



The A-Z guide of The Cumberland School

An Information booklet for Students and Parents



IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Year 6 Virtual Transition Session on Thursday 25 June 2020

We will be holding a virtual transition session on Thursday, 25 July, from 9.15am - 10.45am and repeated from 1.15pm - 2.45pm. The session will not only allow us to give you the practical information, including a virtual tour of the school, that you need to know before September. We will also introduce you to staff members who will have direct responsibility for your child during his or her time at TCS and, in particular, during the early stages of transition. We will be sending you a letter and an email reminder of this event nearer the time.

First Day of Term on Friday 4 September 2020

As long as we are operating as normal by then, the first day of school for year 7 will be Friday 4 September 2020. We will have no other year group in the school that day, and we will use the day to help them get to know the school and the staff. Students will only arrive at the main student entrance (Oban Close), where staff members will meet and greet students and check uniforms before they proceed into the Main Performance Hall. Students will meet their form tutors at a welcome assembly then go to their form class for the morning. During that time, they will have their photograph taken and their biometric fingerprint registered.

All students should be in school by 8.25am and will finish at 12.15pm. Parents should collect their child from the end of Oban Close after school. You will receive a letter late August to finalise all of the details.

Any queries, please contact the school on (Tel: 0207 474 0231) or email tcs.transitions@cumberlandcst.org

SCHOOL DAY

PERIOD	TIME	MON, TUE, WED & THUR	FRI
Period 1	08:35 – 09:25	Lesson 1 (50 mins)	
Period 2	09:25 - 10:15	Lesson 2 (50 mins)	
Break Time	10:15 - 10:35	Break (20 mins)	
Period 3	10:35- 11:25	Lesson 3 (50 mins)	
Period 4	11:25 - 12:15	Lesson 4 (50 mins)	
Lunch Time	12:15 - 13:00	Lunch (45 mins)	End of day for students 12:15pm Supervised homework/extra curricular activities for students (optional) End at 2:40pm
Period 5	13:00 - 13:50	Lesson 5 (50 mins)	
Period 6	13:50 - 14:40	Lesson 6 (50 mins)	
Period 7	14:40 - 15:30	Lesson 7 (50 mins)	
End of School	15:30	End of school for students at 15.30pm	

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Important information for parents and students:

Please check the information below and make sure you are buying the correct uniform for your child.

Uniform items must be plain navy blue, without accessories, logos, decoration or any other colours.

The sole uniform supplier for The Cumberland School (TCS) embroidered items, which are as follows: blazer, tie, v-neck jumper, skirt, hijab, abaya, PE kit and school bag is: **Ian Howard Schoolwear** - 409 Barking Rd, East Ham, London E6 2JT **Tel:** 020 8472 1729 **Website:** www.ianhowardschoolwear.com
Open 7 days a week: Monday–Saturday 9.30am-6.00pm & Sunday 10.30am – 4.30pm

- **Blazer:** Navy Blue TCS blazer with logo
- **Shirt:** Plain white shirt with collar
- **Tie:** TCS tie, worn to the waist and two stripes visible
- **Trousers:** Plain Navy Blue, tailored, regular fit (no denim or coloured pocket zips)
- **Skirt:** Navy Blue TCS pleated skirt, knee-length
- **Jumper (optional):** Navy Blue TCS V-Neck with logo
- **Hijab, Abaya:** Navy Blue TCS with logo
- **Prayer Cap, Turban, Patka, Scarfs:** Plain Navy Blue
- **Socks or tights:** Plain Navy Blue/Black
- **Shoes:** Plain black leather school shoes, providing adequate protection and support (no casuals, fabric, canvas, trainers, sandals, pumps, 'work' type shoes e.g. Doctor Martens, high heels, boots, coloured laces, coloured stitching)
- **Coat:** Plain Navy Blue/Black, which should be removed in the building (no leather, suede, denim, hoody, sweatshirt, sports top, body warmer or gilet)
- **Navy Blue TCS Bag** (no other bag is acceptable)

PE Kit: Required items

- **Shirt:** White TCS polo shirt with logo
- **Shorts/Tracksuit Trousers:** Black/Navy TCS football shorts with logo (no leggings)
- **Trainers:** functional for sports (trainers with laces)

