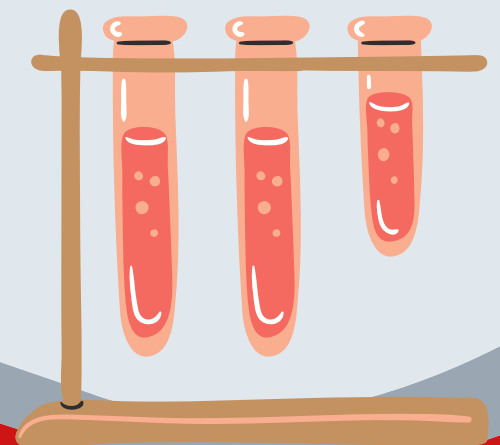




TAVISTOCK COLLEGE

VIRTUAL TRANSITION



Part 3 JuLY 2020

WELCOME

to part 3

Dear Students and Parents

This is our last virtual transition package, which means I can get excited to actually meet you all in person at the start of September!

That's the good news, due to the current advice from the government we are getting everything ready to welcome you to the college on September the 8th!

The slightly disappointing news is that it won't quite be 'normal' yet. You will still be taught in communities and you will be in the same classroom for the majority of your lessons.

We also won't be able to meet together as a year group in assemblies due to the size of the year group, so on the first day, when you arrive at one of the schools entrances, you will be welcomed by a member of the Year 7 Team. You will be guided to your tutor rooms, where your Tutor is located. You will then be welcomed by a virtual assembly with Mrs Greener and Mrs Ingleby.

However, whatever challenges we face, we will face together and get through together and because of that we will be stronger as a year group.

I hope that you have a fantastic summer and that you are able to look forward to your time with us at College.

If you feel that our jam packed last edition doesn't answer your remaining questions, please send them by email to us, although we will be on holiday ourselves, we will be checking in and will reply to you before the start of term!

Mr Forster
Vice Principal



SEE YOU SOON!



Who to Contact If?

See below for some sample questions and who would be the best person to answer your query.

My daughter has left her lunch at home this morning, what can I do? I have not received a letter that other parents have received, what can I do? I need to top up my child's lunch account, how do I do this?



Ms Cocker
KS3 Administrator



Your Tutor

My son is struggling with his homework, what can I do? My son has an appointment at the hospital next week during college hours, where can I arrange to meet him? My daughter having friendship problems, how can you help?

My son has not settled into Year 7 as well as we had hoped, how can you help us with this? My daughter is struggling to organise herself, do you have any tips that can help her?



Mr Jerrett
Transition Officer



Mrs Greener
Head of Year 7

My son has issues with another child following an incident that happened at break time yesterday.
My daughter is struggling in class, what can you do to help her?



Mrs Ingleby
Assistant Head of KS3



Tutor Email Contact



7B

Mrs Gjoka &
Mrs Mooney

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k.mooney@tavistockcollege.org



.7BA

Miss Gibbons &
Mrs Palmer

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7T

Mrs Harry-Chudleigh

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Transition Tim

WORD SEARCH

CAN YOU FIND THE FOLLOWING WORDS?

CLASSROOM

ENGLISH

ART

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

BUS PASS

SCIENCE

MUSIC

FRENCH

TUTOR

MATHS

PE

JAPANESE

RECESS

HISTORY

DRAMA

CHEMISTRY

TIMETABLE

GEOGRAPHY

TECHNOLOGY

BIOLOGY

CLUBS

SPANISH

COMPUTING

A	B	R	B	L	S	P	G	A	E	N	G	L	I	S	H	T	H	L	R	J
F	I	Y	R	A	R	T	T	E	D	M	T	R	R	Y	I	J	K	A	E	A
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C	L	A	S	S	R	O	O	M	R	G	N	A	D	Y	T	R	D	P	I	A
H	O	F	C	K	E	B	T	B	E	J	F	Z	G	L	O	O	R	E	G	N
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Transition Tim CROSSWORD



Across

1- Show this to the driver to be able to travel on this large vehicle (3, 4)

2- A word that is used to describe people, places or things (4)

3- A brass instrument commonly used in classical music (7)

4- Remember to bring this to keep you hydrated during the day! (5, 6)

5- We speak this language in our country (7)

