

# E HALL COMPASS

# **INFORMATION BOOKLET**



# **SUPPORTING YOU WITH YOUR STUDIES**







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## WELCOME TO THE COMPASS DEPARTMENT

The COMPASS department is a very warm and welcoming inclusive space at Castle Hall Academy for students with additional needs.

Castle Hall Academy believes that every student matters, therefore the COMPASS staff work closely with teaching staff to make sure that all lessons meet the needs of all students.



The department has a committed team of nurturing and friendly staff who work hard to support students' needs during the whole school day. Support in the classroom which helps students achieve their full potential by developing confidence and skills to become



independent learners.

Support sessions and interventions are run in the COMPASS department to make learning fun and exciting.

compass also offers a 'safe space' at break and lunchtime - students have the opportunity to relax their mind, chat with friends or complete home learning.

# WE ARE EXCITED TO MEET YOU!

We are very excited to meet you and welcome you to Castle Hall Academy



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Mrs Jackson

SEND Administrator

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# **MEET OUR COMPASS STAFF**

Our staff are looking forward to meeting you and supporting you with your studies.

These are some of the key COMPASS staff who will be working with you.



Miss B Sacha



**Mrs V Oliver** 



Mr I Afzal



Ms P Cox



Miss H Jackson



**Miss J Speight** 



**Mr L Thomasson** 



**Ms J Morris** 



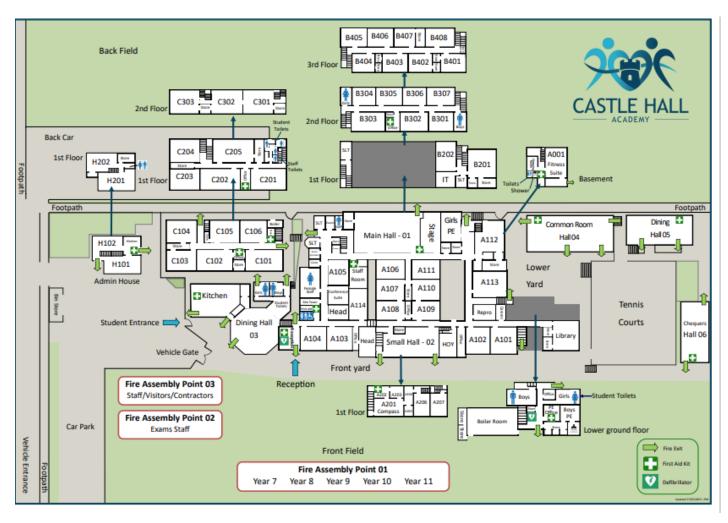
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# **ARRIVING AT THE ACADEMY**





#### You will need to be at the Academy by 8.20 am - The gates will close at 8.25 am



# ROOMS IN THE COMPASS DEPARTMENT

This is a safe and friendly space for our incredible students with SEND. You can come here at break and lunchtime to relax and make friends. Support sessions take place here too and also Mastery for some students.









# **TOILETS**

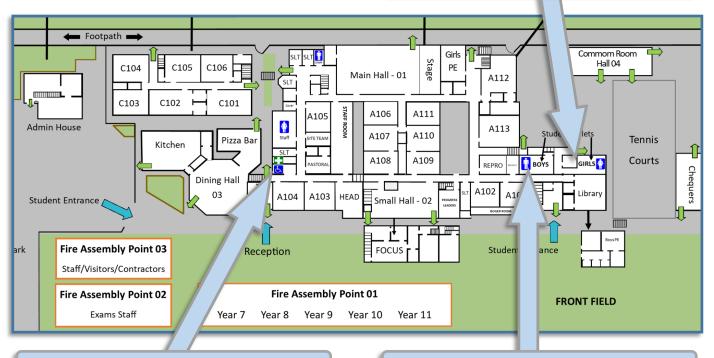
You can only use toilets:

- In the morning before period 1,
- Break time,
- Lunchtime and
- After school.

If you have a medical condition that means you need to go to the toilet frequently then you will be issued with a toilet pass so that you can leave class if you need to go to the toilet.



