

Tarporley High School & Sixth Form College

Starting at Tarporley Student Booklet



2026 - 2027

STARTING AT TARPORLEY – SEPTEMBER 2026



We are delighted to welcome you to Tarporley High School! Although you may be nervous about the transition to a new school, we hope that your visit will go some way to reassure you.

In the meantime, please find enclosed some further information about Tarporley High School, which we hope will answer some of the questions that you may have.



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Key Information

Student Services/Attendance Office (both are in the corridor of the student entrance)

If you are feeling ill at school, please **DO NOT** call home, please come to Student Services and we will ring home on your behalf. If you are being collected after Student Services have contacted your Parent/Carer, you must sign out before leaving.

Student Services can help with most things and if not then we will direct your question/request to the correct person!

Lockers

Ask parents to email school (contact@tarporleyhigh.co.uk), with your name, DOB & tutor. There is a £5 refundable deposit for the key and a £20 annual charge (renewed & chargeable each year). You will be allocated a locker & key on receipt of payment, please come to Student Services to collect your key.

Purchased Tickets (items paid for on Scopay)

These can be collected from Student Services at break/lunch time.

Passwords

These can be changed at lunch/break at Student Services or alternatively by your tutor or IT teacher.

Medical/Other Appointments

All students must sign out at the **Attendance Office and must be collected by an adult if you are leaving the school site.** You must not walk out of school and/or walk up the High Street unaccompanied.

TASK:

Starting at Tarporley High School

How Do You Feel?

Choose two different colours. Highlight phrases that you are looking forward to in one colour and use a different colour to highlight those you are worried about. You can use the additional space at the bottom of the page to add other things you might be looking forward to or be worried about that aren't included in the list.

Making new friends	Learning a new timetable
Lunch Time	Homework
Having a different uniform	Being on time
Finding my way around	Break times
Getting to school	Learning new subjects
Meeting others my own age	Joining clubs
Being with friends	School rules
Meeting my new teachers	Meeting my Form Tutor
Getting changed for P. E	Being able to do the work

School Expectations at Tarporley High School

Think about how you are expected to behave in High School and the reasons for this. Fill in the chart below. If you cannot think of some reasons, there are some suggestions on the next page.

School Expectations	Positive Results	Negative Results
Attend classes		
Work hard		
Produce work on time		
Co-operate with others – Be nice!		
Doing well and getting a good qualification and a good recommendation from school		

Positive Statements	Negative Statements
<p>People will think I am productive. Other pupils may ask for my help.</p>	<p>Teachers and family will be concerned that I am not achieving my full potential.</p>
<p>People will think I am conscientious, I will feel proud of my hard work.</p>	<p>Teachers will be concerned about me disrupting the group and stopping other pupils from working. People who disrupt others are often asked to leave the class. Other pupils don't like being disrupted.</p>
<p>I am likely to get an interesting and rewarding job. I will feel happy.</p>	<p>My teachers and family will worry about me. My teachers will not be able to do their job of teaching and helping me.</p>
<p>People will think I'm reliable, I will feel good.</p>	<p>I am unlikely to get a good qualification and so will have less employment choices available for me. I may not earn enough money to pursue my interests.</p>
<p>People will think I am good to work with.</p>	<p>My teachers and family will worry about me. They may feel I am not taking full responsibility for my work and not asking for help when it is needed.</p>

My New High School

In this section you can share your thoughts and feelings about your transition to Tarporley High School. If you have questions about starting now is the time to ask them!

Questions I want to ask!

You may have your own questions that you want to ask during your visit. Make a list of these below and write down the answer when you have the information you need.

