# Welcome to Q3 Academy Tipton

Kind, Ambitious, Respectful, Resilient

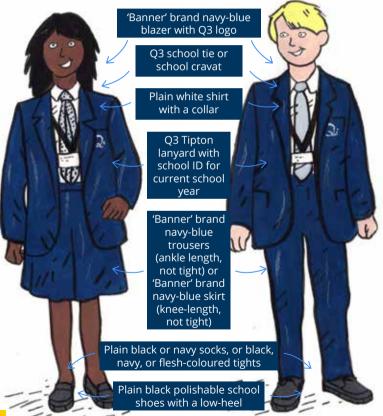




### What do I wear for my first day?

**Being Responsible** 

We expect everyone to look smart and wear the correct uniform from their very first day with us.



Remember to take your coat off when you come into the school building. Your teacher will check that you are wearing the correct uniform regularly.

### **Equipment**

You will also need to bring some basic equipment, such as pens, pencils, a ruler and an eraser every day in a strong bag. We recommend using a backpack.



### **Mobile Phones**

Please remember that you must not use your phone or any other unauthorised electronic device once you are in the school building. Using these devices in school disrupts both your learning and that of your classmates. Should you use a device while in the school building it will be confiscated.

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## What happens on the first day? Being Respectful

# What happens in a school day? Being Ambitious

 You will be greeted at the main gates to the school by Academy staff.

 You will then be directed to tutor lines and from there will be escorted into an assembly to welcome you to your

new school.

 After assembly, you will go to your tutor rooms for induction activities, to collect your timetable and to be provided with any equipment you will need.

 You will then be taken on a tour of the school.



### What else do I need to think about for my first day?

- $\cdot\,$  Arrive on time, so think about your journey before your first day.
- Everything is cashless and payment is made via the online ParentPay system. We will give your parents/carers information about how to top up your ParentPay account. Lunch for your first week will be free of charge.
- Speak to at least three other students that you don't know already. It will really help with making new friends.

Each day has five lessons and a morning and a lunch break. Wednesday is slightly different, it has an earlier finish. This is what the day looks like in Year 7:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday timings (MTTF) Wednesday (W)

Vednesday (W)	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	
	MTTF	W
Gates open	8:40am	8:40am
Life Lessons (Registration) with Tutors or Assembly	8:50am - 9:20am	
Lesson 1	9:20am - 10:20am	8:50am - 9:45am
Lesson 2 & Break	10:20am - 11:35am	9:45am - 10:55am
Lesson 3 & Lunch 1	11:35am - 12:35pm	10:55am - 11:50am
Lesson 4 & Lunches 2, 3 & 4	12:35pm - 2:05pm	11:50am - 1:20pm
Lesson 5	2:05pm - 3:05pm	1:20pm - 2:15pm
End of day	3:05pm	2:15pm
Enrichment & Interventions	3:05pm	

# What else can I do at Q3 Academy Tipton? Being Ambitious

### How will you look after me? Being Kind

We have a fantastic range of clubs and activities on offer!

#### Clubs

Clubs take place after school and there really is something for everyone!

Here are a few examples of some of our clubs that are on offer. The club timetable is updated and reviewed each new term.

Football, Boxing, Netball, Badminton, Basketball, Contemporary Dance, CCF Air Cadets, Drama, Music, Cooking and Homework clubs

#### Shows and concerts

You can also take part in school shows and concerts, which are great fun.

Extra-curricular activities and clubs are a fantastic way to meet people who like the same things and make new friends.



We are a friendly and kind school, and offer a wide range of pastoral support for you:

- Dedicated Head of Year and Assistant Head of Year: They will be your first point of contact.
- Student Counsellor: a full-time member of staff to help anyone experiencing problems.
- Academic Mentors: a team of mentors working to support you in achieving your academic goals.
- Learning Coaches: a team of coaches to help you make choices about your own learning, behaviour and attendance.
- Refresh Champion in the Refresh Room: a dedicated member of staff to help anyone who, for a short time, may struggle to be part of a larger class.
- Welfare Team: two full-time members of staff to help with safeguarding and other social issues.

- Ethos Team: working in conjunction with the charity Grace Foundation, three members of staff provide additional care for our wider school community. These include a Family Worker and a Youth Worker, and they are all-year round members of the team.
- Anti-Bullying Champion (ABC): to support anyone who may experience bullying at school and also leads a team of student anti-bullying champions.
- Attendance Team: two fulltime members of staff to help ensure that everyone attends school because your whole school experience will suffer if you are regularly missing school. We also work with a large range of external agencies, companies and charities to support all of our young people.



# What Year 7s say Being Kind

Going to a new school and being the youngest there can be daunting – you may be worried about making new friends, finding your way around and how you will manage schoolwork.

Here is some great advice from experts - our current Year 7s:

There is lots of help to make friends – icebreakers where you work with someone you don't know already.

It's a big school but very friendly, and you will soon feel at home.

During your first week teachers take you to your classes so there's no possibility of getting lost.

The teachers are experts in their subjects.

It's brilliant learning a new musical instrument.

Ask for help if you are worried about anything - everyone will help.

It's lots of fun!

We look forward to seeing you soon!





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