



Frequently Asked Questions to Support the New Academic Year

How do we contact the College?

The College will be closed during the summer holiday period from **Tuesday, 20 July – Friday, 27 August 2021** and emails will be checked periodically.

For specific support please use the following email addresses and the right professionals will be able to respond when we return to College.

General Queries that have not be answered through current correspondence and website updates	icc@ivybridge.devon.sch.uk
Year 6 – 7 Transition queries	Transition6@ivybridge.devon.sch.uk
COVID-19 positive cases correspondence	covidnotification@ivybridge.devon.sch.uk
College Bus Information	buses@ivybridge.devon.sch.uk
Examinations Office	exams@ivybridge.devon.sch.uk
SEND support	SEND@ivybridge.devon.sch.uk
Safeguarding support	safeguarding@ivybridge.devon.sch.uk
Sixth Form admissions advice and guidance	KS5office@ivybridge.devon.sch.uk
<p>Keeping children safe Report a child safety concern If you are worried about the safety of a child in Devon and want to speak to someone, or if you are a child worried about your own safety, please contact the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) email giving as much information as you can. If a child is at immediate risk contact the police on 999. If you are a professional, you should make a MASH contact (previously a MASH enquiry).</p>	<p>MASH Hub 0345 155 1071 mashsecure@devon.gov.uk</p> <p>Please use the link here to see the guidance on making a MASH contact.</p>

Will the College buses be running as normal?

All College transport will be running as normal from **Tuesday, 7 September onwards**.

Do current students, who live outside the catchment area still need to reapply via the College website if they require the College's bus service for September 2021/22?

Only those students who live outside of the College catchment need to apply on a yearly basis for the College Bus Service. Please note: This does not apply to Devon School Transport arrangements.

If you have not done so already we strongly recommend that you submit your application as soon as possible as the closing date for applications is Saturday, 31 July 2021. Unfortunately, we cannot guarantee a seat for late applications due to the high demand for the service.

Eating arrangements for September

All our dining facilities will be open from Tuesday, 7 September. Please upload money onto ParentPay accounts in order that you can purchase food using our cashless system. If you are new to the College please send your child to College with cash for the first few days whilst your accounts are being registered. Staff will be on hand to support new students with this process. Alternatively, many students still enjoy bringing in their own packed lunches.

Standards and Expectations

At Ivybridge Community College we have high expectations and are positively recognised for this. We take pride in the professional appearance and dress of our students, and it is a requirement that all our students wear the full College uniform correctly at all times. Parent/carers and student cooperation is essential if we are to maintain this high standard. We would very much

appreciate your support in ensuring that your child is sent to College correctly dressed in September.

In particular, we would like to signpost you to key adjustments for September 2021 when your child returns for the new academic year;

Will we be required to wear College uniform in September?

All students in **Years 7 to 11** will be returning in **full College uniform** and we would therefore recommend that parents/carers prepare accordingly with the purchasing of appropriate footwear and uniform items. Further guidance and clarification regarding 'Standards and Expectations' will be published on the College website with regards to uniform and **compulsory equipment for learning** for the academic year 2021/22.

Following parental feedback we have also produced a **Code of Dress brochure** which provides further clarification on our expectations in respect of uniform, hair styles, shoes and jewellery. This can also be found on the College's website (see link below).

Lanyards and identification cards will now be a compulsory part of each student's uniform in **all Year Groups**. This helps with identification and safeguarding our students whilst on site. All students will be allocated with a new lanyard and identification badge for the new academic year. If students lose their ID badge or it becomes broken, vandalised or defaced it will need to be replaced at the cost of the parent/carer.

Hairstyles must be well groomed, neat and of a natural colour. Permitted – smart haircuts include short back and sides with a fade (minimum grade 4 on the top), no skin fade to shaved.

Compulsory Equipment for Learning

All students at the College are expected to bring their own equipment for learning and this is even more important given recommendations that equipment should not be shared between students.

Please support your child in preparing them accordingly with the compulsory **SUPER 7**.

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1. **Blue/black pen**
2. **Purple pen**
3. **Pencil**
4. **Rubber**
5. **Ruler**
6. **Scientific Calculator**
7. **KITE Booklet and a reading book** (KITE Booklet will be provided by the College as part of the Induction Programme)

Additionally, students are requested to bring their own water bottle.

Will we be required to change for PE lessons in September?

From September all students will be returning in full College uniform. We would therefore expect all students to bring the required Physical Education kit to College for their lessons (as per pre-COVID routines). It is envisaged that students will be returning to their normal full PE curriculum activities which is likely to involve getting wet, sweaty and sometimes muddy – therefore the opportunity to change out of this practical clothing is essential.

Practical PE lessons on the all-weather pitches:

Rounded moulded studs are required to access the all-weather pitch (no blades, no metal studs or trainers are permitted)

Non-permitted items that are not to be brought onto the College site for health and safety reasons include aerosols, laser pens and any form of sharp objects that are not permitted as a stationery item for learning i.e. pencil sharpener and Mathematical compass.

Please visit the following link (below) for full details about the Ivybridge Community College uniform and Standards and Expectations.

[College Uniform Standards and Expectations](#)