



PLUME

Maldon's Community Academy



Year 6 Parents and Carers Transition Evening
Wednesday 6 July 2022

A Warm Welcome from Ms Everett – Assistant Vice Principal (Mill Road Campus Lead)

- The Plume family vision, structure and ethos
- Core values and expectations of the students
- Core values and expectations of the staff
- Relationships with parents and carers

‘This is a good school’ Ofsted 2018

Discipline with Dignity (DwD)



Making sure we respect ourselves, our academy, our community and each other.

'The strong relationships between pupils and staff embody the 'respect yourself, respect others and respect the environment' agenda' Ofsted 2018

Ms J Everett (Mill Road Campus Lead)

- Mill Road Campus and the roles people hold.
- Students overcoming nerves and returning after the summer break.
- September start: **Monday 5 September at 8.25am** (starting with support time from Form Tutors).
- Working together and in collaboration.

Pupils are polite and well mannèred. They know the value of making a good impression. Inspectors saw no incidents of poor behaviour 'Ofsted 2018

What will the first day, week and year be like?

Students should arrive for an 8.25am start on Monday 5 September

1. Students will line up on the top **netball courts**.
2. Students will spend the first part of their day with their **Form Tutor completing induction style activities**. They will receive their **timetables, cards and relevant details** (no need for a PE kit on the first day).
3. Students can bring packed lunches or use the canteen (we will ensure that all students have time to eat their lunches).
4. The day will end at 3.10 pm
5. If your child is getting the bus, it helps if they know what number bus they need to catch in order for our staff to help them.
4. **If students need more help they should ask their Form Tutors or go to Student Support (next to reception)**

*Effective systems track individual pupils' progress accurately.
This now gives governors the useful information they need to
support and challenge leaders effectively' Ofsted 2018*

Year 7 Handbook



'Pupils' opportunities to follow a curriculum well matched to their interests mean that a very high proportion progress successfully on leaving.' Ofsted 2018

Plume Academy Uniform

All details are available in our
Year 7 Handbook.

<https://www.yourschoolwear.co.uk/plume-maldons-community-academy-185-c.asp>

Uniform Shop in August
Tuesday 9 & Wednesday 10
August

Fambridge Road Campus
10.00 am to 3.00 pm



'Pupils move around the large but narrow site promptly and sensibly. Staffs are highly visible. Pupils behave well at break and lunchtimes'. Ofsted 2018

Parent Pay

- Online Payment System – www.parentpay.com
- No cash payments in the academy
 - Apart from charity days
 - Pay Point cards available – contact the Finance Office
- Web-based system - there is no app!!
 - Best viewed on a computer
 - Limited function on a phone browsers
- Covers all catering, trips & visit contributions

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Parent Pay

- Due to students not appearing on the academy roll until Thursday 1 September 2022, Parent Pay is not available until this time.
- A letter sent to all parents/carers in last week of August
 - Please activate before the first day of term - Monday 5 September
 - Contact Finance Office if not received by Friday 2 September
 - Full instructions given in the letter

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Pupil Premium & Free School Meals

- FSM status does not transfer from primary school
 - You must re-apply to Plume Academy
- Apply online:
<https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/ofsm-east/apply>
 - No other checking service will notify the academy
 - Eligibility based on your access to other benefits
 - If in doubt, please apply

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Pupil Premium & Free School Meals

- FSM daily allocation is £2.40
 - Additional parental top-ups are allowed
- Free School Meals are totally anonymous
- Card based payment system in the academy
- Every student card is the same

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The Transition Booklet

- Each individual student's story and start to their Plume Academy journey.
- Working with your child to complete the booklet.
- Using the booklet to help prepare your child and build their resilience.

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A Typical Week in Tutor Time

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
PD Based Assembly	DEAR (Drop Everything And Read)	Additional Enrichment activities and assemblies	PD Based Topic	Current Affairs Quiz

- For one lesson per week students also take part in a one-hour Personal Development lesson. The PD assemblies and discussions are closely linked to these to help reinforce and deliver important messages.
- Assemblies cover a wide range of topics and students themselves regularly lead these times.

'The sixth form is well led. Students attend well, are taught well and make good progress'. Ofsted 2018

Year 7 Pastoral Team

Mrs R Clark	Joint Head of Academy
Ms J Everett	Mill Road Campus Lead
Mr A Downes	Head of Year 7
Mrs J Southgate	Assistant Head of Year 7
Mr A Stoneman	Designated Safeguarding Lead and Vice Principal
Mrs K Darcy-Smith	Assistant Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Frost	Pupil Premium Grant Co-ordinator
Mrs J Wilks	Pupil Premium Grant Assistant
Mrs Rattenbury	Transition Co-ordinator

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Ensuring student wellbeing

First point of contact
Promote positive behaviour
Providing support for students
Reward students when they
contribute to both the academy and
the local community

Ensuring academic potential is achieved

Monitoring student progress
Tutor group programmes
Student and staff mentoring
Dialogue with students and
parents/carers
Rewarding success and a positive
attitude to learning

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Curriculum and Home Learning

(Mr Baster –Joint Head of Academy)

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Homework

- Homework timetables
- 25 minutes per set homework
- Teachers will adopt a pragmatic approach to homework, with reasonable timeframes for completion
- Homework is set via an online system, Satchel One, which parents/carers can access
- The same online system is also used to inform parents/carers of rewards that their child receive.