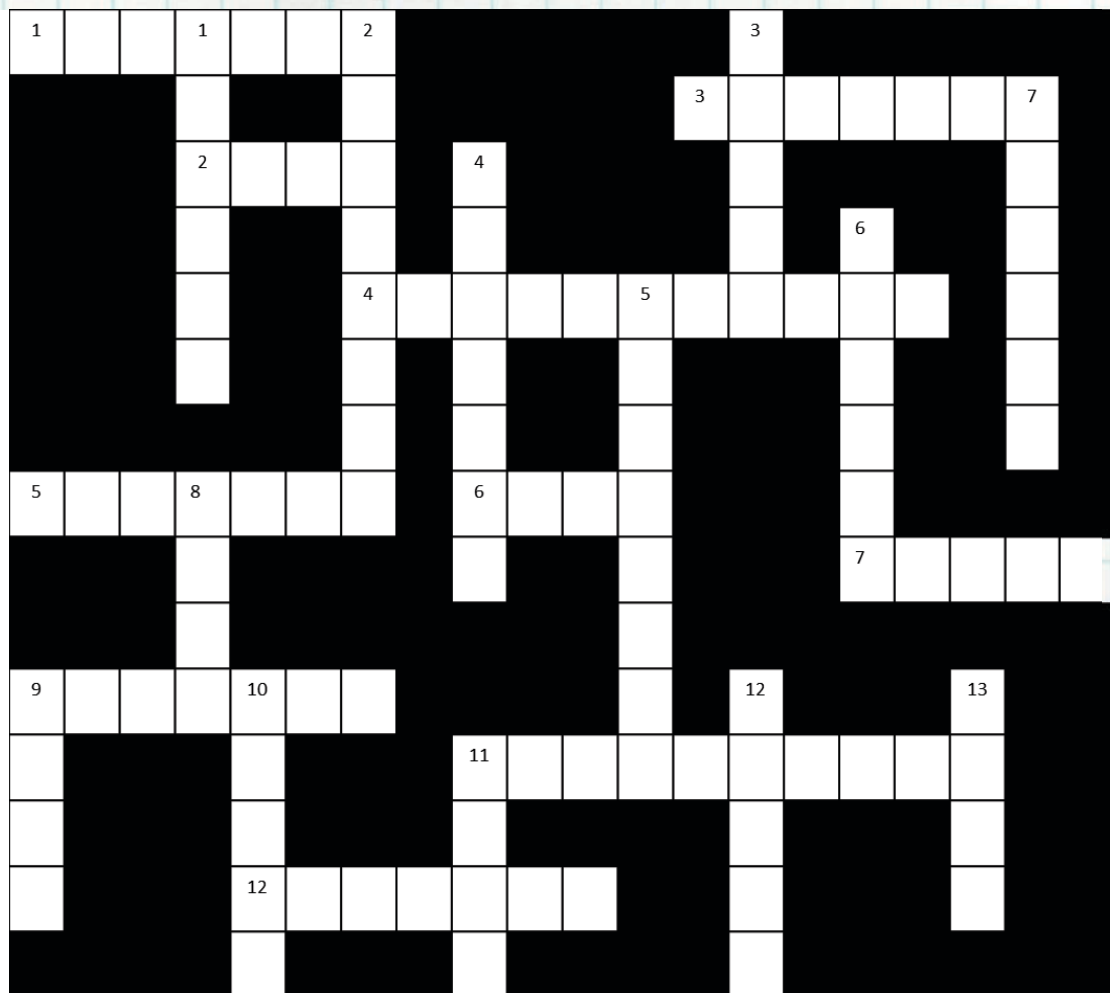
6- "Good ____" (4)
Common phrase to wish people well on an event/challenge

7- Used to measure or draw straight lines in class (5)

9- What are the 3 most important steps to remember in a fire drill?
9 across, stand Q _ _ _ t _ _
(7), 8 down - _ _ _ _ up (4),
12 down - Stand _ _ _ _ _ (5)

11- In what sport would you try to perform a Slam Dunk?
(10)

112- At Tavistock College you will have five _ _ _ _ _ a day (7)



Down

1- You draw using a _ _ _ _ _ (5)

2- A tasty lunchtime food - Ham and Cheese for example (8)

3- You should eat 5 portions of _ _ _ _ _ or vegetables a day (5)

4- Score a goal by throwing a ball through a hoop, similar to Basketball (7)

5- Put your books and pencil case in this to carry your stuff around school (8)

6- Your tie and _ _ _ _ _ must be worn as part of College uniform (6)

7- Use this with a video camera to ensure your shot remains still! (6)

