



WEEKLY PARENTS BULLETIN NO 2 – WEEK A

Week Commencing 13th September 2021

Monday 13 th September	Open Morning Tours (a.m.)
Tuesday 14 th September	Open Morning Tours (a.m.)
Wednesday 15 th September	Open Morning Tours (a.m.)
Thursday 16 th September	Open Morning Tours (a.m.) 6.00 p.m. – 8.00 p.m. Open Evening
Friday 17 th September	INSET DAY – no students in school

As we reach the end of our first full week of school, we have now completed all of the necessary CV-19 testing and we are firmly back into a more normal routine.

Lessons are now fully under way and our students have been incredibly engaged and focused since returning to the classroom. We have had a strong focus on standards since our students have returned and every one of them has contributed to a very clam and purposeful atmosphere.

On Wednesday of this week, we launched our new house system. The purpose of the house system is to allow us to run extra-curricular clubs, events and competitions in a coherent way which we hope will encourage students to try something new and to compete. All students and staff are now part of one of four houses (Wye, Severn, Cannop and Cadora) and on Wednesday each student joined a house assembly where they received a house badge and voted for a member of staff to lead their house. Congratulations to Mr Stradling (Severn), Mr Warren (Cannop), Mrs Jones (Wye) and Mr Fessey (Cadora) Who have been elected to lead each house.





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All students were given Lateral Flow tests to take home with them today. From next week each student needs to take a lateral flow test from home twice weekly. Lateral Flow testing is designed to identify asymptomatic positive cases and our primary defence against the virus. Each child should take a test at home on Tuesday and Friday. For any positive result a confirmatory PCR test should be booked. Whilst there is not expectation that you need to report the results of the LFD test to us anymore, we would ask that you let us know of any positive cases so that we can arrange remote learning.

Next week we open our doors for Open Morning tours and for our Open Evening (Thursday 16th). Many of our students will be involved in helping with Open Evening and students will be bringing home a consent slip today if involved. If you know of prospective parents who want to join us for a tour during one of our Open Mornings, please direct them to thedeanacademy.org to book.

Finally, we were made aware of some very sad news this week. A child named Jake Corner who briefly attended The Dean Academy in Year 7, before moving to other schools, passed away on Wednesday. Jake would now have been in Year 10. We know that many of our students and staff remember Jake well and we have been working closely with those affected by this sad, unexpected news. Our thoughts go out to Jake's family members and close friends at this tragic time.

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Headteacher



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Heads of House 2021-22



2021/2022 SCHOOL BUS TIMETABLE

The updated version of the School Bus Timetable is now on our website -

<https://thedeanacademy.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/School-Bus-Timetable-2021-2022.pdf>

If you have any queries regarding the buses/routes etc please email Theresa Whatley, Head's PA - theresa.whatley@thedeanacademy.org



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Summer Photography Club entries

Here is a snapshot of some of the fabulous entries we have received from our photography summer challenge. We have enjoyed looking through the submitted photos and both Phoebe B and Amy B in Year 9 and Mrs Creed will all receive a prize shortly and their photos displayed in the school. Well done everyone.



Phoebe B in Year 9





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Amy B in Year 9



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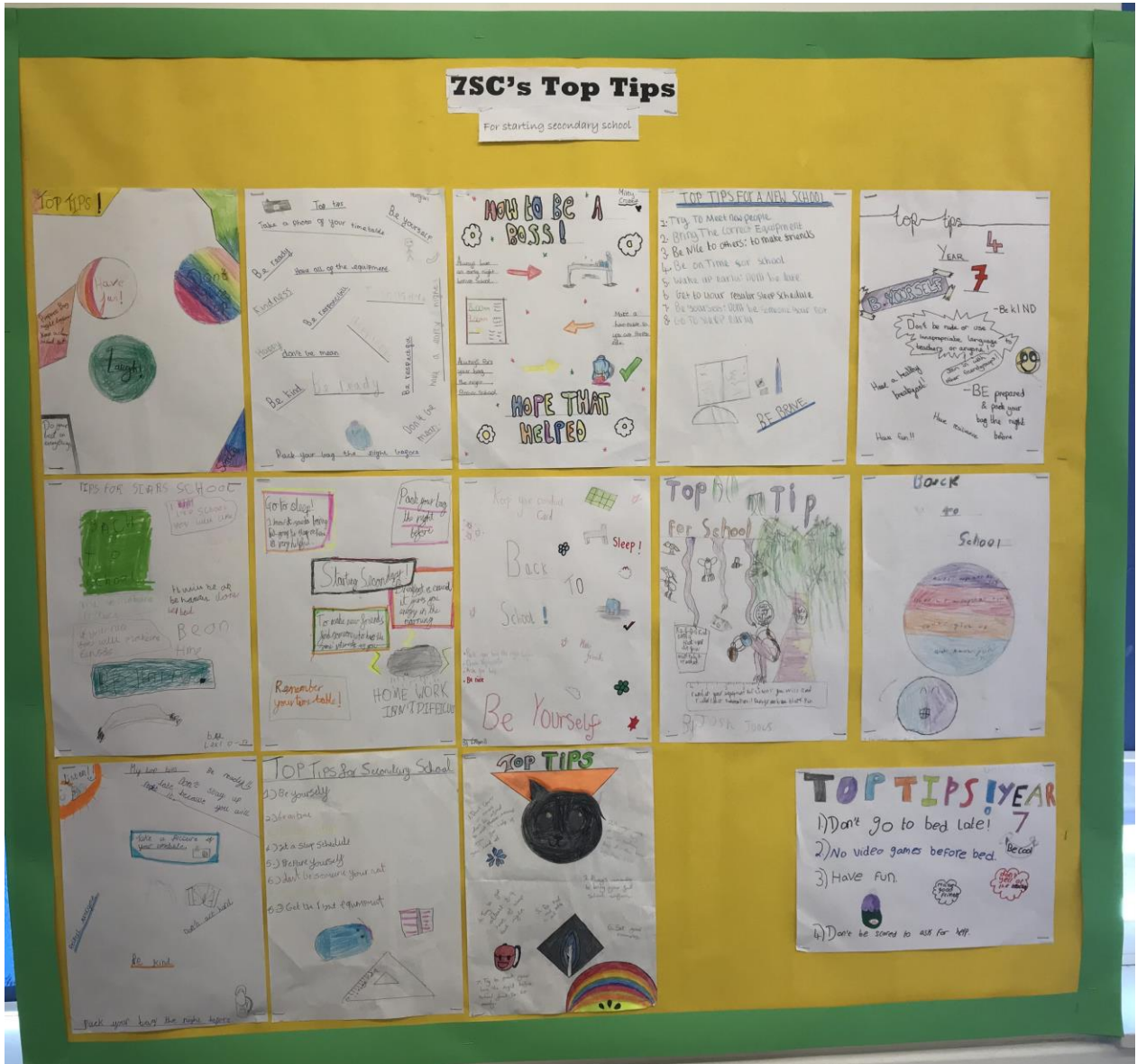


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BRIGHT SPOTS

Top Tips from 7SDC for starting secondary school. Some really great posters and great advice!
Miss Clark





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TECHNOLOGY

First week back and Hospitality and Catering students were asked to plan, cook and present a curry dish suitable for restaurant dining. Well done to Jago B, JJ and Lucas B – Mrs Gittins-Jones.



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