PE Kit: Optional items

- **Sweatshirt:** Navy Blue TCS sweatshirt with logo or plain black/navy sweatshirt
- **Socks:** Navy Blue TCS football socks

Jewellery, Decoration and other items

- **Earrings:** Small plain studs, matching pair or single
- **Necklace/Bracelet:** A single necklace or bracelet for religious reasons
- **No other body jewellery is allowed** (nose stud, belly button ring)
- **Hats:** Plain black woollen hat, only to be worn outside the buildings during cold weather (no bobbles, visors)
- **Scarves:** Plain Navy Blue
- **Hair Fasteners:** Plain Navy Blue/Black
- **Belts:** Plain Navy Blue/Black, small and plain buckle
- **Make-up:** To be modest and discreet (no lipstick, false eyelashes, acrylic nails, foundation)
- **No decorative item/amendment:** No coloured hair or extensions, tattoos or visible undergarments

SCHOOL UNIFORM: FAQ

What should I do if there is a problem with my child's uniform?

Give your child a signed and dated note to show their student manager before 8.25am.

Your child will be given a uniform pass if appropriate and will be issued temporary uniform items, wherever possible. Students will be expected to wear this item for the duration of the day. It should be returned at the end of the day.

What should I do if there is a problem with my child's PE kit?

Give your child a signed and dated note to show their PE teacher. Your child should bring their PE kit with them regardless of injury or ailment.

What will happen if my child is in the wrong uniform?

Your child will be issued with a detention. Non-uniform items will be confiscated and only be returned to the parent/carer. Non-uniform items will be replaced with temporary uniform items as required.

Can my child wear a religious dress?

Yes, the following items may be worn:

Hijab and Abaya (TCS logo), Prayer Cap, Turban, Patka: Plain Navy Blue

How can I help my child not to lose any items of their uniform?

You should write your child's name clearly in black permanent pen or use labels on every item of their uniform, including their PE kit.

Can my child wear jewellery?

The wearing of jewellery is limited to the following items:

- A single necklace or bracelet for established religious reasons*
- Earrings: Small plain studs, matching pair or single

*Please contact the school if you would like clarification on the established religious reasons.

Can my child wear makeup?

Any makeup worn must be modest and discreet.

Lipstick, false eyelashes, foundation and acrylic nails are not allowed.

What happens in hot weather with blazers?

All students will be expected to wear their blazers to and from school. Jumpers should not be worn instead of blazers. Classroom teachers will decide whether students can remove their blazers inside the classroom.

A- Z OF USEFUL INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS

Anti-Bullying Ambassadors

We have a team of Anti Bullying Ambassadors that will be available to help and support you. We have representatives in all year groups and the opportunity to become an ambassador will be open to you. Please speak with your Head of Learning if you are interested.

Appointments

All appointments should be made out of school time. If you have an unavoidable appointment at the hospital, for example, you must bring in a note from a parent and a copy of the medical letter. All notes must be signed by your Head of Learning first thing in the morning before school. You are expected to be in school before and after any appointment, allowing for travelling time. You must sign out at reception and be collected by a parent/carer.

Assemblies

Assemblies take place every week. The whole year group will come together to reflect on our key values and our weekly 'Big Question'. Assemblies are delivered by the Head of Learning and a member of the Leadership Group. Students are often asked to participate. Students are expected to sit with their form class, and in 'SLANT' during the assembly. The assembly starts with a quiet time for reflection. Student achievements are also acknowledged and celebrated during the assembly.

Attendance

You are expected to be present in school every day. You should only be off school if you are very ill (where possible you should provide medical evidence). A cough or cold is not a reason to stay at home. If you are ill, it should be a rare occurrence. Appointments should be booked outside of school time. Phone calls must be made to the 'Absence Line' each and every day you are absent from school. **Holidays are not permitted in school time.** Anyone who takes a lot of time off school misses out on learning, and it affects their grades, well-being, and life choices. A parent who does not make sure their child has good attendance will be referred to the Local Authority to be fined or possibly taken to court.

