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# Welcome to Prince William School

*Learning for Life*



# What is important at Prince William?

We are very proud of our brilliant school. Prince William has a happy, caring and supportive environment which encourages learning and helps all of our students to thrive and reach their full potential.

It is important that everyone plays their part in keeping it that way, so we have three core values:

## RESPECTFUL

Be respectful of yourself, of each other, of staff, of the community and of the environment.

## AMBITIOUS

Be ambitious when you set your goals. Take pride in your achievements and admire the achievements of others.

## RESILIENT

Be resilient and keep trying. Mistakes and difficult times are often the things which help us to learn the most.

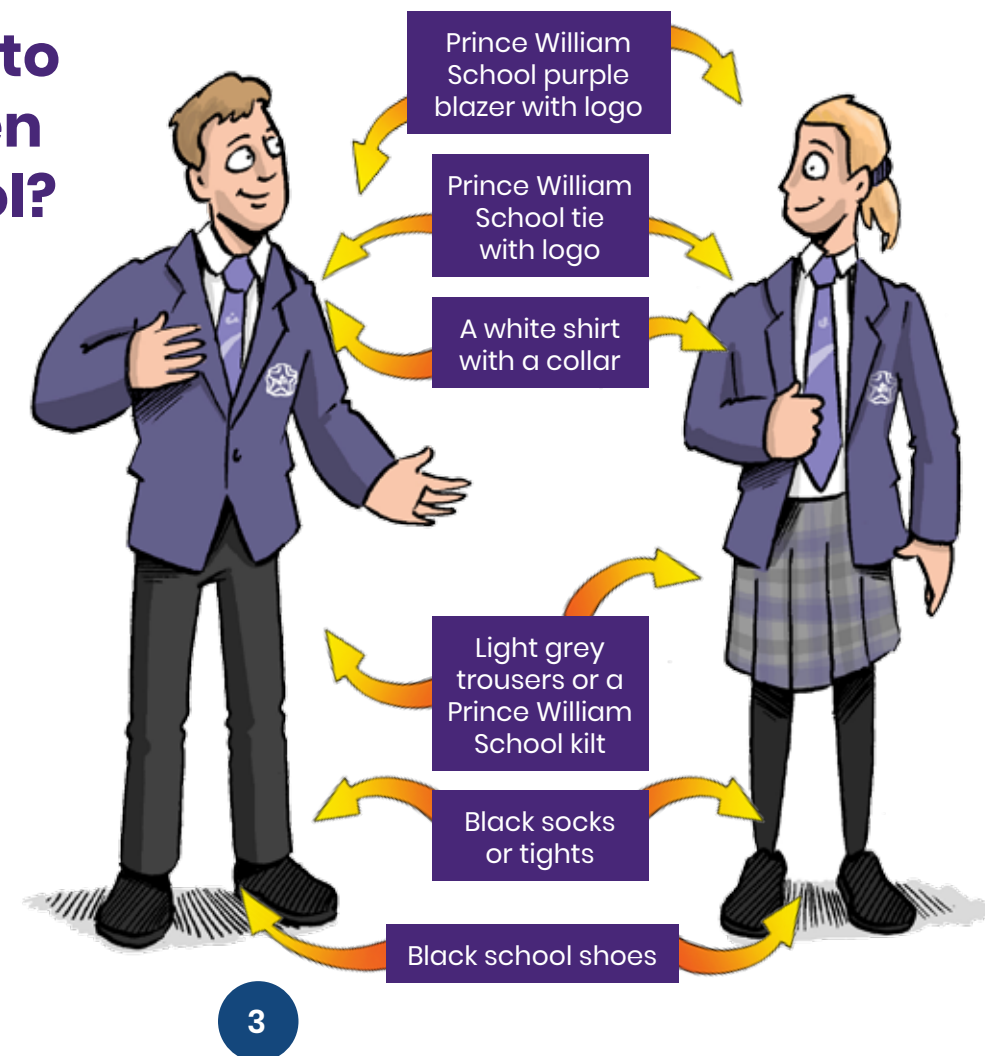
Our rewards system is based on our core values, they underpin everything we do!

