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Welcome to the Year 7 Parent Information Meeting 16 September 2026

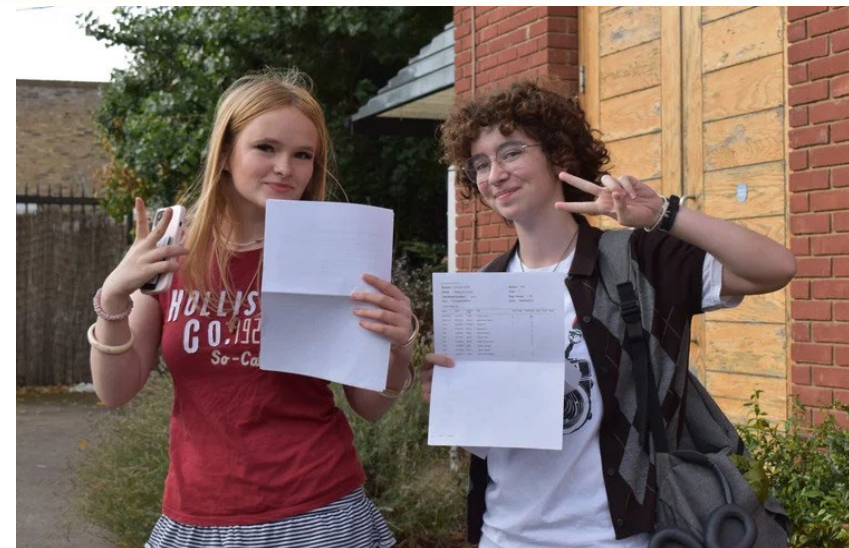


This presentation will be available on the Letters to Parents page of our website from tomorrow.