Banned items

The following items are banned in school:

- Mobile phones (see later note on mobile phones) and other electronic devices
- Headphones / earphones
- Chewing gum
- Non-standard uniform items including bandanas, coloured scarfs/coats
- Energy and high sugar drinks
- Large sharing bags of crisps, chocolate and other unhealthy food items

Items will be confiscated and will either be disposed of or given to your Student Manager who will log the item and then return to a parent or carer at a time convenient to the school.

The following items are prohibited in school:

- Offensive weapons such as knives and anything which is intended to cause harm to someone else
- Drugs and alcohol
- Fireworks, lighters, matches
- Tobacco products including E-Cigarettes
- Pornographic images (including those found on a device)
- Stolen Items

Items such as these will be reported and handed to the police. The Headteacher may add to the list of banned or prohibited items as appropriate. Possession of these items can lead to permanent exclusion.

Behaviour Expectations

It is expected that you follow our behaviour code. We expect our students to: arrive on time to school and lessons; be in correct uniform; follow instructions; engage in lessons fully; try hard to complete classwork and homework; treat other students and all of the school community with respect; follow instructions first time; be helpful, polite and honest; show care and compassion to others.

The following are some examples of what we consider to be unacceptable behaviour: swearing; violence or threatening behaviour; damage to property; being in possession of a weapon; rudeness; not following teacher instructions; distracting others; not completing class work or homework; bullying; discriminatory language such as homophobia; lateness to school or lessons; truancy from school or lessons; abuse of the school email or ICT network. This applies in lessons, around the school **and when you are outside of school**.

These are the strategies we will use to deal with students who behave unacceptably: recording a demerit on the school information system; reminder, warning and removal from class to the Behaviour Improvement Room by our Active Patrol system; sending students home to change their uniform; asking students to make up for lost time; a reminder of expected behaviour in and around school; letter or phone call to parents; parental meeting; confiscation of items; detentions; removal of privileges including break/lunchtime; Internal Exclusion; Alternative School Based Exclusion at Forest Gate Community School; Fixed Term Exclusion; Pastoral Support Plan; Directed placement to Tunmarsh and Permanent Exclusion.

Behaviour Improvement Room (BIR)

This is a room that is operated daily to ensure that learning is not interrupted by disruptive behaviour. Your teacher will give you a reminder and warning and if you do not change your behaviour you will be escorted to the BIR. You will complete work in silence. You will be in the room for the remainder of the day, until 4pm (Mon-Thurs) and 12:45pm (Fri). Your parents/carers will be informed via a text message. A restorative conversation will take place with the teacher to ensure you reflect on, and change your behaviour.

Bus Routes

The school is served by a number of different buses, which will ensure you can travel to and from school safely. The key bus numbers are: 147, 262, 300, 376, 473, 276

We will be sending out additional information regarding bus routes from common starting destinations so that you can plan and practice your journey prior to starting in September.

Canteen

The canteen offers healthy and nutritious hot and cold food. We advise all students to eat a delicious freshly cooked meal from our school canteen. Parents or carers should top up lunch money using ParentMail. If you think you may be entitled to free school meals, parents/carers need to apply online via the Newham Council website. You are encouraged to eat your food in the canteen with staff and students. All students and staff clear their own plates, leaving a friendly and clean environment for everyone. If you have comments or suggestions about how to improve the canteen, please email the Student Council.

Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance (CEIAG)

Do you know what you want to do when you leave school? Most people need help and guidance with this and thankfully we have an experienced careers advisor on hand to help. You will receive information and advice about colleges, universities and jobs when all students receive a careers interview and have the opportunity to participate in careers activities and workshops.

Classrooms

A wise person once said, 'If you can change a classroom, you can change a community'. Think about how your classroom looks and feels. How are you contributing to it? Students should make sure classrooms and learning spaces are orderly and tidy. If you would like to change something about the classroom, please email the Student Council. If you would like to change something about learning, talk to your teacher.

Computers

All students have a computer account (which can be accessed remotely outside of school) and have access to computers in the school. Students using the computers agree to abide by the ICT and Safe Computer User Agreement. Never share your password with someone or leave your computer logged on. If you do so you will be responsible for any activity on your account including any emails that are sent.