8- See 9 across (4)

9- Another name for a round of questions! (4)

10- A hammer and saw are types of what that you might use in D.T? (5)

11- Read this during English lessons to tell a story (4)

12- See 9 across (5)

13- You will do this at recess to let off steam! (4)

SCHOOL APPS AND HOW TO USE THEM



Schoolgateway



School Gateway

Online Payments and communication with School Gateway

To ensure you do not miss out on important electronic communications and services please make sure you are signed up to School Gateway. This system provides parents with the following services:

- Pay for your son / daughters college meals.
- Pay for college trips
- Give your consent for your son / daughter to take part in organised activities
- Purchase items such as revision guides, college planners etc.

How to use School Gateway for online payments:

Download the app: If you have a smartphone, please download School Gateway from your app store (Android or iPhone). The app shows the same information as the website PLUS it saves the college money when we send you a text message or visit www.schoolgateway.com

- Select 'NEW USER' Enter your current email address and mobile number (use the same number and email address college hold on record)
- Select the "Send PIN" button
- A PIN will be sent to your mobile phone
- Use this to log into your new School Gateway account each time

Security

- To ensure complete online security your card details are not visible or stored in the School Gateway or college systems
- All card information is processed by Barclaycard

You log in using the email address registered with the college and your PIN.

Please note you will only be able to open an account when you return your completed S11 and other paperwork.

If you have any questions relating to email or contact details, please contact Chantelle Cocker, KS3 Administrator.



CLASS CHARTS



Class Charts is an online system used to keep track of your homework and behaviour at school.

You will be given log in details when you join us in September. We will also send log in details home to your parents or carers so they can monitor your homework, attendance and are also notified every time you receive a green board or a red board.

Green boards are points which you are awarded when you are being praised. Red boards are negative points you are given when you have acted against the cooperative values or have not handed in a piece of homework for example.

You can you also view your timetable.

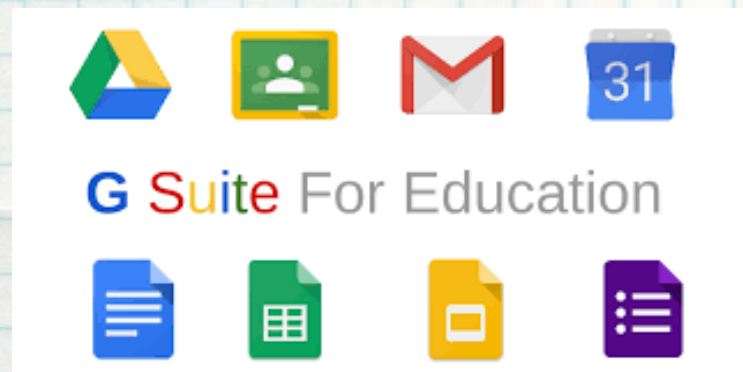
Class Charts can be downloaded as an App and can also be viewed on a computer or tablet/iPad.

GOOGLE SCHOOL



"Google Apps for Education" is one of the best solutions for messaging, collaboration, interactive learning and online classroom by Google.

The Education edition of Google Apps is equipped with all necessary tools for communication, collaboration, documentation, storage, sharing, learning and high security.

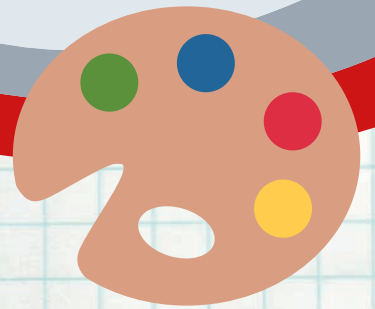
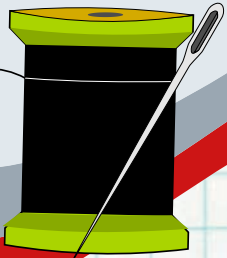


You will be given your log-in details on your first day. You can log in at school, at home and on the go on your phone!



Creative Arts

FACULTY



Performing Arts Medley

<https://youtu.be/UptaiX4mC9I>

Visual arts introductions

<https://youtu.be/lixS-OG7ROE>



RE: Peripatetic Music Lessons



Dear Parent/Carer

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to Tavistock College and to the Creative Arts Faculty. In the Tavistock Learning Community there is fantastic music provision at Primary School level and when students arrive at the College we want to make sure that this provision continues and indeed develops. Learning a musical instrument is a great way to help ease the transition between Primary and Secondary, it brings consistency and can also help to create new friendships. Music tuition has been shown to help other areas of study including listening skills, independent learning, self-discipline and even has links to mathematical and design work.