The girls toilets can be found here



The Accessible toilet can be found here



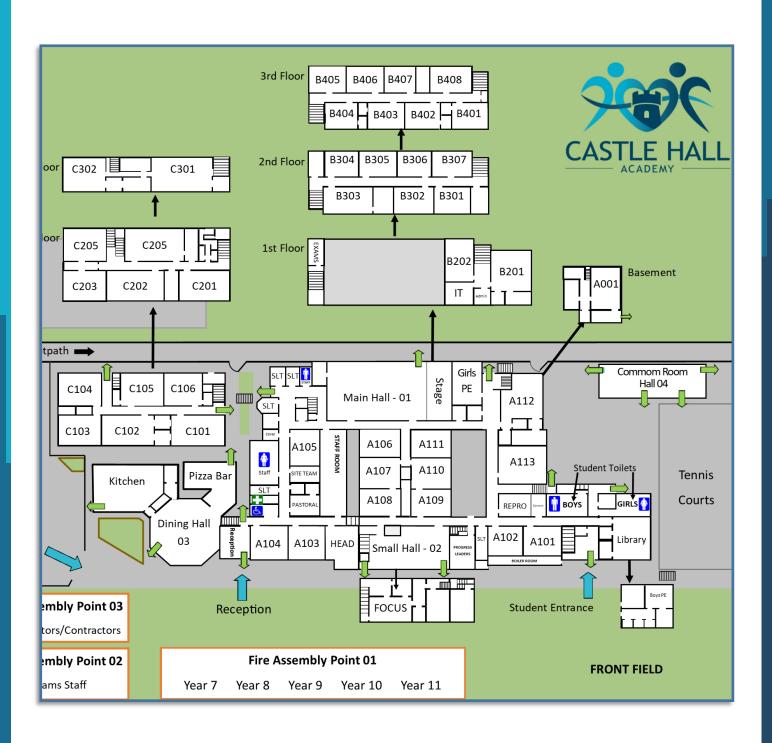
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## **CORRIDORS**

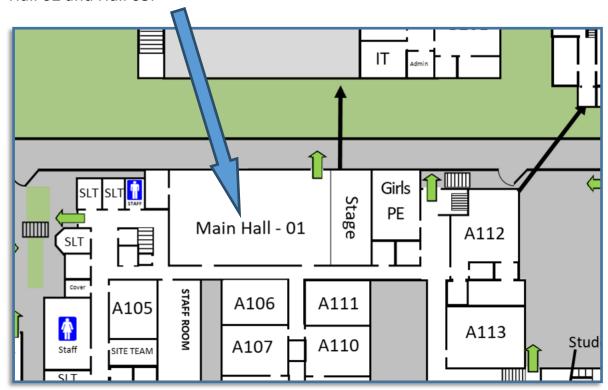


I will follow the arrows on the floor/stairs to show me the one-way system around the Academy.



## **INDOOR SPORTS LESSONS**

The Main Hall 01 is where I will have most of my indoor PE lessons. It is also used for assemblies and performances. Other halls are also used for PE including Hall 02 and Hall 03.