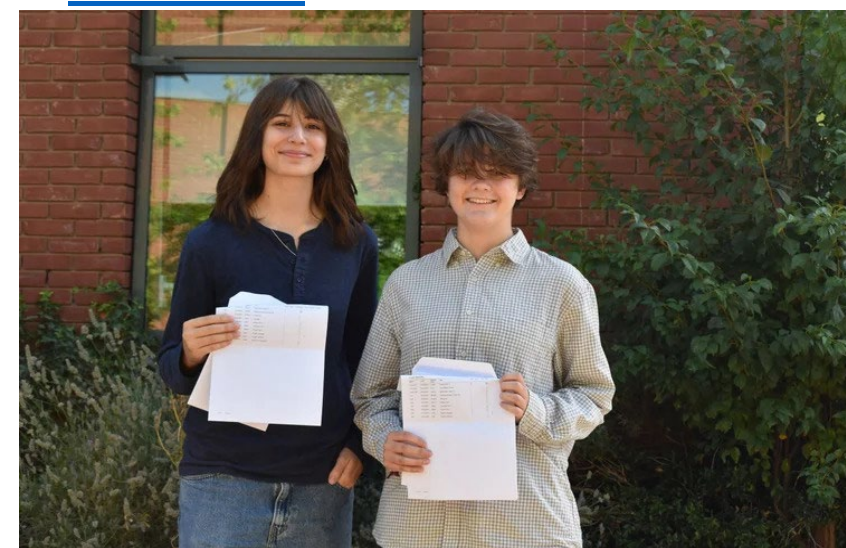


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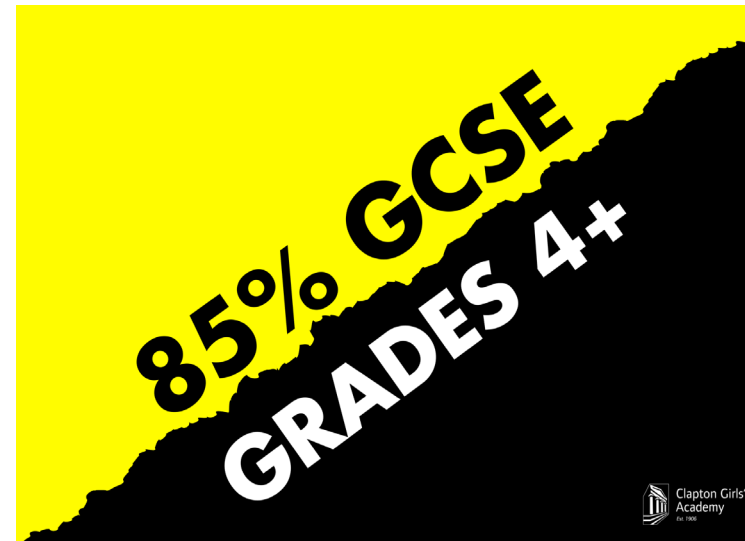
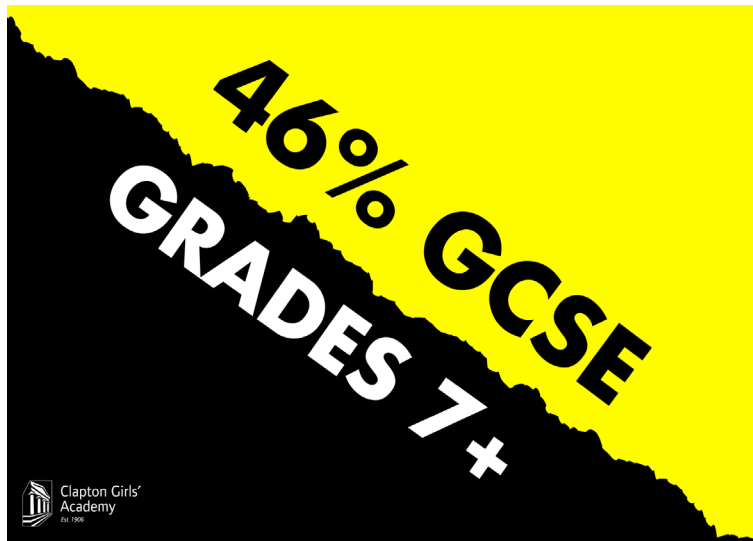
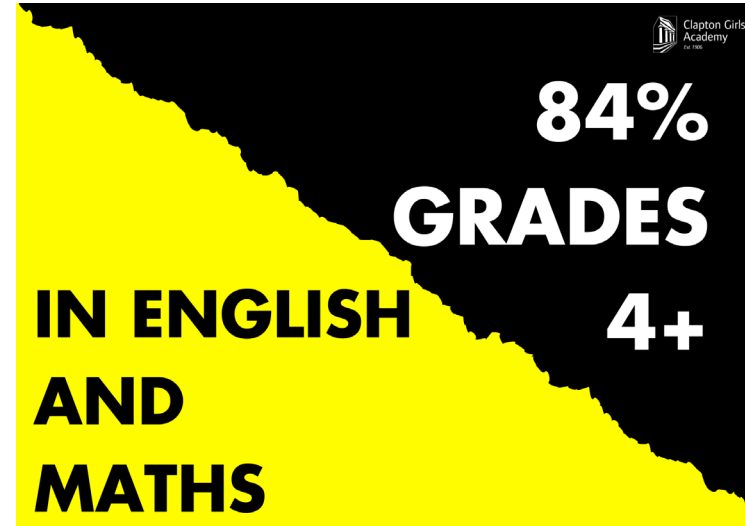
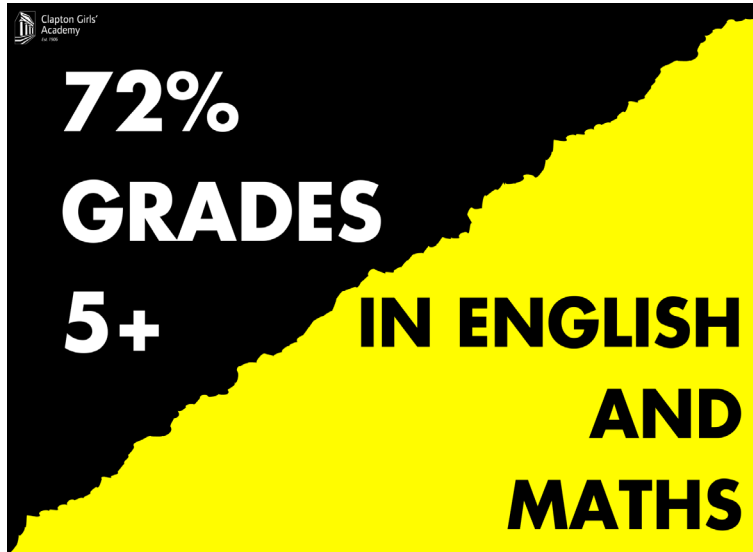