Corridors

Students move around the corridors in single file and on the left, without fuss. They follow the corridor rules. Please have a look at the signs on the wall. They tell you the unacceptable behaviours. These are: No littering; No mobile phones or headphones; No physical contact 'hands off'; No shouting or inappropriate language; No running; No lateness or lingering; Uniform infringement. On the rare occasion students decide not to follow safe corridor rules, they will receive a slip which gives notice of a detention. If students act positively in the corridors they will receive a positive slip - for example for saying thank you or for holding doors open, letting people through and picking up litter. It really makes for a pleasant environment.

Detentions

Sometimes students are given detentions. They are obligatory to attend - this means you **MUST** attend. If you have received a detention, make sure you attend. It is your responsibility to be present on time. Your parents are informed via a text message or parentmail. The school has the power to set detentions for up to one hour after school and parents must support this. It is the law.

Dynamic Progress Report (DPR)

You will be given a curriculum pathway in each subject. Your pathway is based on current and previous learning. You will be able to move to a different pathway if you show evidence of easily achieving your current pathway.

Pathway A - if consolidating or secure will result in a minimum grade of 7, aiming for 8-9

Pathway B - if consolidating or secure will result in a minimum grade of 5, aiming for 6-7

Pathway C - if consolidating or secure will result in a minimum grade of 3, aiming for 4-5

Pathway D - if consolidating or secure will result in a minimum grade of 1, aiming for 2-3

Pathway S - is personalised and works towards grade 1

We also run Pathway X for students who demonstrate exceptional academic performance.

You will have your own DPR username and password so that you can check on progress, communicate with teachers and access homework tasks.

Equipment

Successful students come to school ready to learn. It is expected that you bring the following with you:

- Bag - TCS navy blue backpack
- Pencil case
- Blue or black pen
- Purple pen for peer-marking and redrafting
- Pencil
- Ruler
- Maths set including scientific calculator
- Small dictionary
- Lesson Timetable
- A reading book
- PE kit on PE days

Feedback

Your books will be live marked in lessons regularly by your teacher. After your work has been marked, you will be invited to improve it using a purple pen. Make sure you read your teacher's comments for improvement and act upon it straight away. Often you will be required to peer assess someone else's work. Think carefully about your feedback and the important role you have in helping them improve.

Fitness Suite

We have plans to build a brand new high tech fitness suite over the summer. Students will be able to use it at lunchtimes and after school. Please speak to the staff in the PE department to find out more.

Form Tutors

Your form tutor is there to help you with day to day problems and to listen to you. You will see them formally several times a week and you must find them if you need to tell them something. They would love to hear your good news too.

Free Breakfast

ALL staff and students have access to a free magic breakfast everyday from 7.30am - 8.15am in the school canteen.

Golden Ticket

All students have the opportunity to receive the 'Golden Ticket', which is awarded by all teachers, every week. The Golden Ticket is awarded to those who demonstrate outstanding commitment to their learning during the week. As recognition of hard work is important at the school, students are asked to stand and receive an applause from the class and their teacher upon receiving a ticket.

Home School Partnership Agreement

The aim of this agreement is to encourage shared responsibility between home and school so that each student achieves their best and, in so doing, contributes positively to the school community. This partnership agreement is signed by student, parent and school during the admissions interview.

Intervention

All students will receive some form of extra intervention during their time at school. Sometimes it is during the school day and often it is out of normal school hours. When you are in Year 11 you will be expected to attend after school most evenings for targeted support with your work. This is a privilege, something that would cost you a lot of money if you had a private tutor and will help you get a better job in the future. Thankfully in school it is free. It is your responsibility to make sure you arrive on time and prepared. Always make sure you have reminded everyone at home where you will be and what time you will be finished.

Learning

This is the reason why we are here. If there is anything that is affecting your learning, please speak to your Form Tutor, Student Manager or Head of Learning.

Learning for Life

There is a mentoring period twice a week with your form tutor. During this time you will have assemblies, citizenship and PSHE activities, including Active Reading. Please make sure you have a reading book with you at all times.

Letters to and from home

Letters are sent home using ParentMail. Please make sure we have your parents' email address and they have signed up for ParentMail. Remind them to check their email regularly.

Library

The library opening hours for next year will be Monday to Thursday 8.00am – 5.00pm and on Fridays 8.00am – 4.00pm. Students are allowed to borrow four books for two weeks but can renew them at any time. If the student is an avid reader, they can borrow up to six books.