My Question	Answer

Getting there and back

If you are getting a school bus, then you need to make sure that you always have your bus pass with you (or money as appropriate). Please ensure you arrive at the bus stop early so that you do not miss the bus. During the first few weeks at school, sit at the front of the bus so that you can clearly see when you need to get off, or the bus driver can tell you. **Students must only travel on the bus for which they have been issued a bus pass.** The number on the pass corresponds with the number displayed on the front window of the bus, so you will know that you are on the correct bus. If you wish to go to a friend's house who does not travel on the same route, **you are not allowed to change buses.** It is your parent's responsibility in this instance to make alternative travel arrangements.

During the first two weeks at Tarporley, all Year 7 students will finish their last lesson 10 minutes early, at 3:05pm, and will be escorted to the buses by their class teacher so that you will have more time to find your bus and get settled before the rest of the school arrives. There will be lots of staff around to help, so if you are unsure, please ask a teacher.

If you experience any problems with the school bus, please report this to your form tutor in the first instance. Your tutor will be able to give you some advice or report the problem to a senior member of staff.

Organising Books and Equipment

School Uniform

Please make sure that you have **all** items of school uniform, including your PE kit, **clearly labelled** with your name. This will help uniform to be returned to you if it is handed in to 'Lost Property', which is kept in Student Services. If an item of yours gets lost or misplaced, please ask at Student Services. The staff in Reception and Student Services will be there to help.

MOBILE PHONE DEVICES:

Never **USED, SEEN OR HEARD**



We follow the government's recommended policy that mobile devices are **never used, seen or heard from arrival on site until 3.15pm**. This extends to use of earbuds and excessive use of smart watches, both of which indicate a device is being used.

If you have a valid reason to contact home, please go to Student Services who will support you. There is a student telephone in Student Services, for you to call home.

If you are in a moment of distress, seek support from your form tutor, head of year or a member of staff that you trust.

Government guidelines are due to change – once a change is confirmed, we will advise.

The School Day

The school day starts at **8:50am** and finishes at **3:15pm**, except for Wednesday when school lessons finish at **2:15pm** and students have the option of different enrichment activities or can go home.

Start	End	Y8, 9, 10	Y7, 11, 6th
8.45		Movement bell	Movement bell
8:50	9:50	Period 1	Period 1
9:50	10:50	Period 2	Period 2
10:50	11:10	Tutor	Break
11:10	11:30	Break	Tutor
11:30	12:30	Period 3	Period 3
12:30	13:05	Period 4a	lunch
13:05	13:40	lunch	Period 4
13:40	14:15	Period 4b	
14:15	15:15	Period 5 *	Period 5 *

** Enrichment on Wednesdays*

Timetable

You will be issued with a timetable on your first day at school. We have a two-week timetable, so it is important to keep track of which week it is. If we finish on Week 1 prior to a holiday, then we will return on Week 2.

The timetable informs you which subject is being taught, the lesson time, and the room number. The room number starts with a letter, this tells you which block it is in, followed by a number 1 or 2, which indicates which floor the room is on. Please ask a member of staff if you are lost or unsure what lesson you should be in, there are always people around to help. If you need a replacement timetable these can be obtained from Student Services.

Homework Timetable

You will be issued with a homework timetable which you will be asked to copy into your planner. This timetable is given as a guide as to when homework will be set. Students should write all their homework down into their planner, with time frames as to when work is due. If no homework is set, then this should also be recorded.

Colour Coding Subjects

When you receive your new timetable, you may find it helpful to list your subjects, teacher and room, and colour code each subject.

Subject	Teacher	Room	Colour
English	Miss Smith	C1	Blue
Maths	Mrs Fowler	B2	Red
Science	Mrs West	A1	Yellow
History	Mr Worth	C3	White
Geography	Mr Hartley	C2	Orange
RE	Mr Smith	R2	Purple
Technology	Mr Brown	T4	Brown
Music	Miss Sweet	M2	Green
P.E	Mr Howarth	Sports Hall	Pink

Lesson Equipment List

Equipment lists can be used as a reminder to ensure that you have the correct equipment for each lesson.

At the end of the lesson, you need to pack your bag, check you have all your belongings before moving to your next lesson.

