline'.

Uniform

As we join Delta in September we will follow the Delta uniform policy. Wearing a uniform is vital for safeguarding, to build a sense of belonging and to ensure the learning environment focuses on education. Most importantly it is to ensure no student is advantaged or disadvantaged by their families start point. The smallest of alterations undoes the 'uniformity' and undermines the purpose of a uniform. Therefore, there will be some changes (in **bold**) that students will be made aware of in assembly, and I wanted to share with families.

As students are welcomed onto Lady Lumley's site via the green line, uniform will be checked:

Skirts and Trousers: Skirts are to be worn correctly. This means they are not adjusted by being rolled up. Skirts should be Black – stitch down pleated or box pleated. The hem of the skirt should be just above the knee. We do not allow tight fitting skirts. Trousers are to be black and straight legged; students must not wear ultra-skinny or 'spray-on' trousers. A plain black belt may be worn.

Ties: Ties are to cover the top button and hang to full length and now available as a clip-on style. Available from Rumours only.

- Years 7 9: dark green with a broad gold diagonal stripe
- Years 10 11: dark green with a widely-spaced single thin gold stripe

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School Jumper: The school "V" neck jumper is green with the school's logo embroidered on it. Available from Rumours only.

Hairstyles: Hairstyles and colour should be sensible. Students should not colour their hair unnatural colours. Please check with your child's learning manager before considering any dramatic changes to style and colour. No patterns should be shaved into hairstyles. Hair accessories should be discreet and in black or blue, no scarves or bandanas (unless for religious regions).

Jewellery: No jewellery is allowed except for a wristwatch. Smart Watches are not permitted. If any student is thinking about having piercings, it needs to be done next week to allow enough time to heal, as no student will be allowed to wear any type of piercing whilst in the Academy. Any jewellery found will be confiscated, stored securely and returned at the end of the day. Should there be repetition, parents/carers will be asked to collect confiscated items at the end of the Academy day.

Nails: No artificial nails of any kind are allowed, be they gel, acrylic or any other type. Nail varnish will also need to be removed before the school day.

Makeup: Any makeup worn by students should be very discreet. Students will be asked to remove makeup if not discreet. Eyebrows should be natural with no patterns/shavings and students are not permitted to wear false eyelashes.

Footwear: Shoes must be plain black, flat, and polishable with no embellishments, logos or bows. They should not look like trainers or have a sporting logo. Students should not wear boots, trainers, pumps, or canvas shoes. Shiny plastic/rubber style embellished pumps and Vivienne Westwoods are not allowed.

If you require any support with school uniform, please contact our Pastoral Team. We have a limited supply of jumpers, trousers and skirts.

Equipment

All students must bring **equipment for learning** with them every day. They are responsible for bringing a pencil case (containing at least a black pen, pencil, ruler and rubber) and their planner to school. All students must have a bag. It is recommended that students also have spare items within a pencil case in case they should lose any items during the day. Repeated lack of equipment for learning will receive a C4 other detention.

Punctuality

Students must be inside the school grounds no later than 8.50am every day and sat in their lessons ready to learn prior to 8.55 am or they will be given a C4 detention. Punctuality is necessary in every job and in learning.

<u>Buses</u>

We continue to remind students about their behaviour on their way to and from the Academy. Misbehaviour on the school buses will result in the Care, Support, Guidance and Behaviour Policy sanctions being applied.

Planners

In September students will be issued with a planner. Students will need to show their planner each morning as they cross the green line. If they forget their planner, they will get a planner sheet and receive a consequence for not having their planner. The school planner will contain their timetable, diary, subject pages, a space to record proud stamps and quiz up points plus much more. Students must not deface or graffiti their planners – we want to be proud of them. If students lose their planner they will be expected to purchase a new one. Students will be expected to have their planner on their desk at the start of every lesson.

Mobile Phones

Once students cross the green line, mobile phones should not be seen or used. If students are found to be using or have their phone out in the Academy, this will be confiscated and taken to the school office. If there is repetition of this, parents/carers will be required to collect the mobile phone after school. Students will be given a C4 sanction.

By having the highest standards for our students, we are giving the best possible context to be successful. The policy of the Academy will be always followed to ensure consistency and transparency for all. By sharing these slight alterations in good time, we are seeking to ensure a smooth start to the new academic year allowing us all to focus on the education of our students to give them the life chances they deserve.

Key Dates

End of Term – Friday 18th July, 12.30 (Lady Lumley's IT migration – off-line) Thursday 14th August – A Level Results (details shared with students) Thursday 21st August – GCSE Results (details shared with students)

Monday 1st September – Training Day, Staff only Tuesday 2nd September – Year 7 (details shared with families), Year 11 and Year 12 Wednesday 3rd September – All students to attend

The final Newsletter of the year will include safeguarding information and contact details for the summer break.

We have two weeks left to maximise learning time; there is a lot to pack in! Year 12 Work Experience, Year 10 Development Days, Sixth Form Welcome Day, Year 6 Transition Days, Duke of Edinburgh and LOTS of brilliant awards and celebrations. Please do look out for the Newsletter on Friday 11th July.

Yours sincerely

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