GCSE RESULTS DAY 2026 – link to results on CGA [website](#)



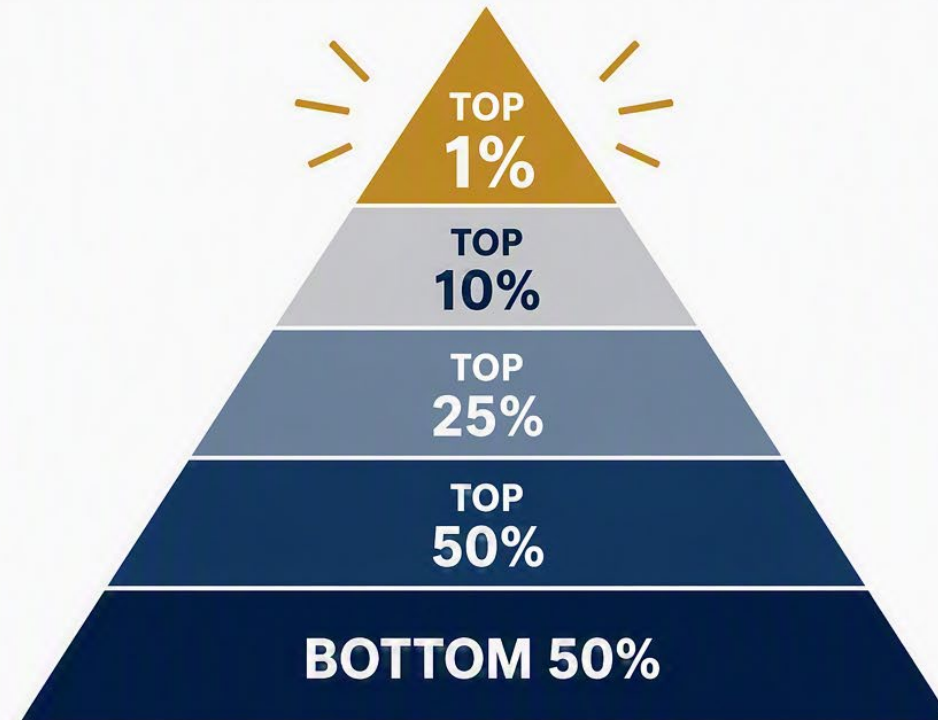


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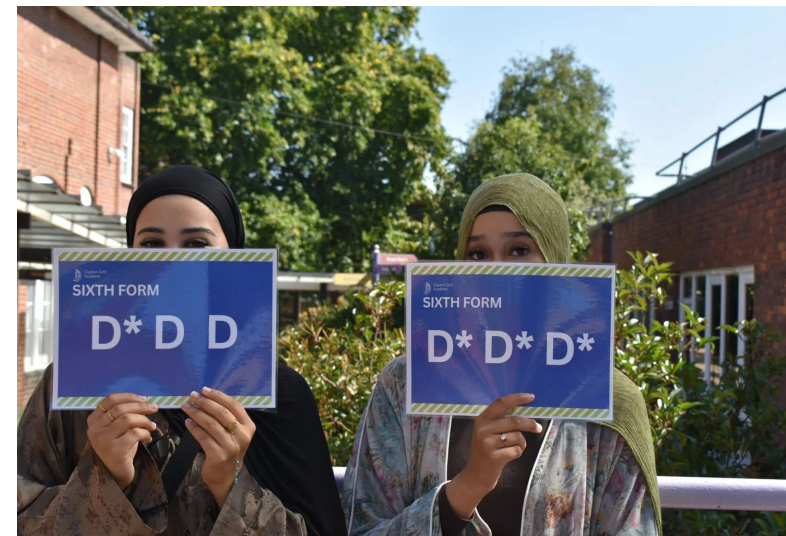
OUR GCSE RESULTS ARE
IN THE TOP 1%
— **FOR PROGRESS NATIONALLY** —