Line Up

To minimise corridor congestion after lunchtimes, students line up in the main playground at the start of the day as well as at the end of break and lunch. When the first bell goes, students make their way to the main playground and they find their respective class in the playground. Students line up silently, in SLANT and they wait for their teacher who will escort them into the building in silence.

Lost Property

Lost property should be taken to the front office where it will be logged and returned to its rightful owner. If you have lost anything, please go to the front office first. To avoid misplacing items, please make sure all uniform has been marked with your name. All unclaimed lost property will be displayed at the end of each term. Any items remaining by the holidays will be donated to charity.

Lunchtime clubs and activities

At lunchtime we have a range of clubs and activities for you to get involved in. Check out our clubs' board for more information. We also have designated areas for private study, including the library.

Master Mission

The Master Mission is a unique and additional curriculum set up by the school. It consists of a number of tasks that have been designed specifically to encourage students to become independent, self-reliant and dedicated learners, who contribute positively, not only to the school, but the wider community. There are three levels of Master Mission: Bronze, Silver and Gold. This is a tiered programme and as part of each level of the Master Mission students are required to complete a number of tasks which fall into four different sections: extension, enrichment, challenge and service. Students will need to upload evidence to our DPR to demonstrate completion of the different tasks. Once successfully completing each stage, students are awarded with badges for their lapels as well as certificates, which are presented in our Rewards Assemblies.

Medical

If you have medical needs including any allergy, please make sure your parents or carers have informed the school. Any medication, which includes an inhaler, that you have to take during the school day should be given to the school nurse, in a sealed named bag. This will be discussed with your parents and a care plan will be put in place. Students that have asthma should carry an inhaler in their bag as well as giving one to the school nurse, please check that these are in good working order.

If you hurt yourself or fall ill during the school day, you can go to the medical room. Your teacher or other staff member will call for medical to come and collect you from the classroom, corridor or outside area. Most of the time the ailment can be treated in school and you can carry on with learning. If you are really hurt or ill, your parents or carers may be called to accompany you home. Please make sure all phone numbers on the school system are up to date and there are at least two contacts available.

Merits

Merits are awarded for effort and achievement. You may also get a merit if you are helpful or contribute to wider school life. When you reach a certain number of merits you receive either a bronze, silver or gold award. There are prizes that are awarded throughout the year in assembly and reward evenings. Keep a track of your merits so that you know how close you are to the next tier of award.

Mobile phones

Mobile phones are not permitted to be seen in school. If a member of staff sees, or hears, a mobile phone at any time on the school premises, it will be confiscated and you will receive a detention. Your phone will only be returned to a parent or carer and this will be done at a time convenient for the school.

Motto

Our motto "Determined, ambitious learners" illustrates the focus, of both the school and the Trust, on promoting a culture of the highest aspiration and achievement, focusing on the development of each student to achieve their full potential.

Parent drop-off/pick-up

Oban Close and the school car park is not accessible to parents/carers. It is important that we respect the residents of Oban Close including the London Fire Brigade. Students should be dropped off/picked up on Prince Regent Lane and walk up Oban Close.

ParentMail

We use ParentMail to communicate letters, trips and events to you. You can also pay for your child's school meals and equipment such as calculators, books and other study resources through this service. Parentmail also has an App, which is available to use on iOS and Android, of which you can be notified each time there is a new communication from the school or if your child's meal account is low and requires top up.

Parental Pledge

"How can I support my child to reach their full potential at school?" This is a question that parents and family members regularly ask our staff. Ongoing research suggests that students with engaged parents or guardians earn higher grades and test scores, have better social skills, and show improved behaviour. Our staff work exceptionally hard to provide students with the best possible education and life chances. However, we recognise the hugely important role that parents/guardians and families play. The sky's the limit for our students with the dedication of our outstanding teachers alongside the support and boundaries they need from their family and the people closest to them. As a result, our experienced staff have created the 'TCS Parental Pledge' which is a series of statements that are backed up by extensive research. See page 13.

Politeness

We expect all our students to engage positively with peers, teachers and visitors in the school. Polite, respectful and helpful behaviour is often rewarded through the issuing of a corridor slip and logging of a merit on the schools behaviour watch system.

