



July 2015

Dear Parent/Carer

As we move towards the end of the term I would like to take the opportunity to update you on a number of developments at Netherwood.

Travellers

The local authority have approved the construction of a permanent solution to prevent travellers from setting up encampments alongside Dove Valley Way. The work is scheduled to be undertaken over the summer break. The understanding and patience of both students and parents over the past four months has been much appreciated.

Split Break

Having conducted an initial evaluation of the trial period, it has become clear that the benefits for the change have far outweighed any causes for concern. Therefore we shall continue with the split break arrangement for the rest of this terms and into the new school year.

Access to the School Building

Please note that the school will not be open to students until 8.00am. This arrangement is in line with many other secondary schools, but students may of course use the outside areas before this time.

Access to the school building will be via the main entrance at Reception. The Pitt Street gate will continue to be open to students, but they will need to make their way round to reception to enter the building. Staff will meet and greet students in this area to ensure a smooth start to the school day.

Uniform

There have been some changes to our uniform rules in preparation for September 2015, particularly with regard to girl's trousers. The updated rules are attached to this letter and available on our website at <http://www.netherwoodschool.com/information/uniform>.

School Calendar

The school calendar for the next academic year is now available on our website at <http://www.netherwoodschool.com/calendar/>

Extra-curricular timetable

The extra-curricular programme of activities for next academic year will be available before the end of term on our website at <http://www.netherwoodschool.com/extra-curricular-activities/>

449 Bus service

There have been some changes made to the 449 route and the updated schedule is attached to this letter.

Last Day of Term – Friday 17th July 2015

The last day of term will finish at 12.15pm. The first day of the new school year for students is Wednesday 2nd September 2015. Students must be in the school building by 8.20am.

We shall continue to keep you informed of the developments being made at Netherwood. In the meantime, thank you for your continued support and please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone, e-mail or via the 'Contact Us' page on our website at www.netherwoodschool.com.

Thank you for your continued support and I hope you have an enjoyable summer break.

Yours faithfully



Mr T Eastaugh
Principal

**449 Thurnscoe – Great Houghton –
Middlecliffe – Netherwood ALC**

449 – AM

From **Thurnscoe**, Shepherd Lane/Library via Houghton Road, Thurnscoe Lane, Rotherham Road, High Street to **Great Houghton**, Bus Turnaround, High Street, **Little Houghton**, Rotherham Road, Doncaster Road, **Darfield**, Nanny Marr Road, Garden Street, Snape Hill Road, George Street, Stoneyford Road, Station Road, Mitchells Way to **Netherwood ALC**

449 – AM

Thurnscoe, Shepherd Lane/Library	7.30
Great Houghton, High Street/Bus Turnaround	7.38
Middlecliffe, High Street/Post Office	7.44
Darfield, Snape Hill Road/The Willows	7.50
Netherwood ALC	7.57

449 – PM

Returning from **Netherwood ALC** via Mitchells Way, Station Road, Stoneyford Road, George Street, Snape Hill Road, Garden Street, Nanny Marr Road, **Darfield**, Doncaster Road, **Little Houghton**, Rotherham Road, High Street, **Great Houghton**, Bus Turnaround, High Street, Rotherham Road, Thurnscoe Lane, Houghton Road to **Thurnscoe**, Shepherd Lane/Library

449 – PM

Netherwood ALC	14.42
Darfield, Snape Hill Road/Upper Wood Road	14.50
Middlecliffe, Rotherham Road/Post Office	14.53
Great Houghton, High Street/Bus Turnaround	14.58
Thurnscoe, Shepherd Lane/Library	15.05

AM AND PM ROUTES AND TIMETABLES CHANGED FROM TUESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2015

Uniform Expectations

At Netherwood we are all always aiming to be the BEST we can be.
We are committed to the highest standards in all that we do and this includes our uniform expectations.

The table below outlines our expectations.

	Allowed	Not Allowed
School Blazers	Must be worn at all times in the building, but students can ask for permission from their teacher to remove them in a lesson.	Blazers without the Netherwood logo Sleeves rolled up
School ties	Must be worn at all times Clip on ties – clipped at the top of the neck Full ties – neat knot with at least 5 stripes showing	Clip on ties – clipped anywhere other than the top button Full ties – less than 5 stripes showing
School shoes	Plain black shoes or below ankle bone boots only Must be waterproof with leather or faux leather uppers	Any logo, flashing or markings Heeled shoes Boots that cannot be worn under trousers Canvas or cotton pumps Wellington boots (in extreme weather students should bring school shoes to change into)
Shirts	White cotton shirt which is tucked in at all times	White cotton shirts which cannot be tucked in Blouses
Trousers and skirts	Plain black tailored trousers which are straight or boot cut in style Plain black knee length skirts (must have the Netherwood logo)	Leggings – even if they have pockets, zips or are sold as school trousers Jeans or denim items Trousers that are not tailored or skinny in style Skirts that do not carry the Netherwood logo
Jumpers	Plain black v-neck jumpers (must have the Netherwood logo)	Jumpers without a blazer Cardigans Round neck jumpers Jumpers that do not carry the Netherwood logo
Tights	Must be black and worn with a skirt	Over knee socks Patterned tights Tights of an alternative colour

PLEASE NOTE: If you are unsure of any of the above please consult with school prior to purchasing any uniform items