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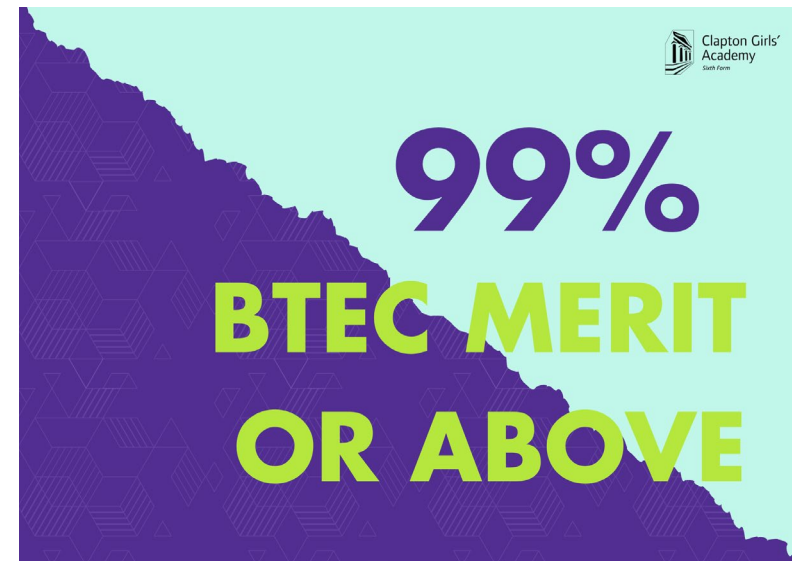
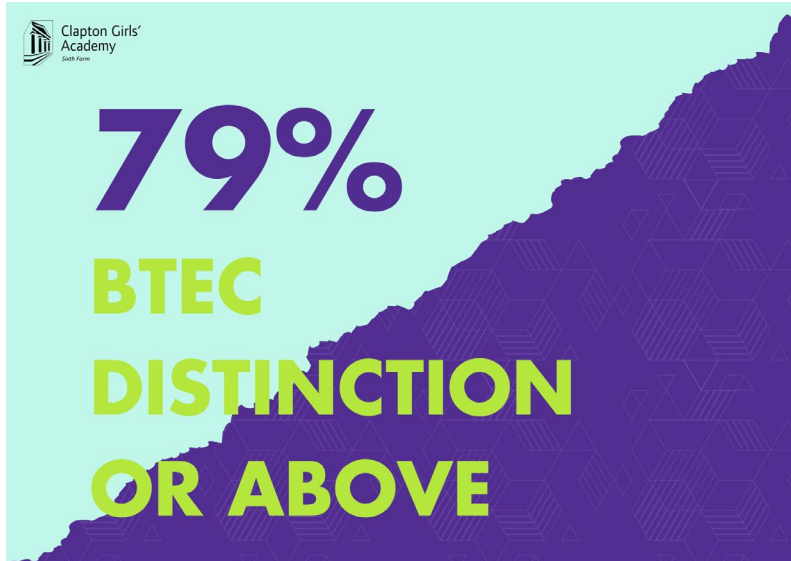
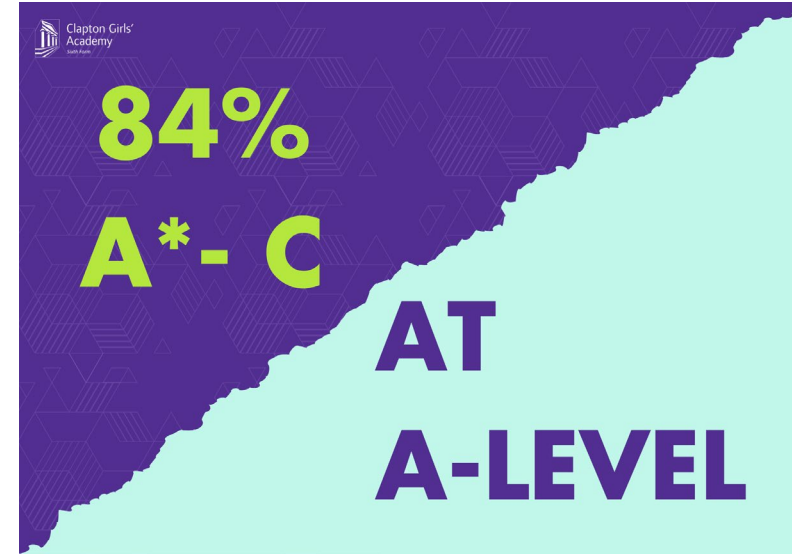


