

ASTON FIELDS MIDDLE **SCHOOL** ***STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE-*** ***LEARNING FOR LIFE***

YEAR 7
Autumn
2026

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES:

- **Friday 23rd October 2026** – Pupils break up at 3.30pm for half term
- **Monday 2nd November 2026** – Staff Professional Development Day (School closed to pupils)
- **Tuesday 3rd November 2026** – Pupils return to school at 08.45am
- **Friday 18th December 2026** – Pupils break up for the Christmas holidays
- **Monday 4th January 2027** – Staff Professional Development Day (School closed to pupils)
- **Tuesday 5th January 2027** – Pupils return to school

Please Remember:

Mobile phones must be named and handed in every morning. In line with DfE guidelines, smart watches are not permitted at school

Please remind your child not to have anything of monetary or sentimental value with them in school.

Please ensure all uniform is clearly named.

Welcome to Year 7!

I hope you have all had an enjoyable and restful summer break. It has been a real pleasure to welcome pupils back to school and to continue working with them as their Director of Year as they begin the next stage of their journey at Aston Fields Middle School.

I am delighted with the start Year 7 have made. Having worked with the year group throughout Year 6, it has been particularly pleasing to see how positively they have approached the step up to Key Stage 3. With new timetables, routines and increased expectations, there has been plenty to get used to, but pupils have adapted extremely well. Staff have been impressed by their smart appearance, positive conduct and attitude to learning.

The Year 7 Form Teachers this year are: Mrs Claydon (7AC), Miss Bratton (7RB), Ms McNamara and Mrs Davidson (7MD), Mrs Simeons and Mrs Duerden (7DS) and Mrs Taylor and Mr Delaney (7TD). Although the form team has changed this year, we have a fantastic, experienced group of teachers supporting pupils and helping them to make the most of Year 7. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child, please contact their form teacher in the first instance. We work closely as a Year 7 team and will always do our best to provide support and resolve any issues that arise. Your continued support and communication are greatly appreciated.

As pupils settle further into Year 7, it is important that they continue to build good habits and take increasing responsibility for themselves and their learning. I therefore ask that Year 7 pupils:

- behave respectfully and responsibly, setting a positive example around school.
- wear the correct school uniform and take pride in their appearance.
- arrive at school and lessons on time, including being on the Key Stage 3 yard by **8:45am** each morning at the latest.
- complete and hand in homework on time and to the best of their ability.
- bring the correct equipment to school each day, including their planner.
- hand in their mobile phone to their form teacher each morning.
- show kindness, politeness and respect towards both pupils and adults.

I am looking forward to seeing your children build on their successes from Year 6 as well as growing in confidence and independence and embrace the opportunities and challenges of Year 7.

I am confident that we have a positive and successful year ahead, and I look forward to celebrating the pupils' achievements along the way.

Mr Delaney and the Year 7 team.