

11 September 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 7, 11 and 12 Welcome Event and Meet the Tutor - Monday 21 September 3.30pm - 5.30pm

Firstly, we would like to take this opportunity to say what an excellent start students have made this week. Students have settled in well: arriving at school punctually and in excellent uniform, well prepared for lessons and ready to learn. This is an excellent foundation on which to build and we thank you for your continued support in their positive, focused approach to school and sixth form college.

To build on this positive start we would like to extend a warm invitation to our Welcome Event on Monday 21 September. The focus of this event is to start the year by equipping you with the information, resources and channels of communication you need to work with us in supporting your child to achieve their best this year. **We will seek to outline what ‘working well’ at The Weald looks like and how we can work together to ensure your child thrives.** There will be a particular focus on the cycles of revision and review, assessment and reporting, alongside other aspects of the curriculum (including enrichment) and student wellbeing.

There are three parts to this event: A welcome presentation by the Head of each Year, bookable appointments to meet their form tutor in person and a range of information stands with colleagues available to answer questions on life at The Weald.

Head of Year presentations twice at 4.00pm and 5.00pm

Year 7:	4.00pm and 5.00pm	Sports Hall	Mr A Brown
Year 11:	4.00pm and 5.00pm	School Hall	Mr T Brixey
Year 12:	4.00pm and 5.00pm	Sixth Form Centre	Mr G Cook

These are repeated presentations by the relevant Head of Year. Please choose a presentation time which suits you. If you plan to attend the later talk, we recommend you visit the stands in the E-Canteen before the talk, as the event finishes at the end of the final talk.

We are aware that some families may have students in multiple year groups on the same evening. If you are not able to attend more than one talk, please be reassured that much of the content is similar and we will share all resources on the website afterwards, so dates and details specific to a year group can be found there.

'Meet the Tutor' - 3.30pm - 5.30pm

These are bookable appointments with form tutors. Year 11 and Year 12 appointments are 5 minutes long and Year 7 are 10 minutes. This is an informal meeting offering you an opportunity to meet your child's Form Tutor (as they are new to them this year). You may also wish to follow up any initial queries you may have or pass on information you feel is important about your child.

Please book an appointment through the School Cloud platform. To access the School Cloud platform the web address is <https://wealdschool.schoolcloud.co.uk/>. To login you should enter your own and your child's details which we have on our system. This login process will match the records to provide you access to your personal portal. Your email address will be sent a confirmation of your appointment and a notification reminder, prior to the event. If you have trouble logging in, try full names with no abbreviations. If there are still issues, please contact our network support team using the email networksupport@theweald.org.uk with information about the issue and your contact details.

You will be able to book appointments to the meet the tutor event from **Tuesday 15 September at 9.00am**. A video demonstration for how to login and book appointments is [available here](#). **Booking will close on Friday 18 September at 11am.**

Year 7 and 11 Tutors will be grouped together in their Houses in classrooms in E block and Year 12 in G Block. Locations will be clearly signposted on arrival.

Information Stands

Throughout the afternoon there will be information stands available in E block canteen for Y7 and Y11 and in the Sixth Form centre for Y12. Please drop in and take a look whenever it suits you. These stands will cover aspects such as our IT systems, homework, extra curricular clubs, Inclusion, assessment and tracking. Key staff, including senior teachers and Heads of House/Sixth Form staff will be available to answer questions and offer information. It is not possible to meet your child's teachers individually, but you will be able to do this later in the year at your child's parents and carers evening.

Parking

Please be aware that parking on the school site is limited, so if you are local and it is possible to walk, both the front and Sixth Form entrances will be open. There will also be extended parking on the school fields (weather permitting) with the entrance via the bus lanes. **Please note this will only be available from 3.30pm to allow the buses to leave.** A number of disabled parking spaces are available at the front of the school. If you have any special access requirements, please advise your child's form tutor. There are a very limited number of spaces available in the main car park. Please ensure you only park in the white parking bays (which are the school bays). The blue ones are for use by the Leisure Centre only. There will be Sixth Form students who will direct you to the field parking entrance. The "What3Words" reference is: arise.meanings.encroach.

Safeguarding

Our priority is to ensure your child feels safe and happy. It is important they know who they can talk to should they not feel that way. We have a Pastoral Team who will always put the voice of

the child first and this includes their Form Tutor and Head of House/Sixth Form team. In addition, your child can talk to our designated safeguarding team who are Mr Catt, Miss McInerney and Ms Sorrell. Students are made aware of the support available to them but we always appreciate your help in reminding them about who they can turn to should they need help.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

Yours faithfully



Mr A Brown
Head of Year 7



Mr T Brixey
Head of Year 11



Mr G Cook
Head of Sixth Form