At the College we offer a number of opportunities for students to share their instrumental skills, at Showcase Evenings, school events and through Jazz Band, to name but a few. A new school can also be a great opportunity to start to learn a new instrument and we would encourage all students to consider taking up this opportunity. If your Son/Daughter currently has music lessons or if they are interested in learning a new instrument we would like to help organise this as soon as possible and match them with the right teacher for them. We offer lessons on a variety of different instruments including: Woodwind/ Brass instruments, Vocals, Piano, Violin, Guitar, Bass Guitar, Drums and Theory. Our Peripatetic staff are all highly qualified and have excellent track records with students who have chosen to take Music Grades. This year many of our students have been very successful in Graded exams including some at Grade 8 level. Last year students used their LAMDA examinations (by gaining UCAS points) to access University courses (please see separate letter for LAMDA).

Lessons are individual usually but some teachers will run duo or small group lessons by negotiation. A 10 week term of individual lessons would cost £130 per student. Students could use the sessions to work towards music qualifications* but they do not have to, they may just want to improve their playing or performance skills, If you would like to secure a place before starting in September, please email j.lambert@tavistockcollege.org with the information below-

Student name/s / Tutor Group / Instrument(s) / Parent name/ Parent contact email

Please also contact me via this email if you have any questions or queries regarding Music tuition.

We look forward to welcoming your son or daughter to our Faculty and College.

Yours Sincerely
Joseph Lambert
Deputy Head Creative Arts Faculty

*separate fees are applicable for entrance to these exams and these will be provided and discussed before commitment to them is made

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Speech and Drama Lessons / LAMDA lessons with Vanessa McCarty



Dear Student and Parents

We offer peripatetic Speech and Drama lessons, within college, with Vanessa McCarty. Students can benefit from small group sessions in a number of ways from building performance/ public speaking confidence, working on specific presentation / interview / performance skills or gaining further speech and communication qualifications. Vanessa is a qualified Drama specialist with over 24 years' experience in schools and working with young people. She is the mother of two and has worked at Shebbear College, Mount Kelly, Plymouth College, Majors, Chelfham Senior School as well as other educational establishments. She has an exceptional record of success with her students achieving highly in L.A.M.D.A (London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art) qualifications - since joining us her students have achieved a 100% pass rate with 98% in the last year gaining the highest levels of Distinction. We believe that her wealth of experience provides an excellent addition to our offer to students, We are acutely aware of how much employers value evidence that a student has the key employability skills of excellent communication, team work and presentation skills.

Lessons see students working in small groups of up to 6. A 10 week term of lessons would cost £110 per student. Students could use the sessions to work towards L.A.M.D.A qualifications*, interview techniques, presentations or college exam or performance pieces. L.A.M.D.A qualifications can increase GCSE point score, contribute towards UCAS points and they are highly valued by Further and Higher education institutes. Last year students used their LAMDA examinations (with some gaining up to 65 UCAS points) to access University courses. In order to minimize any disruption lessons operate on a rotating timetable also working before/after school and during break /lunch. For 6th form students sessions could take place in free/study periods. The initial session will work with a student/s to establish the focus of the sessions.

Places will be allocated on a first come / first served basis with a waiting list as needed. There will be a need to commit to a term of lessons in the first instance. To register for a place please email e.pearson@tavistockcollege.org including your child's name, tutor group and your contact details.

We look forward to working with you.

Yours faithfully,
Mrs Eva Pearson Head of Creative Arts

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Summer READING CHALLENGE



*Seven Weeks – Seven Books – Can our new
Year Sevens do it?*

Less Confident

Readers:-

Lark by A. McGowan
The Light Jar by L. Thompson
The Breadwinner by D. Ellis
Hetty Feather by J. Wilson
Miss Nobody By T. Winter
The Star Outside my Window O. Rauf
Millions by F.C. Boyce
The Unforgotten Coat by F.C. Boyce
The Disconnect by K. David
Booked by K. Alexander
Jelly by J. Cotteril