Prefects

In Year 10, you will have the opportunity to become a prefect. They are ambassadors for the school and support the day to day running of the school. They are also available to help and support you. You will recognise them as they wear a light blue tie.

Presentation of work

Neat work is really important. It shows that you have taken care and given it the right amount of attention. It also helps your teacher read what you have written. Please make sure you have a black pen, purple pen, pencil and ruler and that you follow the school's presentation policy.

Prestigious College Scholarship Programme

This programme supports Year 11 students to win scholarships to top fee-paying schools such as Eton College, King's College, University College School and Bancrofts. If you are focussed and work hard you could benefit from this programme when you are in year 11.

Punctuality

You must be in school before 8:25am in time for line up. If you arrive after this time, you will be marked as late. This will have an effect on your learning and will result in a 1 hour detention for you at the end of the day. Be on time!

Restorative Conversation

A restorative conversation encourages you to think about what you need to do in order to move on from the behaviour you demonstrated in a lesson that impacted your own or others' learning. This is to prevent the same behaviour being repeated.

Saturday School

The school is sometimes open on Saturdays for students to do quiet study and exam intervention. If you are in school on a Saturday, **you must enter via reception and sign in.**

School Trips

School trips happen throughout the year. At the end of the year there is an educational trip day that all students attend. Have a look at the school calendar on the website for planned trips for your year group. Parent/carers permission is granted through ParentMail so please ensure you have signed up.

SLANT

3-2-1 SLANT is a strategy used by teachers to bring the class together and ensure all students are focused on learning. It stands for:

S - Sit/Stand up straight

L - Listen carefully

A - Ask/Answer questions

N - Never interrupt

T - Track the speaker

Social Media

To keep up to date with what's going on at the school, please follow our social media news on Twitter @CumberlandE13

Sports

At The Cumberland School we offer sport as part of the curriculum and a range of clubs before school, at lunchtime and after school. For more information, see our clubs' noticeboard, ask your PE teacher or check on the school website.

Uniform

Personal presentation is important in the world of work and we want to make sure that you develop a sense of pride in how you look. Research suggests students behave better in school uniform and therefore, your learning will benefit. Remember you are ambassadors for The Cumberland School and your behaviour when in uniform, including going to and from school, reflects on the school. Uniform items must be plain navy blue, without accessories, logos, decoration or any other colours.



The Cumberland School Parental Pledge

I pledge to log into the DPR to check my child's progress, homework assignments and resources at least once per week.

Use this link for quick access to the DPR: <https://dpr.education/>

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I pledge to ensure my child has a regular bedtime, no later than 10pm as I understand the importance of my child getting 8-10 hours of sleep per night.

For more information: <https://www.healthline.com/nutrition/10-reasons-why-good-sleep-is-important#section2>

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I pledge to restrict screen time to a maximum of 2 hours per day and before 9pm as I am aware that more than this will have a detrimental effect on my child's sleep, concentration and mental health. For more information: <https://www.verywellfamily.com/cut-kids-screen-time-for-health-621154>

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I pledge to ensure my child leads a healthy lifestyle by meeting the NHS guidelines of 60 minutes of activity every day.

For more information: <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/exercise/physical-activity-guidelines-children-and-young-people/>

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I pledge to ensure my child drinks water and low sugar drinks because I am aware of the various detrimental effects of a high sugar diet. For more information:

<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/food-facts/healthier-snacks-for-kids/lower-sugar-drinks-for-kids-stop-tooth-decay>

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I pledge to ensure my child eats breakfast every morning because I understand that missing it will make my child feel tired, restless and irritable.

For more information: <https://kidshealth.org/en/parents/breakfast.html>

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I pledge to use mealtimes as an opportunity to talk to my child as it will benefit their social skills, confidence and memory.

Read more here: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/education-23502947>

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I pledge to create a quiet and safe space in the home for a minimum of two hours per day for my child to complete their homework assignments.

For more information: <https://www.greatschools.org/gk/articles/best-homework-place/>

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I pledge to create a love of reading at home and ensure my child reads for a minimum of 30 minutes everyday.