Homework Success

You will be asked to complete homework at Tarporley High School. You will be provided with a homework timetable showing the days you will receive homework for specific subjects. When a teacher gives you the homework, ask them to write it in your homework planner for you, or at least check that you have recorded it properly. Make sure you know when it needs to be handed in.

Break Time

Students have 20-minute break after Period 2 (Years 7 and 11) or after tutor time (Years 8, 9 and 10). During this time students can go to the dining room or spend time outside. If you are involved in clubs and activities at lunchtime, you can buy yourself something to eat for later during your break. You are permitted to take food out of the dining room as long as you ensure that all rubbish is put in the bin.

Lunchtime

Students queue up outside the dining room and are supervised by their subject teachers and the mid-day assistants. Any students wishing to eat their lunch in the dining room (including those who have brought in sandwiches from home) need to queue up in this way.

(Example Menus Follow)

School Planner

The school planner is one of our key forms of home-school communication. Students are required to have their planners with them in every lesson as they are used to record your timetable, your homework and assessment results. Planners are actively used within the assessment cycle, so it is very important that you look after them and treat them with respect. School planners should not have graffiti on them, nor have any pages ripped out. If they are treated in this way, then you may be asked to buy a new one.

Teachers will write notes in planners if they wish to inform your parents about something – whether this is for praise or to let them know that homework has not been completed etc. Likewise, if your parent/carer needs to send a message to your form tutor, or one of your subject teachers, they can write a comment on the appropriate day.

Lunchtime clubs and Activities

There are a number of clubs and activities which take place at lunchtimes. These are advertised in tutor bases and via student notices each day. Most practices for sports activities/fixtures, dance, drama etc take place after school. You may need to ask your parent/carer to arrange for you to be collected after school once an event has finished.

Student Services

If you feel unwell or need first aid, you should report to Student Services. If it is necessary for you to go home, a member of staff will contact a parent or guardian listed on our system, and they will be required to collect you from school.

If you need to call home, a student phone is available in Student Services. Students must not contact parents or guardians directly.

WEEK 1 MENU

GRAZE

MONDAY

Traditional To Go

Chicken Arrabbiata Pasta with Garlic Bread Twists

Two Cheese Pasta with Garlic Bread Twists

Dough to Go Range

Our daily range of pizzas and paninis are prepared fresh each morning available with a variety of fillings.

Daily Deli

Variety of filled,
Jacket Potatoes
Sandwiches
Wraps & Baguettes

TUESDAY

Tex-Mex To Go

Pulled BBQ Chicken loaded Fajita Wedges

Spicy Tomato Mexican Rice with Crispy Onions

Dough to Go Range

Our daily range of pizzas and paninis are prepared fresh each morning available with a variety of fillings.

Daily Deli

Variety of filled,
Jacket Potatoes
Sandwiches
Wraps & Baguettes

WEDNESDAY

Signature Wrap Station

Chicken Shawarma Wrap with Pickled Slaw

Creamy Garlic & Herb Pasta with Garlic Bread

Dough to Go Range

Our daily range of pizzas and paninis are prepared fresh each morning available with a variety of fillings.

Daily Deli

Variety of filled,
Jacket Potatoes
Sandwiches
Wraps & Baguettes

THURSDAY

World Flavours To Go

Mild Chicken Madras Curry & Turmeric Rice

Mild Vegetable Madras Curry & Turmeric Rice

Dough to Go Range

Our daily range of pizzas and paninis are prepared fresh each morning available with a variety of fillings.

Daily Deli

Variety of filled,
Jacket Potatoes
Sandwiches
Wraps & Baguettes

FRIDAY

Traditional To Go

Battered Fish Fillet, Chips & Sauce of Choice

Sausage, Chips & Sauce of Choice

Cheese & Onion Slice, Chips & Sauce of Choice

Dough to Go Range

Our daily range of pizzas and paninis are prepared fresh each morning available with a variety of fillings.