Confident Readers:-

The Wild Way Home by S. Kirtley
A Boy Called Ocean by C. Higgins
Oh My Gods by Alexandra Sheppard
The Loneliest Girl in the Universe by
Lauren James
Mr Creecher by C Priestly
Ruby in the Smoke by P. Pullman
The Graveyard Book by N. Gaiman
The Weight of Water by S. Crossan
Walls by E. Fischel
Lampie by A. Schaap
Viper's Daughter by M. Paver
Secrets of a Sun King by E. Carroll

Mature Readers :-

Ink by A. Broadway
Bone Talk by C. Gourlay
Girl. Boy. Sea by C. Vick
One Crazy Summer by R. Williams-Gracia
Lenny's Book of Everything by K. Foxlee
Railhead by P. Reeve
Noughts and Crosses by M. Blackman
The Fowl Twins by E. Colfer
The Night Circus by E. Morganstern
Clockwork Angel by Cassandra Clare
Nowhere on Earth by N. Lake



Reading Resources on Line

booktrust.org – The Children's Laureate, Cressida Cowell is Running a 'Summer Creativity Camp' via the Book Trust website. It looks exciting.

audiobooktreasury.com – all free audio books

authorfy.com – free to join and exciting content to encourage personal reading and creative writing

audiobookbox.com – some free audio books

BBC Sounds – all free content

Toppsta.com – excellent weekly lists of online reading events and competitions; reading recommendations; reading activities; author interviews – all free

The National Shelf Service – Librarians' Youtube Channel

Borrowbox website - local library ebooks to borrow for free

Meet Libby - local library app

Amazon Audible – free 30 day membership gives free access to a vast array of the latest audiobooks

Project Gutenberg – free on line copies of the classics

firststory.org.uk – creative writing charity website offers lots of engaging content for reading and writing

thereadingagency.org.uk – Silly Squad Summer Reading Scheme; resources and reading lists

Dear Parents and Carers,

TCC - Year 6 Transition Book Gifts and Summer Reading Scheme

In the next few days we will be delivering some amazing personal reading books to your child's primary school. Every Year 6 student, who will be coming to Tavistock College in September, will receive a book gift: a brand new book to get them started with a summer of reading. It is a gift from the Tavistock College Year 7 Team and the school's charitable board of trustees, as part of our commitment to providing the best transition experience for your child. At Tavistock College we sincerely believe that reading is synonymous with learning – quite simply, reading is thinking. And without a strong personal reading habit, students' may not achieve as highly as they should. Reading is also a master skill that helps students unlock the whole secondary curriculum.

A recent study by The National Literacy Trust found that students who have their own book are six times more likely to read above the level expected for their age and nearly three times more likely to enjoy reading. We hope that through having a book of their own, students will be more motivated to read daily and keep their personal reading skills strong during the summer break.

To stretch and engage all students, we are also launching the very first Tavistock College 'Big Seven' Summer Reading Challenge, challenging all Year 6 students to read a diverse range of new authors during the seven week summer holiday. Please encourage your child to research the titles and keep going with their personal reading. In September, there will be opportunities to share their reading with their new tutor group during dedicated Literacy Catch Up sessions.

What can parents and carers do to help?

At this point, many children will now be independent readers but family and friends can still provide that all important motivation and make time to talk about books. Talking about reading is a very important tool that assists with memory and working out more complex meanings – in teacher speak we call it 'reciprocal reading'. As close family members, parents and carers are ideally placed for these relaxed chats about reading that can help so much. Please look at the Guided Reading book mark and the Reciprocal Reading Advice Sheet for some suggestions.

Included with this letter are some useful home learning resources:-

- ☐ A 'Big Seven' summer Reading List
- ☐ Parent advice about reciprocal reading and question prompts
- ☐ A guided reading book mark
- ☐ A list of on line resources to support with personal reading at home

If your child is unable to collect the book gift from their school, The BookEnds Book Shop in Tavistock have kindly agreed to be a collection point. The lovely people at Book Ends will also be able to advise you about the 'Big Seven' book list and can easily arrange next day orders if needed. We are very grateful for their help.

We would like to wish you and your family a happy and relaxing summer break, with lots of reading. We are very much looking forward to working with you and your child when they join the college in September.

Best wishes,

Julie Greener, Head of Year 7

The Year 7 Tutor Team

Shirley Young, KS3 Coordinator for English



Tavistock College

Summer

READING CHALLENGE



This e-voucher entitles you to collect a 2020/21 Year 7 Reading Challenge book from the selected range at The Book Stop, Tavistock.

Only 1 selected title per 2020/21 Year 7 student.