For more information: <https://www.pearson.com/uk/learners/primary-parents/learn-at-home/help-your-child-to-enjoy-reading>

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I pledge to support my child to complete their 'Master Mission' challenges as this will develop their cultural capital.

For more information: <https://culturallearningalliance.org.uk/what-is-cultural-capital/>

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Are you up for the pledge?

PRIVACY NOTICE

General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

We, at The Cumberland School, are compliant with the General Data Protection Regulation. We collect personal information from you and may receive information about you from your previous school and the Learning Records Service. All information is confidential but can be required in law by the Local Authority or the DfE. We hold this personal data to:

- Support your learning
- Monitor and report on your progress
- Provide appropriate pastoral care
- Assess how well we are doing

Information about you that we hold includes your contact details, national curriculum assessment results, attendance information and personal characteristics such as your ethnic group, any special educational needs you may have and relevant medical information. If you are enrolling for post 14 qualifications the Learning Records Service will give us your unique learner number (ULN) and may also give us details about your learning or qualifications.

In addition for Secondary and Middle deemed Secondary Schools

Once you are aged 13 or over, we are required by law to pass on certain information to providers of youth support services in your area. This is the local authority support service for young people aged 13 to 19 in England. We must provide the names and addresses of you and your parent(s), and any further information relevant to the support services' role.

However, if you are over 16, you (or your parent/carer(s) can ask that no information beyond names, addresses and your date of birth be passed to the support service. This right transfers to you on your 16th birthday. Please tell the Office Manager if you wish to opt out of this arrangement. For more information about young people's services, please go to the National Careers Service page at <https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/aboutus/Pages/default.aspx>

We will not give information about you to anyone without your consent unless the law and our policies allow us to. If you want to receive a copy of the information about you that we hold or share, please contact the Office Manager.

If you need more information about how the LA and DfE store and use your information, then please go to the following websites:

www.newham.gov.uk <http://www.education.gov.uk/researchandstatistics/datatdatam/b00212337/datause>

If you cannot access these websites, please contact the LA or DfE as follows:

London Borough of Newham
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ADMISSION: FAQs

What does the admission process involve?

You will receive an email from our Admissions Officer, which will give you a date and time to meet with the Transition Co-ordinator.

1. ID of your child (Passport or birth certificate)
2. Proof of parental responsibility (Full birth certificate of child, HMRC tax credits letter or child benefits letter)
3. Proof of address (utility bill, driving licence)
4. Proof of date of entry into the country (if applicable)

During the Corona virus 'Stay at Home Lock Down' interviews are being conducted over the telephone and parents/carers are being asked to take a photograph of the essential documents and email them to the Transition Team email address.

What if I don't want the place or I have appealed to find a different school for my child?

You have been allocated a year 7 place at TCS and therefore you need to engage fully with the interview process. You can, alongside this, officially lodge an appeal with Newham but it is worth noting that decisions are often not reached until late July.

What if I am not able to attend on the date offered?

Please inform us immediately by emailing TCS.Transitions@cumberlandcst.org or call 020 7474 0231, so we can discuss the best way forward for you and your child.

Who should be present at the virtual interview?

The person who has parental responsibility for the child. If you need help with English, please bring a suitable friend or family member to help.

How long will the interview take?

Provided the information on the online admission form is complete and you have emailed photos of all the necessary evidence, the admission interview will last approximately 15/20 minutes. There will of course be additional time should you wish to ask further questions about your child's future at TCS.

Can my child choose to be in a class with their friends?

A very fair process allows us to ensure parity across all classes taking into consideration gender, ability and behaviour following recommendations made by our primary school colleagues. This process does not consider prior friendships a priority; we encourage all students to make new friends at the outset of their secondary school education.

Is there a Summer school?

At present there is no government funding for a summer school but TCS were going to run one this year but with the current situation this is likely to be.

Will my child get a free school meal if they have had one at primary school?

Under Newham's initiative, only primary school children eat for free. If you have previously applied for Free School Meals via the Newham website, you will not need to apply again as this will be continually checked for eligibility until your child is no longer educated in a Newham school.

If you have never applied for Free School Meals, please apply via the Newham Council Website:

https://newham-self.achieveservice.com/service/Application_for_Free_School_Meals

If you require support to apply, please call the school on 0207 474 0231 or email us:

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