Daily Deli

Variety of filled, Jacket Potatoes
Sandwiches, Wraps & Baguettes

WEEK 2 MENU

GRAZE

MONDAY

World Flavours To Go

Piri Piri Chicken with Spicy Tomato Rice

Vegetable, Bean & Cheese Open Burrito Bowl

Dough to Go Range

Our daily range of pizzas and paninis are prepared fresh each morning available with a variety of fillings.

Daily Deli

Variety of filled,
Jacket Potatoes
Sandwiches
Wraps & Baguettes

TUESDAY

Traditional To Go

Chinese Chili Chicken Noodle Pot

Teriyaki Vegetable Noodle Pot

Dough to Go Range

Our daily range of pizzas and paninis are prepared fresh each morning available with a variety of fillings.

Daily Deli

Variety of filled,
Jacket Potatoes
Sandwiches
Wraps & Baguettes

WEDNESDAY

Signature Wrap Station

Garlic & Herb Chicken Flatbread with Salad

Spiced Chickpea & Potato Flatbread with Salad

Dough to Go Range

Our daily range of pizzas and paninis are prepared fresh each morning available with a variety of fillings.

Daily Deli

Variety of filled,
Jacket Potatoes
Sandwiches
Wraps & Baguettes

THURSDAY

World Flavours To Go

Chicken Alfredo Pasta with Garlic Bread

Veggie Lasagne with Garlic Bread

Dough to Go Range

Our daily range of pizzas and paninis are prepared fresh each morning available with a variety of fillings.

Daily Deli

Variety of filled,
Jacket Potatoes
Sandwiches
Wraps & Baguettes

FRIDAY

Traditional To Go

Battered Fish Fillet, Chips & Sauce of Choice

Sausage, Chips & Sauce of Choice

Cheese & Onion Slice, Chips & Sauce of Choice

Dough to Go Range

Our daily range of pizzas and paninis are prepared fresh each morning available with a variety of fillings.

Daily Deli

Variety of filled, Jacket Potatoes
Sandwiches, Wraps & Baguettes

WEEK 3 MENU

GRAZE

MONDAY

Pan Asian To Go

Beef Chilli Burrito

Vegetable Chilli Burrito

Dough to Go Range

Our daily range of pizzas and paninis are prepared fresh each morning available with a variety of fillings.

Daily Deli

Variety of filled,
Jacket Potatoes
Sandwiches
Wraps & Baguettes

TUESDAY

Italian To Go

Cheesy Buffalo Chicken Pasta Bowl

Vegan Pasta Bolognese with Garlic Bread

Dough to Go Range

Our daily range of pizzas and paninis are prepared fresh each morning available with a variety of fillings.

Daily Deli

Variety of filled,
Jacket Potatoes
Sandwiches
Wraps & Baguettes

WEDNESDAY

Signature Wrap Station

Garlic & Herb Chicken Flatbread with Salad

Spiced Chickpea & Potato Flatbread with Salad

Dough to Go Range

Our daily range of pizzas and paninis are prepared fresh each morning available with a variety of fillings.

Daily Deli

Variety of filled,
Jacket Potatoes
Sandwiches
Wraps & Baguettes

THURSDAY

Indian To Go

Chicken Katsu Curry & Rice

Vegetable Spring Rolls & Rice

Dough to Go Range

Our daily range of pizzas and paninis are prepared fresh each morning available with a variety of fillings.

Daily Deli

Variety of filled,
Jacket Potatoes
Sandwiches
Wraps & Baguettes

FRIDAY

Traditional To Go

Battered Fish Fillet, Chips & Sauce of Choice

Sausage, Chips & Sauce of Choice

Cheese & Onion Slice, Chips & Sauce of Choice

Dough to Go Range

Our daily range of pizzas and paninis are prepared fresh each morning available with a variety of fillings.

