

## Year 7 Half Term Bulletin Autumn 2021

A warm welcome to Crickhowell High School. We hope that you have all had a restful yet adventurous summer holiday and that everybody is looking forward to the beginning of their secondary education. Last academic year was something we have never experienced before, I hope that this year will be much more settled for everyone and I have full confidence that Year 7 will take it in their stride.

The Year 7 bulletin will be sent to you via SCHOOP at the beginning of every half term and it will contain important information for Year 7 students, as well as important dates for you diaries.

Year 7 begin on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September which is a week 1 on their timetable. Their first full week (commencing 6<sup>th</sup> September) will be their week 2 timetable.

### Themes of the Week

Each week the school has a whole school theme that will be used to form points of discussion during form time and will also be covered during the weeks assemblies.

### Form Time Structure

This academic year we are looking at structuring Form Time activities to aid students in getting in the right mindset for the learning. These activities will cover a range of wellbeing, physical and educational topics.

### Dates for your Diary

Below are some key dates for the first term.

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – School starts

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – Yr7 Individual photographs

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October -Yr 7 Guidance evening

Monday October 25<sup>th</sup>- 29<sup>th</sup> – Half term

Thursday December 9<sup>th</sup> – Christmas concert

More information on future dates will be issued in future bulletins.

### Year 7 Tutor Groups

7 Catwg (red) – Mrs N Armitti- Oliver

7 Dewi (blue) – Mr R Jones

7 Hwyl (green) – Mr R Jacob

7 Melangell (purple) – Miss G Stephenson

7 Pedr (yellow) – Miss E Jones

### Uniform

We are returning to school in the summer uniform, which means that the pull- overs are, for the time being, not compulsory.

May I take this opportunity to remind everybody that our school uniform plays a vital part in the success of our students. The details of the uniform policy can be found on the schools website but in summary, skirts must be pleated and of acceptable length and trousers must be straight leg (no 'skinny' jeans or leggings). Students must wear 'proper' leather school

shoes and black daps/trainers/pumps are not permitted. Ties must also remain a normal length and are not to be shortened.

### Lockers

Lockers will be available to pupils who wish to have one. They can be very useful to store items like PE kit. If you wish to have a locker pupils must bring in a £5 refundable deposit. The process of getting a locker will be explained to pupils in registration time over the coming weeks.

### Attendance

Attendance has a huge impact on achievement and we appreciate all that you do at home to ensure your child attends school every day. We also strive to praise outstanding attendance of students within school. Attendance and learning have a clear link and it is imperative that our standards are maintained.

We ask that if your son/daughter is absent from school for any reason that you either phone into the school absence line or email myself and the attendance officer, Katherine Myatt. This allows us to ensure that the right attendance code is recorded on the students register.

I hope you have found this half term's bulletin useful. If you require direct contact with me for any reason, the best way to do this is via email. My email address is josephm@crickhowell-hs.powys.sch.uk. For anything urgent, please contact the main school reception and we will endeavour to get back to you as soon as possible.

Kind Regards,  
Mr J Mulholland  
Yr 7 Progress Leader