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Assessment at Plume Academy

- There is no ceiling on attainment.
- Cognitive Ability Tests (CAT) – September.
- Performance in these tests produces a likely bracket of attainment.
- Our students, at Key Stage 3, receive attainment grades A-E in each subject, each term.
- Based on the results of the CATs tests, it will be determined what constitutes ‘good’ progress for your child.
- On your child’s individual report, the grade will be shaded green, amber, red, depending on whether the grade constitutes good progress *for them*.
- Every child is different – this system recognises this – as does our reward system, which is based on progress relative to your child’s personal starting point.

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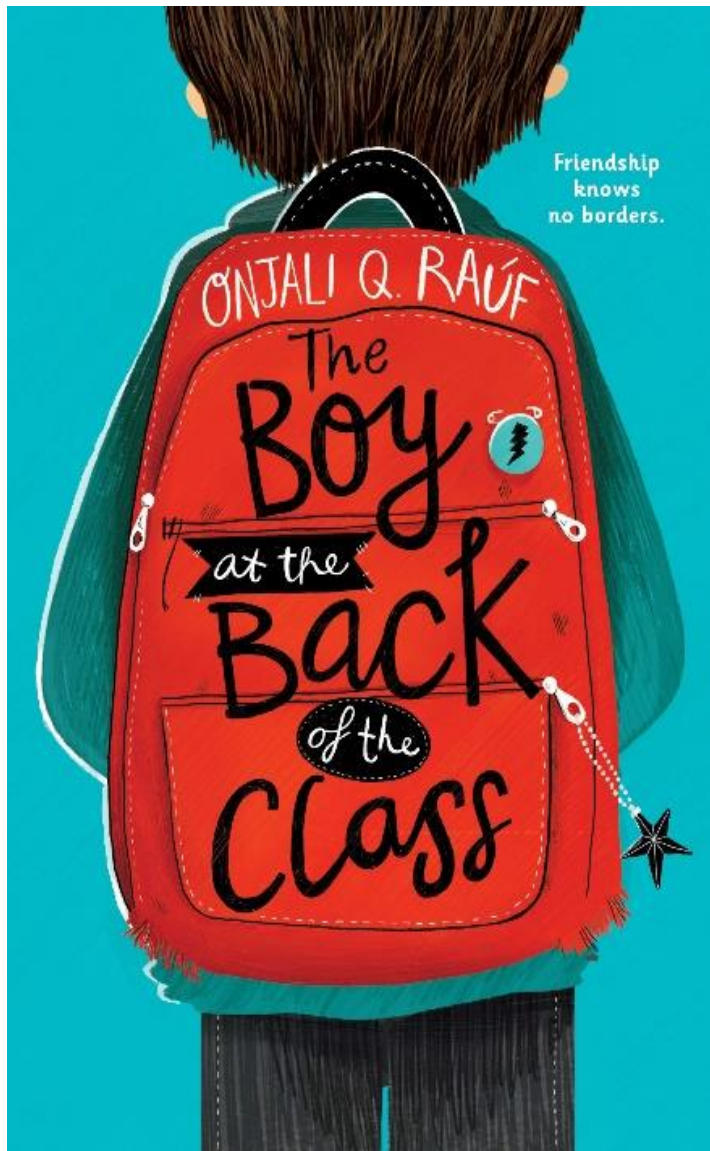
Monitoring Progress

- Behaviour For Learning Report (October/November)
- Three 'Attainment' Reports (one per term)
- Parents and Carers Evening - annually

Parents and carers are welcome to contact their child's teacher to discuss progress; they do not need to wait until a formal monitoring point or the annual Parents' Consultation Evening.

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The Summer Reading Challenge



Please keep supporting your children with their reading. Students are consistently encouraged to read during their time at Plume Academy.

THE MORE THAT YOU

READ

THE MORE THINGS YOU WILL

KNOW

THE MORE THAT YOU

LEARN

THE MORE PLACES YOU'LL GO

DR. SEUSS

The SEND Team at Mill Road Campus

'SEND – it is everybody's business'

Mrs J Farmer	Mill Road Campus SEND Manager
Mrs A Stansfield	SEND Manager for Statutory Paperwork
Mrs S Archer	SEND 2 nd In-charge / FRC Campus SEND Manager
Mr E Harris	SEND Intervention Co-ordinator
Mrs O Bamigbele	Whole Academy Lead for SEND (and member of the academy's Senior Leadership Team)

Our team of dedicated and experienced SEND staff work very closely with our pastoral and subject teams to ensure the best possible social, emotional and academic outcomes for young people, guiding them towards independence and remain ever mindful of their next steps in life.

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Communicating with the Academy

Pastoral Queries	Year 7 Tutor Head of Year (Mr A Downes) Assistant Head of Year (Mrs J Southgate)
Subject Queries	Subject Teacher Subject Leader or Faculty Leader Contact list: https://www.plume.essex.sch.uk/staff-contacts
SEND Queries	Mill Road Campus SEND Manager (Mrs J Farmer)

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Questions



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