Daily Deli

Variety of filled, Jacket Potatoes
Sandwiches, Wraps & Baguettes

EduLink One School App

What information can EduLink provide me with?

- **Homework** - This will give you access to the homework set.
- **Documents** - You can view your reports.
- **Catering** – This will show you the catering purchases you have made and the amount of credit on the account. Unfortunately, balances cannot be topped up here, you will need to ask your parent(s) / carer(s) to access the school payment website.
- **Timetable** – Your lesson timetable will be available.
- **Contacts** - This screen will show you the contact information we have for your family.
- **Calendar** - Displays school key dates.

How can I access EduLink One?

EduLink One is a school information platform that can be accessed on any device - PC, laptop, tablet or mobile device, via web browser or the EduLink app. After accessing the system, you will need to login with the school ID which is **Tarporley**, as well as your username and password. The school will provide you with your username and password which will be sent directly to your email address by the Edulink system. ID is: tarporley

EduLink One can be found as follows:

- Website: www.edulinkone.com,
- Mobile Apps: EduLink One is available from Google Play, Amazon App Store and the Apple App Store.

How do I get a log-in for EduLink One?

Your username to access EduLink One will be in the format: p_jbloggs

You will be sent an email allowing you to set your password.

NOTE: This link can only be used once, and it is only valid until 14 days

You will then be able to access EduLink One on the web at

<https://www.edulinkone.com/#!/login?code=tarporley>

You can download the App for your device using the links below:

Android: https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.overnetdata.edulinkone&hl=en_GB

iOS: <https://itunes.apple.com/gb/app/edulink-one/id1188809029?mt=8>

Amazon Fire: <https://www.amazon.co.uk/Overnet-Data-Ltd-EduLink-One/dp/B07K6MP8KG/>

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Tarporley High School are proud of our image and reputation. Wearing your uniform with pride shows your commitment to the school and to giving your personal best.

Your appearance must always be smart and only school uniform clothing can be worn.

In addition to the standard uniform, there are a few things to remember in terms of appearance: We accept that some students may wish to wear make-up, but this should be natural looking (no coloured lipstick or heavy eye make-up or false eyelashes allowed). We do not accept unnatural colours of hair dye or coloured nail varnish, gel nails, acrylic or false nails. Trousers are to be worn at the waist.

If you or your parents/carers are in any doubt about an item of clothing intended for school, please contact the school to speak with a member of the Senior Leadership Team.

- **Polo Shirt** - light blue school branded short-sleeved polo shirt.
- **Jumper** – school branded V-neck jumper.
- **Trousers** - grey, tailored standard school wear only.
- **Shorts** – Summer Term *optional* grey tailored standard school wear only.
- **Skirt** - grey, tartan THS official school skirt. Standard length.
- **Socks** – black, grey or white ankle socks with skirts, black, grey or white ankle socks with trousers; plain design.
- **Tights** – black or grey only.
- **Shoes** - plain black, flat or low heeled suitable for school wear.

Outdoor Clothing – Optional

- **School Coat** - a coat appropriate for school wear, free of large logos.
- **Hat/Scarf** - optional - plain design, navy blue, black or grey. To be worn outdoors in cold weather but not indoors.

Accessories – Optional

- **Hair** - hair bands, slides or clips (navy, black, grey or white) - plain styles, Hair must be natural colouring and colouring styles, no extreme contrasts or patterns.
- **Piercings** - plain small studs in the lobe of the ear. *Facial piercings not permitted.*
- **Rings** – one permitted on each hand.
- **Bracelets/Necklaces** – not permitted.
- **Watches** – an inexpensive watch may be worn.

PE KIT (Essential Items) A THS logo must be visible in lessons on the upper body garment

- Tarporley Polo Shirt or Rugby Shirt.
- All Black Zip Top
- All Black Shorts or Skort or leggings.
- All Black Sports Socks.

PE KIT (Optional Items)

- Tarporley Zip Top.
- Tarporley Shorts or Skort or leggings.
- Tarporley Sports Socks.

