



# Lord Grey Academy

Aspire, Learn, Achieve

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## ARE YOU SECONDARY READY?



The study habits and routines we expect from you.

## What can you expect from Lord Grey?

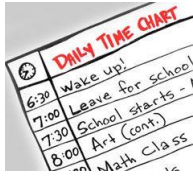
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When you come to Lord Grey, you can expect a safe and calm environment, where everyone is shown respect and treated as equals. Not only will you be provided with opportunities to develop important skills in lessons, our range of extra-curricular activities will also ensure that you can enhance your learning and practise existing skills that you love. We want you to be happy at Lord Grey and feel that you are being both supported and challenged in your learning. We want you to thrive and achieve the very best that you can, in order to make your aspirations a reality.



# What do we expect from you?

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## Personal Organisation

By the time you reach Year 7, we would expect you to take responsibility for making sure that you arrive to school on time, with the right equipment for your lessons, ready to learn. It is your responsibility to ensure you are correctly prepared for your day ahead.



## Reading

By the time you reach Year 7, we would hope you have a love of reading! We want you to be excited about reading and we hope that you are reading everyday for at least 20 minutes. Perhaps you enjoy reading magazines or comics, fiction or non-fiction, but we would expect that you have tried to read a variety of different material before you come to Lord Grey.



## Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar

By the time you reach Year 7, we would expect you to know how to spell a variety of words correctly. For some of you, this may be long, complicated words and for others, this may be short, simple words. We would also expect you to use punctuation accurately, particularly full stops, commas and capital letters. For some of you, you may be very good at using semi colons, quotation marks and exclamation marks! Punctuation is very important in helping to make the meaning of your sentences clear.



## Numbers

By the time you reach Year 7, we would expect you to understand how numbers are everywhere and that an understanding of numbers is very important. We would expect you to understand time and practising telling the time on an analogue clock would be very useful. We would also expect you to recognise shapes and to be familiar with the words: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We would hope that many of you have practised how to use these terms and feel confident in using numbers in lots of different ways.

## Homework

By the time you reach Year 7, we would expect you to understand that homework will be demanded of you and that dedicated time is required to complete your homework, whether this is at home, in your bedroom or the dining room table, or working at school in the library, in a classroom or at Lord Grey's Homework Club. Homework is important for practising new skills and remembering lots of the new information you will learn at Lord Grey.



## Reliability

By the time you reach Year 7, we would expect you to reliably attend school every day, on time, with the right equipment, ready to learn. We expect you to try your very best everyday and complete your homework to the deadlines set.



## Sticking with it!

By the time you reach Year 7, we would hope that you have experienced challenging work before and understand that it's ok if you find work difficult. At Lord Grey, you will be set work that you may need to really think about and perhaps you won't get the right answer the first time, but persevering and not giving up is a really important life skill.

**DON'T GIVE UP!**

# What do we expect from you?

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## Neatness

By the time you reach Year 7, we would expect you to take pride in your work and want to show your teachers how much you value your learning. We expect your handwriting to be legible with titles and dates underlined. By taking time over the completion of your work, this shows your teachers that you have thought about the content and have not rushed through your tasks.



## Routines

By the time you reach Year 7, we would expect you to understand how important it is to establish daily routines, to understand your timetable and ensure you understand the routines of the classroom. We expect you to enter the classroom sensibly, sit in your specified seat and be ready to promptly learn.



## In Class Habits

By the time you reach Year 7, we would expect you to know how to behave in lessons. We would expect you to listen to instructions, respect other people, their property and the environment and to do as asked on the first asking. We would also expect that you take an active part in the learning through engaging with the activities set by the teacher and always doing your very best. A "can-do" attitude is very important in secondary school.



## Independent Study Habits

By the time you reach Year 7, we would expect you to understand that further learning can take place outside of the classroom. We would expect you to use the library and the internet to develop your own understanding of a topic. Finding time outside of school to enhance your learning is very important in fully developing your understanding.



## Verbal

By the time you reach Year 7, we would expect you to share your ideas and opinions in class discussions and feel confident to answer questions, if asked to do so by your teachers or peers. We value everyone's ideas, so make sure they can be heard!



## Equipment

By the time you reach Year 7, we would expect you to arrive to school fully prepared for your lessons for the day. This will include a pencil case (full of the required stationery), a reading book, your planner, and your campus card. On certain days, you will also be required to bring in your PE kit.



## Appreciating Differences and Being Tolerant

By the time you reach Year 7, we would expect you to understand that the world is made up of lots of different people and it is our differences that make us unique and special. At Lord Grey, you will mix with lots of students who may have different opinions and ideas to you, they may come from a different culture to you and they may have different religious beliefs to you. It is important that we celebrate our differences and show respect to our peers to ensure Lord Grey is a happy, peaceful place, where everyone feels comfortable to be themselves.



## Getting on with Others

By the time you reach Year 7, we would expect you to understand just how important it is to build friendships and help other people. We would expect you to know how to be polite to both your peers and your teachers, how to listen to other people and how to deal with your emotions in the best way, should you ever feel angry or upset. Getting on with other people is really important in making Lord Grey a school where young people want to learn and look forward to attending everyday.