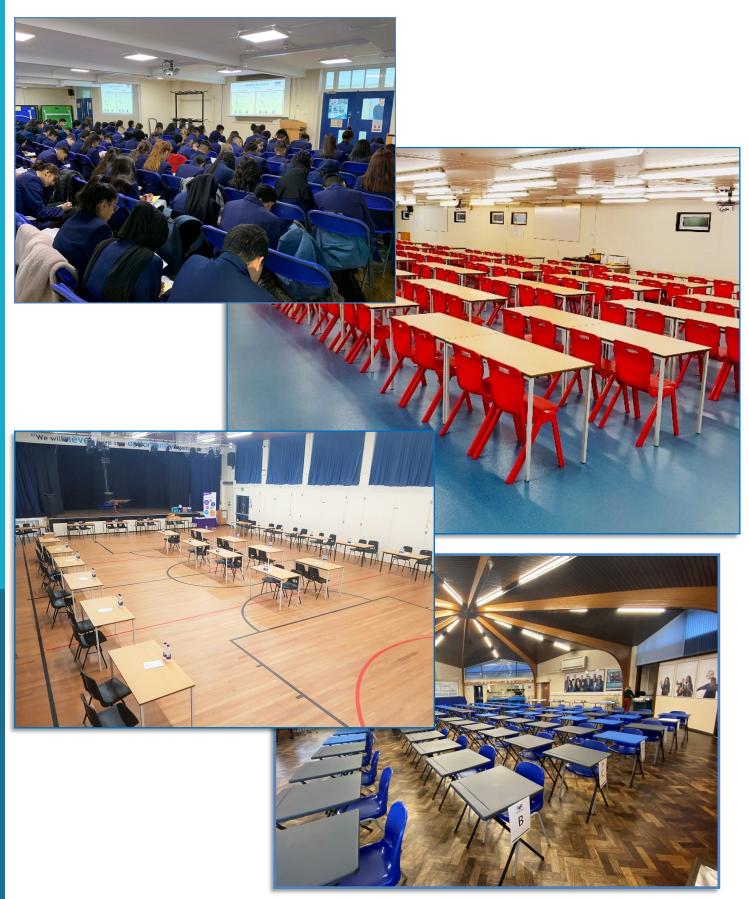




# **MASTERY HALLS**

Rooms in school – Mastery Halls.

The Mastery Hall is where I will have Mastery sessions in a morning.



# **DINING HALL 01 AND DINING HALL 05**

Rooms in school – Dining Hall 01 and Dining Hall 05

These are the two places I can go to at lunch and break to buy a meal or snack.



# **FIRST AID ROOM**

The First Aid room is near the school reception opposite room A104.

If you are feeling unwell or need to take some medication, you will need to let your Head of Year or teacher know.





# My Child At School—MCAS

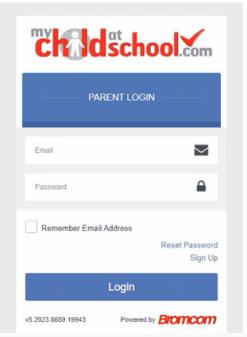
We communicate with parents/carers via My Child At School known as MCAS.

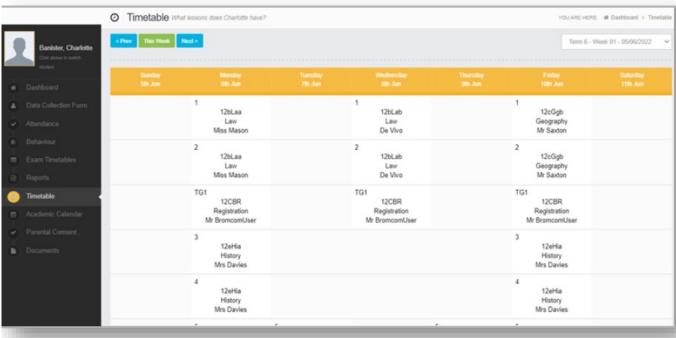
To access My Child At School, from within a web browser type www.mychildatschool.com or access the MCAS mobile phone app

At the parent login screen enter your email address (this email address must be the email address we have on file for your child).

When you are logged in you will have access to the following information: for your child(ren):

- Attendance
- Timetable
- Assessment
- Behaviour
- Announcements / notifications
- Booking Parents' Evening Appointments



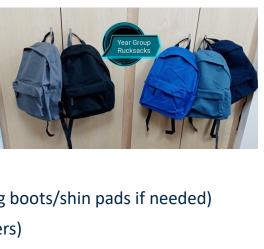


# PREPARING FOR THE DAY

When I prepare for the school day I need to remember:

- My Castle Hall rucksack
- Knowledge Organiser
- AFL Kit
- Homework
- PE kit (you wear this the day you have PE, bring boots/shin pads if needed)
- Snack and lunch (if I'm not having school dinners)
- A smile and positive attitude to learning







## **TIMETABLE**

This is an example of a timetable. Mine will look different.