We Can't Wait to

SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER

As we were unable to invite you to our normal transition events, this year we opening to Years 7 and 12 only on **Tuesday 8th September**.

This will allow you time to get to know the school site and staff before the Years 8, 9, 10, 11 and 13 start on Wednesday 9th September.



WHAT DO I NEED ON MY FIRST DAY?

Full uniform

A complete pencil case

A water bottle

A Packed lunch / money on your gateway account

A smile



Previous Virtual Transition Editions are available to view on our website

Just in case you need a recap...

THE NEXT FEW PAGES ARE
TAKEN FROM PREVIOUS
VIRTUAL TRANSITION ISSUES
AND CONTAIN KEY
INFORMATION

WHAT DO I NEED FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL?

Part of the summer holiday routine is buying new uniform and school supplies. Tavistock College uniform will differ slightly from your current primary school uniform. The most obvious difference is the school blazer. In many ways the blazer is very useful, with plenty of pockets both inside and out for your smaller items!



A full list of uniform and PE kit can be found on our website –

<http://www.tavistockcollege.org/parents/uniform/>

Stationary supplies–

We ask that all students have the following items in their bag each day –

Pencils

Pens

Highlighter

Colouring pencils

Ruler

Math compass set

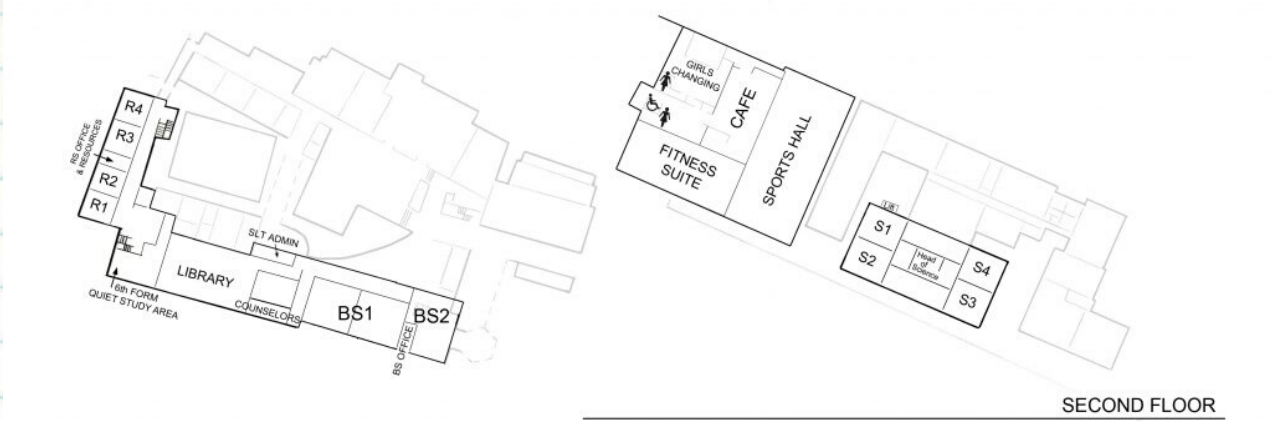
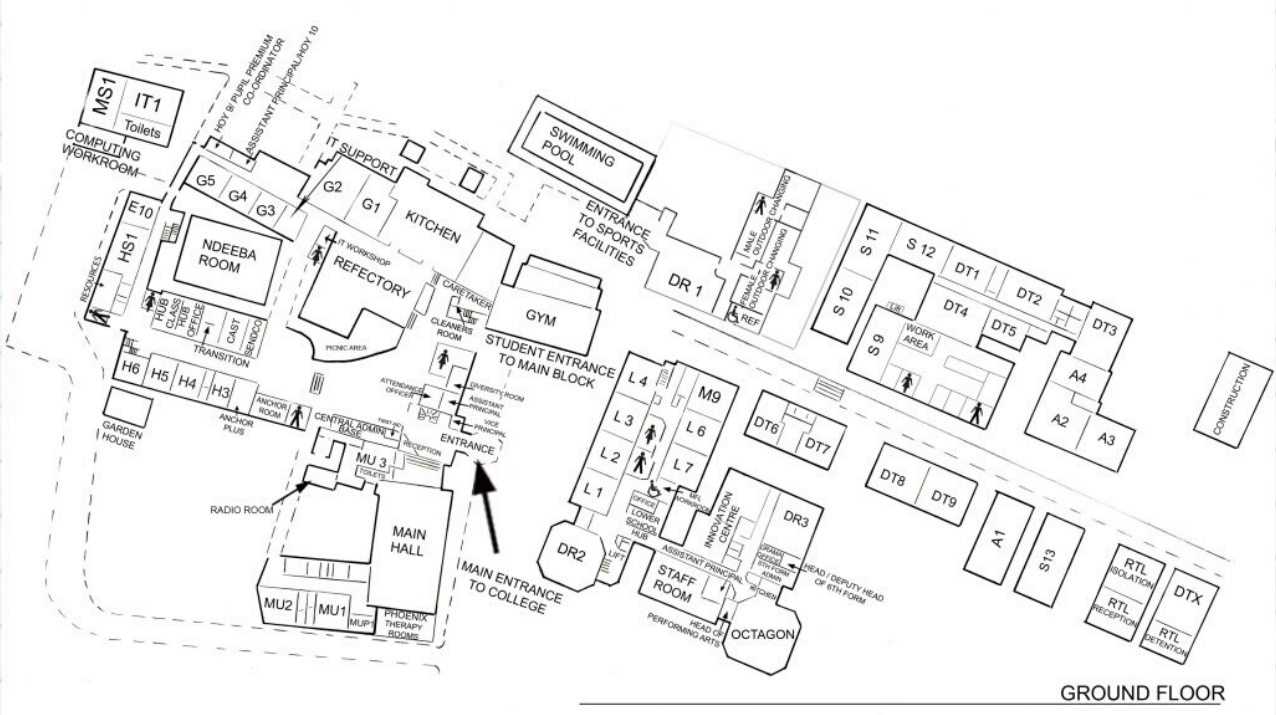
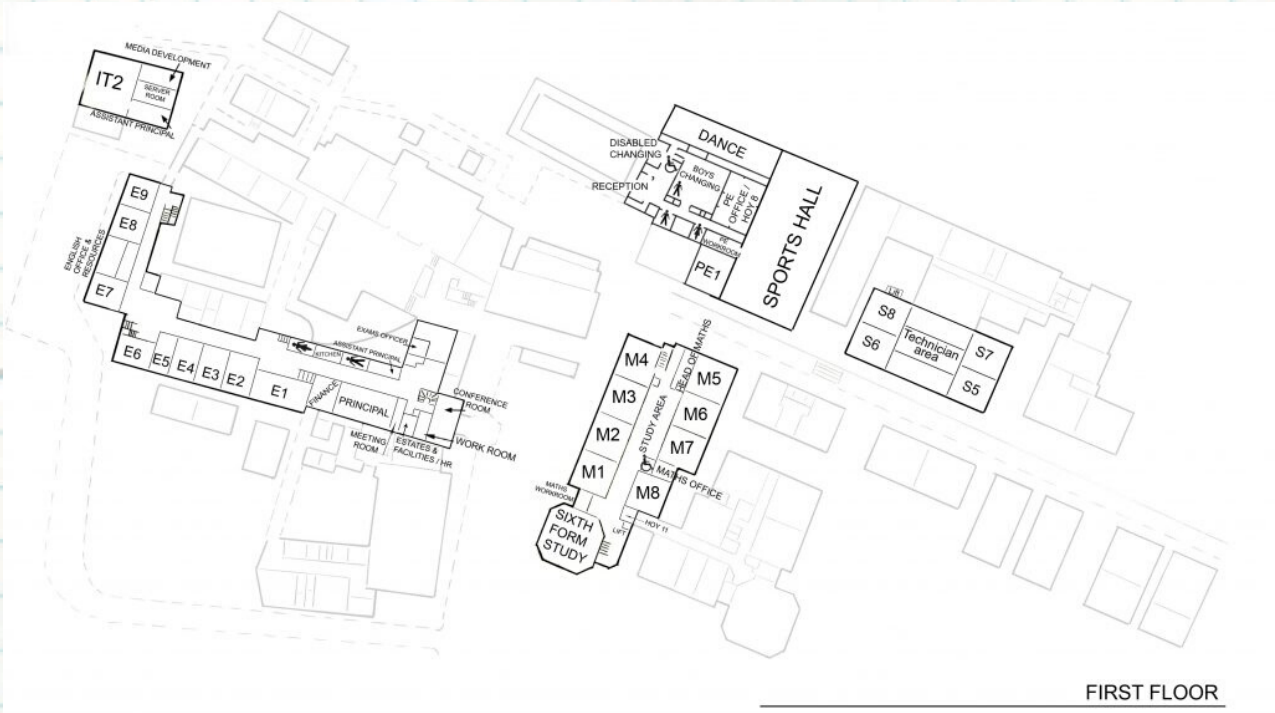
Rubber