Technology

- A plain black or striped apron.

2026 – 2027 SCHOOL UNIFORM



**PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL UNIFORM IS CLEARLY
LABELLED WITH YOUR NAME**

- Items such as badges, attachments or any other ***items not listed as uniform are not uniform.***
- The only exceptions are symbols of charities or school or community attainment.





Tarporley High School Uniform

It is important to wear the right clothes when you start Tarporley High School. You can find photographs of pupils wearing the uniform on the school website, in the school prospectus or you may know someone who already goes to the school who can show you.

List the uniform you need to wear at Tarporley High School. Remember to think about appropriate shoes:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

You will need different clothing for P.E. Make a list of this:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

Make sure that you buy a bag that can hold A4 folders, textbooks, equipment, etc and is comfortable to carry.

Now that you have read all the information can you find the answers to any of the following questions?

Questions About How the School Works	Answer
What time does school start and finish?	
What times are break and lunches?	
What sort of food is sold?	
How much do things cost?	
Where can students go at lunch time?	
Where can students go at break times?	
How much homework do you get?	
What happens if it isn't done?	
Where can I go to do my homework in my free time?	
What happens if I get into trouble?	
Who are the best people to talk to if I am having problems?	

There are many teachers at Tarporley High School, not all of them will teach you, but may be important to you in a different way. As well as being a teacher they may have another job in school. The different names for these jobs are helpful to learn:

Questions About Who's Who?	Answer
Name of your Form Tutor ? What do they do? When do you see them? Where can I find them?	
Name of your Head of Year ? What do they do? When do you see them? Where can I find them?	
Name of the Head Teacher ?	
Name of the Deputy Head ?	
Who else do you need to know? What do they do and when will you see them?	

Questions About the Timetable and Learning Opportunities in School	Answer
How does the timetable work?	
What subjects will I be able to study?	
What facilities does the school have e.g., sports equipment, science laboratories?	
What happens if I find the work hard?	
Is there support in lessons?	
Are there any homework clubs?	
What other clubs are offered?	

Questions About Getting to School	Answer
Where is the school?	
How will I get there?	
How do I use the school bus?	

Questions About School Uniform and Equipment	Answer
What is the school uniform?	
Where can I buy it?	
What P.E kit will I need?	
What kind of bag will I take my school equipment in?	
Is there any other equipment I will need?	

TARPORLEY HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

Tarporley High School benefits from having a 'dual use' library, serving both the students and staff of the high school as well as external members of Cheshire Libraries two afternoons per week. This shared service with Cheshire West and Chester allows our students access to the following services:

- Free inter-library loans (reserve any book from any library in the county and it will be delivered to Tarporley High School free-of-charge).
- Borrow box membership for e-books and audio books.
- Libby membership for over 1000 magazines for all ages.
- News bank for access to digital editions of current newspapers and online access to a large selection of reference and research websites, including Britannica, Ancestry, Oxford Reference and Issues Online.

SCHOOL LIBRARY OPENING TIMES (TERM TIME ONLY)

Monday	9am - 1.30pm
Tuesday	9am – 3.15pm
Wednesday	9am – 2.15pm
Thursday	9am - 1.30pm
Friday	9am – 3.15pm

PUBLIC LIBRARY OPENING TIMES (ALL YEAR ROUND)