The timetable includes the class code, your teacher's initials and the classroom number.



| Year 7 and 8                  | Year 9 and 10                 | Year 11                       |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Monday –Thursday:             | Monday –Thursday:             | Monday –Thursday:             |
| <b>Mastery</b> : 8.30-8.55    | Mastery: 8.30-8.55            | Mastery: 8.30-9.15            |
| <b>Reading:</b> 8.55-9.15     | <b>Reading:</b> 8.55-9.15     | <b>Lesson 1</b> : 9.15-10.10  |
| <b>Lesson 1</b> : 9.15-10.10  | <b>Lesson 1</b> : 9.15-10.10  | <b>Lesson 2</b> : 10.10-11.05 |
| <b>BREAK:</b> 10:10-10.25     | <b>Lesson 2</b> : 10.10-11.05 | BREAK: 11:05-11:20            |
| <b>Lesson 2</b> : 10.25-11.20 | BREAK: 11.05-11.20            | <b>Lesson 3</b> : 11.20-12.15 |
| <b>Lesson 3</b> : 11.20-12.15 | <b>Lesson 3</b> : 11.20-12.15 | <b>Lesson 4:</b> 12.15-1.10   |
| <b>LUNCH</b> - 12.15-12.45    | <b>Lesson 4:</b> 12.15-1.10   | LUNCH: 1.10-1.40              |
| <b>Lesson 4:</b> 12.55-1.40   | <b>LUNCH</b> 1.10-1.40        | <b>Lesson 5:</b> 1.40-2.35    |
| <b>Lesson 5:</b> 1.40-2.35    | <b>Lesson 5:</b> 1.40-2.35    | <b>Lesson 6</b> : 2.35-3.30   |
| <b>Lesson 6</b> : 2.35-3.30   | <b>Lesson 6</b> : 2.35-3.30   | Friday:                       |
| Friday:                       | Friday:                       | <b>Lesson 1</b> : 8.30-9.25   |
| <b>Lesson 1</b> : 8.30-9.25   | <b>Lesson 1</b> : 8.30-9.25   | <b>Lesson 2</b> : 9.25-10.20  |
| <b>Lesson 2</b> : 9.25-10.20  | <b>Lesson 2</b> : 9.25-10.20  | <b>Lesson 3</b> : 10.20-11.15 |
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## **START AND END OF LESSONS**

#### At the start of the lesson I will:

- Line up outside the classroom quietly with my AFL kit in my hand until the teacher instructs me to enter.
- Take a seat and take my equipment out of my AFL kit.
- I will complete the quick six (these are six questions linked to the previous lesson).
- Write in the date and title in my book.



#### At the end of the lesson I will:

- Wait for the first bell (this tells me that it's time to tidy up).
- Stand silently behind my chair with my AFL kit in my hand.
- Wait for the classroom teacher to dismiss my row.

#### **PARENTPAY**



ParentPay is a secure online payment system that enables parents/carers to pay for student's meals, trips and replacement equipment online instead of sending money into school. If students are entitled to Free School Meals their lunch account will be credited each day. When a purchase is being made in the Dining Hall or Chequers students will be asked to place their finger on the fingertip scanner, and once successfully verified by the till operator, the student's ParentPay will be debited. When students join in September fingerprints will taken and added to the Castle Hall catering system.

Parents/carers will receive an activation letter to set up their ParentPay account. Letters are issued during the summer term so accounts can be set up before students start in September.

#### WHAT CAN YOU DO WITH PARENTPAY?

- School Dinners View menus and check dietary and nutritional information. You can book and pay in advance or let your child choose in school.
- Trips Pay for school trips through ParentPay. Schools can send out invitations to the relevant parents; who can respond with parental consent and provide medical information.
- Clubs Receive advanced notification of clubs, so you can secure a place, book and pay early.
- Online Shop Whether it's student photographs, uniform or equipment, you can purchase items online. Check item information like size and colour prior to purchase.
- **Communication** Receive important messages from school via email and text.

## THE COVER ROOM

#### What happens if my teacher is absent?

If your teacher is not available for your lesson, then you will need to go to the cover room. This is in Hall 04 which is next to the tennis courts.

You will have set work for your subject which will be supervised by the cover room teacher.



## WHO CAN I SPEAK TO?

#### Who can you speak to if you feel worried or upset?

You can speak to any member of staff in the academy. You can also speak to our safeguarding team who are here to listen, support and help you at any time of the school day.



Mrs Jefferson
Assistant
Headteacher



Miss Ward



Mr Jackson

Director of Pastoral

Support

#### **Heads of Year**











Ms R Clarkson

Mr J Pearson

Mr D Johnson

Mrs L Bonham

**Mrs C Ennis** 