Scientific calculator

Water bottle



TAVISTOCK COLLEGE MAP



A TYPICAL TIMETABLE

Tutor time - 8.40am-9.00am
Period 1 - 9.00am -10.00am
Period 2 - 10.00am -11.00am
Recess 1 - 11.00am - 11.30am
Period 3 - 11.30am - 12.30pm
Period 4 - 12.30pm -1.30pm
Recess 2 - 1.30pm - 2.00pm
Period 5 - 2.00 - 3.00pm

We work on a two week timetable. We start on a week A, the following week is a week B, and so on and so on.

Week A					
	1	2	3	4	5
AMon	07X/En2 E1 Miss S A Fox English	07DAR/ScX S2 Mr K J Williams Science	07TX4/Fn DT7 Ms J E Harris DT:Food	07PX1/Pe Mrs H Blackmore PE	07XE/Hi G5 Mrs N Sealey History
ATue	07XE/Re R4 Mrs J M Greener Rel St Ethics	07DAR/ScX S2 Mr K J Williams Science	07X/En2 E1 Miss S A Fox English	07TX4/Fn DT9 Ms J E Harris DT:Food	07X/Ma4 M4 Mrs T M Adams Maths
AWed	07DAR/ScX S2 Mr K J Williams Science	07XE/Sp L7 Mrs K Mora Ogle Spanish	07X/En2 E1 Miss S A Fox English	07XE/DI IT1 Mrs J M Neill Digital Literacy	07X/Ma4 M3 Mrs P K Kendall Maths
AThu	07XE/Ad A1 Mrs K S Bassett Art	07X/En2 E1 Miss S A Fox English	07DAR/ScX S2 Mr K J Williams Science	07PX1/Pe Mr N P Read PE	07XE/Ge G3 Mr S M Moore Geography
AFri	07XE/Pa Dance St Mrs K A Mooney Perf Arts	07X/Ma4 M3 Mrs P K Kendall Maths	07PX1/Pe Mr R T Corkell PE	07X/En2 E1 Miss S A Fox English	07TX4/Fn DT9 Ms J E Harris DT:Food

Week B					
	1	2	3	4	5
BMon	07X/En2 E6 Ms E Herod English	07X/Ma4 M3 Mrs P K Kendall Maths	07DAR/ScX S2 Mr K J Williams Science	07TX4/Fn DT7 Ms J E Harris DT:Food	07XE/Pa Dance St Mrs K A Mooney Perf Arts
BTue	07DAR/ScX S2 Mr K J Williams Science	07XE/SI R2 Mrs C E Raeburn Social Studies	07XE/Sp L7 Mrs K Mora Ogle Spanish	07X/En2 E1 Miss S A Fox English	07X/Ma4 M3 Mrs P K Kendall Maths
BWed	07XE/Sp L7 Mrs K Mora Ogle Spanish	07XE/Ad A1 Mrs K S Bassett Art	07X/En2 E1 Miss S A Fox English	07XE/Hi G5 Mrs N Sealey History	07X/Ma4 M3 Mrs P K Kendall Maths
BThu	07X/Ma4 M3 Mrs P K Kendall Maths	07XE/Hi G5 Mrs N Sealey History	07XE/Sp L7 Mrs K Mora Ogle Spanish	07XE/Ge G3 Mr S M Moore Geography	07XE/Re R4 Mrs J M Greener Rel St Ethics
BFri	07XE/Pa Dance St Mrs K A Mooney Perf Arts	07XE/Ge G3 Mr S M Moore Geography	07XE/Sp L7 Mrs K Mora Ogle Spanish	07PX1/Pe Mr N P Read PE	07X/Ma4 M4 Mrs T M Adams Maths

Virtual Tour and Q&As



Tour of the School with Mr Forster



<https://youtu.be/JjDY6wTDjpA>

Q&As with Mrs Jones, Principal and Mr Forster, Vice Principal



<https://youtu.be/gjWvqu1TGFo>

Introduction from Mrs Greener, Head of Year 7



<https://youtu.be/pcM7JkuibmE>

Links can also be found on our website