



# CANNOCK CHASE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the Director of Year 7. We have had a very busy few weeks in Year 7, the students have made a fantastic start to secondary school life and are transitioning well. We have a strong group of tutors in Year 7 who are on hand to provide both academic and emotional support to your child. We know that transition can be a daunting time, so please contact us if you have any concerns or wish to discuss any aspect of school life. I can be contacted on the following e-mail address [e.fisher@cannockchase-high.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:e.fisher@cannockchase-high.staffs.sch.uk)

I would like to give you a brief overview of some of the topics that Year 7 will be studying this academic year with their tutor groups, and to give you an insight into our charity work this academic year.

## PSHE

Year 7 students receive two sessions of PSHE per week, in Year 7 our PSHE topics are:

- Visions and Values, life as a Cannock Chase High School Student;
- Bullying / Online Bullying;
- Internet Safety / Social Media Awareness;
- Mental Health Awareness;
- Road / Rail / Water Safety;
- Introduction to careers;
- Citizenship – Charity Projects.

Alongside our PSHE curriculum, Year 7 will also take part in off timetable days for the following events:

- Harvest Festival;
- Remembrance Service;
- Carol Service;
- Holocaust Memorial Day;
- World Book Day;

As part of our Year 7 PSHE scheme of work, Year 7 will be focusing on the role of Citizenship, both on a local and global scale. We would like to tell you about two charities that Year 7 will be planning and raising money for in school. We would be extremely grateful if you could support our Year 7 students in their citizenship projects. Further details on these events will follow throughout the year.

## Year 7 School Defibrillator Project

Year 7 are starting off their citizenship projects by raising money for a school defibrillator, demonstrating the school values of Responsibility and Teamwork. We will be holding events throughout the year, these will be planned by our Year 7 tutor reps.

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TEAMWORK

RESPONSIBILITY

EXCELLENCE

RESILIENCE

We currently have a wheelbarrow that we are trying to fill with spare change, any donations are very gratefully received and all money will go towards funding the school defibrillator. Last year we managed to collect £500 in change that was donated to Birmingham Children’s Hospital, we hope to raise even more this year, every penny counts. Please bring donations to H8 and place in the wheelbarrow.

**Oversees Charity**

Year 7 have decided to continue to help a school in the High Atlas Mountains in Morocco by collecting items that can help them in school and also in their daily lives. We hope to collect a box of donated items per tutor group which will be taken over to them this summer.

The following items can and cannot be donated:

Can	Cannot
✚ Pencils	✚ No perishable food items
✚ Pens	✚ No English books
✚ Rubbers	✚ No used underwear
✚ Rulers	✚ No broken toys/games
✚ Pencil Cases	✚ No toys with batteries
✚ Colours Pencils/Pens	
✚ Colouring Books	
✚ Note Pads	
✚ Small Stickers (stars, faces etc...)	
✚ Stocking fillers (toys without batteries needed)	
✚ Stuffed animals (teddies etc...)	
✚ Clothes (unstained, without holes)	
✚ Toiletries (roll-on deodorant, soap, toothpaste toothbrushes)	
✚ Small packets of sweets (long life, e.g. Haribos, Jelly Tots, but nothing chocolate based)	
✚ Hair brush/ comb	
✚ Socks, underwear (new only)	
✚ Small makeup sets (new, unused)	
✚ Hair accessories (bobbles, clips, headbands)	
✚ Dressing-up costumes (Disney characters etc...)	

It is important that these donations are in good quality as these could be the first gifts these children get. In Morocco many places are affected by poverty so we would like to help them and build links with schools over there for the future. All donations should be brought to me in H8.

Thank you in anticipation for your support and I look forward to welcoming you on our Year 7 Parents’ Evening on the 8 November.

Yours sincerely



Mrs E Fisher  
Director of Year 7