



Hurstmere School

'Believe and Achieve'
'Be The Best That You Can Be'

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

As we strive for every one of our boys to 'Believe and Achieve' and be the best that they can be, I am writing to ask for your support in ensuring that every student comes to school fully equipped and prepared for learning. You will no doubt appreciate that without a pen, an exercise book, or a completed homework, any student faces challenges in their organisation, engagement and understanding before the lesson has even started. Indeed, this is why our Prospectus highlights that 'All Hurstmere students must have a **"full pencil case"** and all **"required equipment for lessons"**'.

Our current Curriculum Policy further emphasises the value of good organisation and an encouragement to take pride in academic work: 'Our pupils recognise the importance of building a record of success', and 'The school asks that parents support their children by talking to them about their learning on a regular basis and **looking at their books**'.

As we continue to provide well organised, fully accessible and high-impact learning for all of our boys, we kindly ask for our students and their parents to share in fulfilling this responsibility by ensuring that essential equipment is present *every* lesson. We expect each student to arrive at school with the correct books for the day, and a pencil-case containing:

- at least two pens (black/blue) and at least one green pen (for correcting work)
- at least two pencils
- a rubber
- a sharpener
- a ruler
- a protractor
- a compass
- at least one highlighter
- a calculator
- a glue stick
- any other subject-specific stationery

We recommend that you check your son has packed his bag appropriately for each school day; checking his timetable and any set homework. If you are aware of any barriers to your son having all of the required equipment, please do reach out to your son's Form Tutor, in the first instance.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "MCGoodwin", enclosed within a thin black rectangular border.

Dr M Goodwin
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