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# What do I need to remember when I come to school?

We expect our students to show how proud they are to be part of Prince William School by wearing the full correct uniform.



# Equipment needed

You will need to bring the following items with you in a strong school bag:



You will also find it useful to bring crayons, a dry wipe pen, scissors, glue and a calculator.

On your first day we will give you your ID badge, you will need to remember to bring this with you every day so keep it somewhere safe.

It's a good idea to pack your school bag the night before so you don't forget anything.

# Who can I talk to if I need help?

We know that you may be excited about coming to Prince William, but it is also completely normal to feel nervous about starting secondary school. Everyone here knows what the first day of secondary school feels like and we will do everything we can to help you settle in and make new friends quickly. If you have any questions, you can talk to any member of staff. If they don't know the answer, they will know someone who will!

Some of the key members of staff, who you will soon get to know are:

## YOUR TUTOR

You stay in the same tutor group from Year 7 to 11. You will register with them every morning and they will make sure you have everything you need for the day. You will get to know your Tutor really well so you may feel the most comfortable speaking to them if you need to talk.

## THE STUDENT WELFARE OFFICERS

They are based in the Pastoral Office and are available throughout the day to sort out any problems you might have.

## YOUR HEAD OF YEAR

You will see them in assembly every week and they have overall responsibility for your year group.

## THE STUDENTS' RECEPTIONIST

They will help you if you have lost something or if you feel unwell.



# What happens during the school day?

Every day there is a 20-minute tutor lesson and three 100-minute lessons.

There is also a break and lunchtime.

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| 8.45am  | Breakfast club/Arrive |
| 8.55am  | Tutor/Assembly        |
| 9.15am  | Lesson 1              |
| 10.55am | Break                 |
| 11.15am | Lesson 2              |
| 12.55pm | Lunch                 |
| 1.35pm  | Lesson 3              |
| 3.15pm  | End of School         |