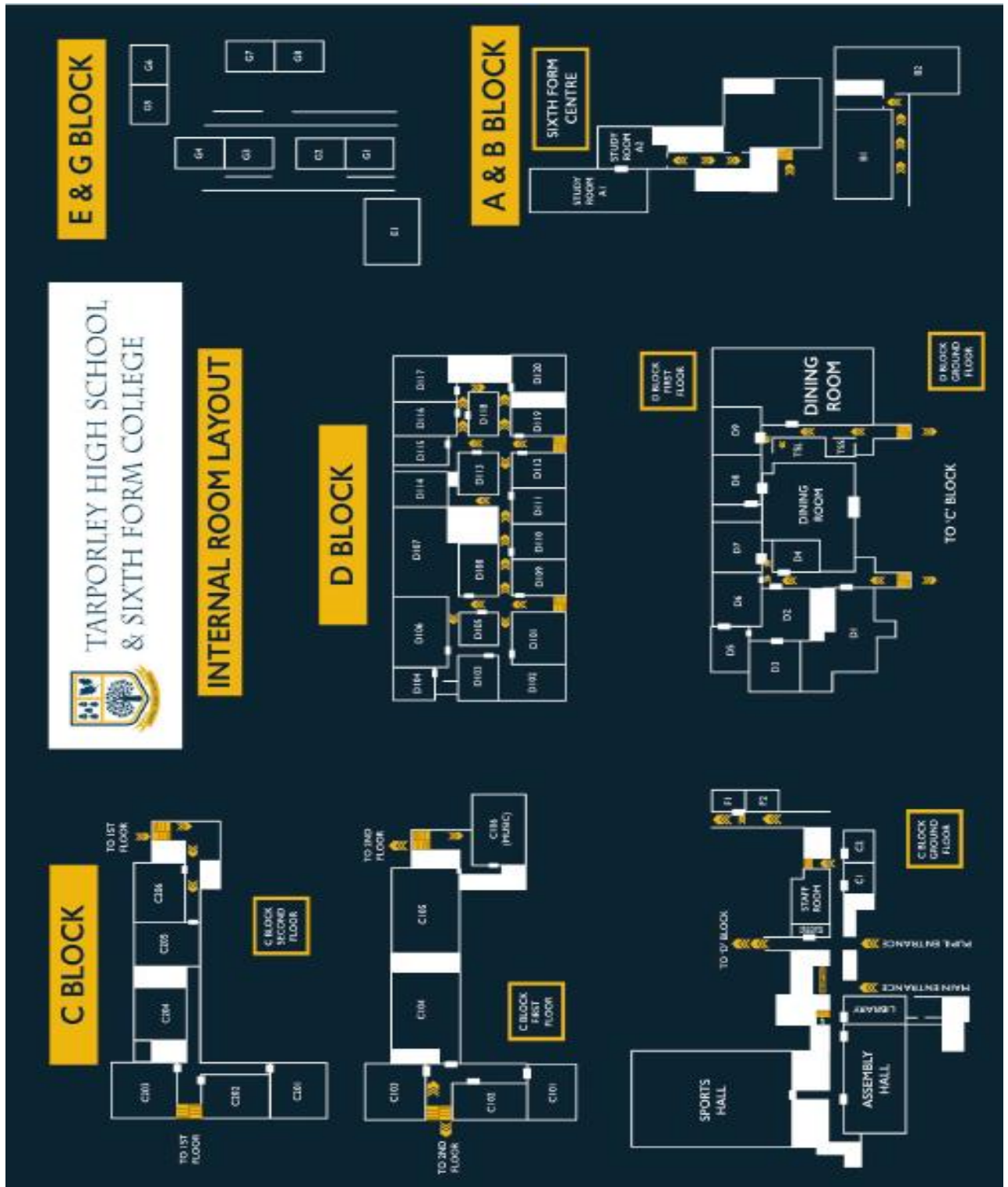
Monday	1.30pm - 7.00pm
Tuesday	Closed
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	1.30pm – 7.00pm
Friday	Closed

Students at Tarporley High School must have a Cheshire Library membership to borrow books or access online resources from our school library, therefore we strongly encourage participation. If you already have a Cheshire Library card membership, then there is no need to register for this service again.

Finding Your Way Around

It can be difficult to find your way around a new school.

Before you visit Tarporley High School use the map below to familiarise yourself with the different areas of the school.



Congratulations!

You are now ready to 'move on' and start at Tarporley High School!