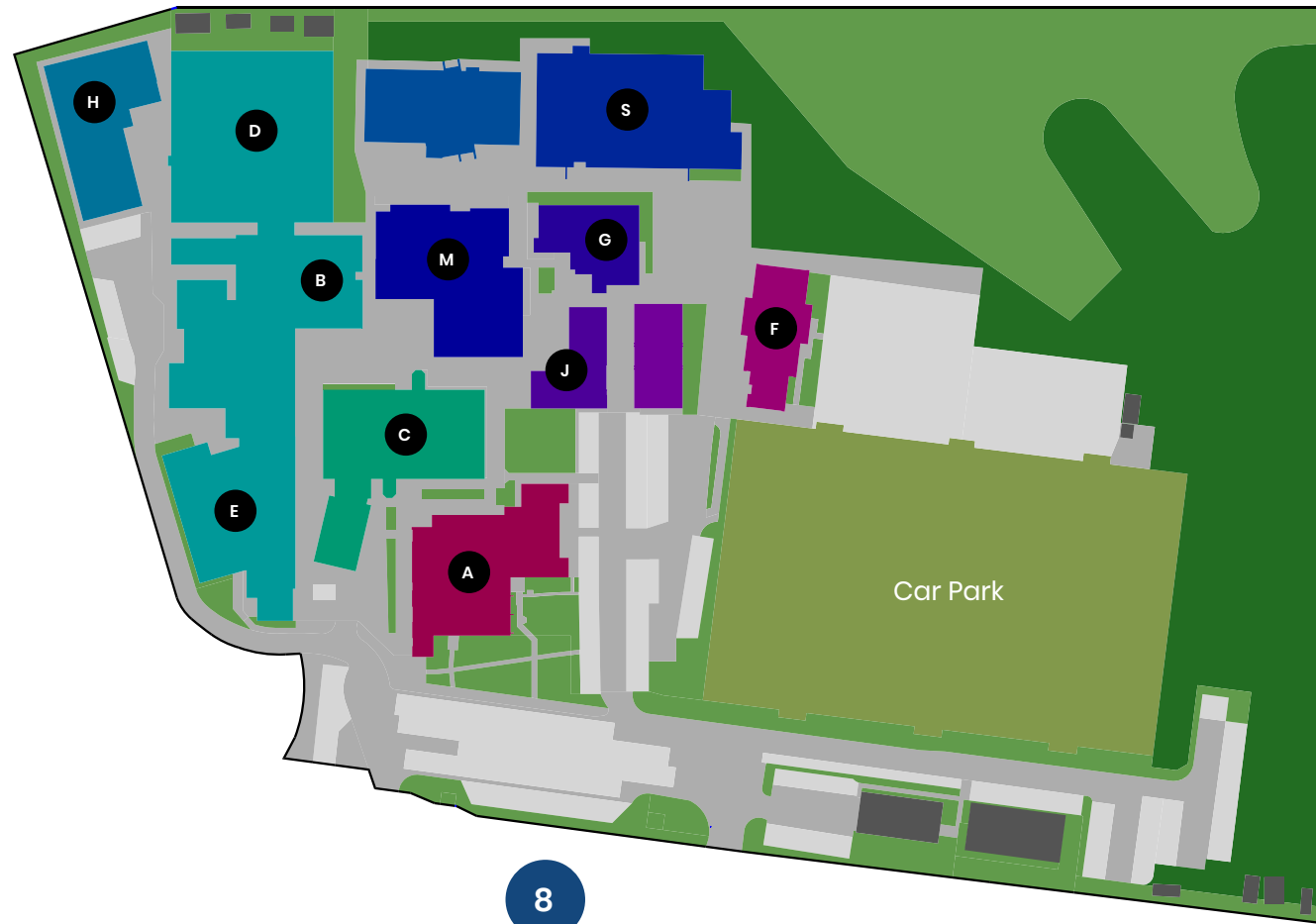
You will move to different classrooms for lessons, so that you can use the specialist facilities for each subject. You will soon get used to finding your way around. Everyone will be happy to help so just ask an older student or a teacher if you get lost.

You will study some subjects you are already familiar with in more depth, but you will also study some exciting new subjects. You will study: English, Maths, Science, French or Spanish, History, Geography, RPE, Computing, Art, Design, Food, PE, Drama, Music, and Skills of Life.

Your tutor will give you your timetable on your first day. Keep it safe and copy it into your student diary so you always know what lesson you have got next.



# School Map



## Key to main areas in school:

- A** Sports Hall
- B** Gloucester Hall, Dance and Canteen
- C** Central Library, Pastoral Office and Headteacher's Office
- D** Design Block
- E** English Block
- F** Fitness Block and PE Changing Rooms
- G** History Block
- H** Humanities Block
- J** Pit Stop
- M** Maths Block
- S** Science Block

If you are worried or lost, please ask a member of staff.

# What do I do other than the lessons on my timetable?

## HOMEWORK

Your teachers will set you some home-learning tasks and we also expect all year 7 students to read independently for at least 10 minutes each day. You can choose whichever book you like for this.

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

We also know how important it is for you to be involved in activities beyond the classroom, so we encourage all students to spend at least an hour each week taking part in an extra-curricular activity. This can be something organised by the school, such as drama, music, dance, chess, debating or one of a huge range of sports clubs, or something outside school. Joining a club is a brilliant way to make new friends, find a new interest or learn a new skill.



We also organise many trips and residentials which will help broaden your horizons and enhance your learning. During your time at Prince William you will have the chance to visit many places of interest around the UK and beyond – you might even join a trip to Iceland, to learn to ski!

We also offer students the chance to develop their leadership skills through activities such as being on the Student Council and completing The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme.

# LEARNING FOR LIFE AT PRINCE WILLIAM SCHOOL

Respectful Ambitious Resilient



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