A-Level & BTEC RESULTS DAY 2026 – link to results on CGA [website](#)





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CGA offers a 7 year pathway to destinations and dreams:

- Over 50% progressing to Russell Group and other top 40 unis
- Students are off to Edinburgh, Glasgow, Central Saint Martins, York, Bristol, Loughborough, Manchester, Oxford, Exeter, King's College London, LSE, UCL, UAL, and Queen Mary's.
- Our BTEC students have secured places at Warwick, Bath, Manchester, City, and King's College London, as well as sought-after apprenticeships.



Clapton Girls' Academy
Ofsted
Outstanding

Medical, Dentistry & Veterinary Programme

Perfect preparation for your medical career

Arrive with a dream

Clapton Girls' Academy
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Health & Social Care Programme

Perfect preparation for your career in health & social care

Arrive with a dream



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Communication from Ms Feltham (Headteacher):

- Emailed to you every Friday morning
- On the homepage and letters to parents page of [CGA website](#)
- Please check your MyEd account regularly



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OUR ACADEMY PARENTS CURRICULUM THE YEAR 7 SPACE WELLBEING SIXTH FORM

LETTERS TO PARENTS



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Friday 4 September 2026

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Email: cga@clapton.hackney.sch.uk
www.clapton.hackney.sch.uk

Ms Anna Feltham: Headteacher

Headteacher's weekly update for parents

Dear Parents,

We hope you and your families have enjoyed the summer break. This is the first of my weekly Headteacher letters for the new school year. These will be emailed to you every Friday morning during term time.

Exam Results



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YEAR 7 TEAM



Ms Chambers
Head of Year 7



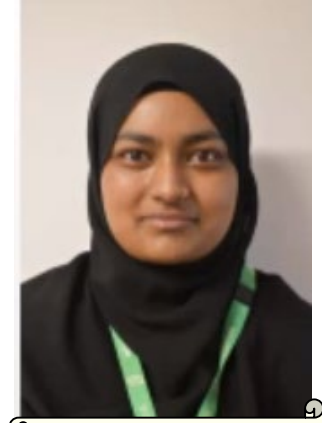
Ms Williams
Deputy
Headteacher



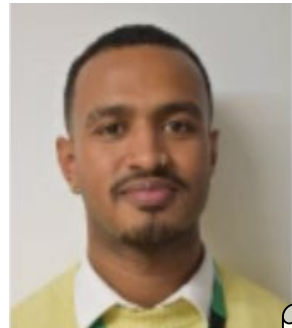
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Ms Mallett



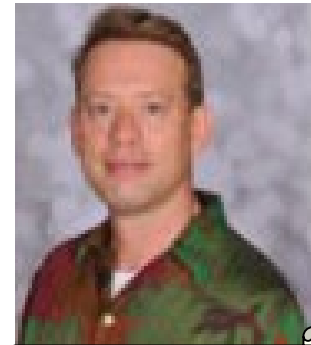
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Mr Leach



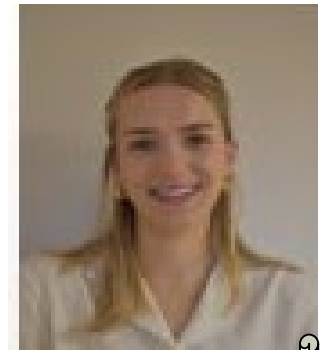
7T
Ms Nasreen



7L
Mr Bangura +
Mr Page



7P
Mr Gustard



7N
Ms Bennett

Engagement Team Support:

Ms Smith (Year 7 Pastoral Mentor)

+

**Ms Abdulaahi (KS3 Attendance and
Inclusion Mentor)**



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Timings of the school day from September 2026

Time	Activity
8.15am	Gates, breakfast club and LRC open
8.35am	Gates close
8.40-9.05am	Line up followed by CT (25 mins)
9.05-10.05am	Lesson 1
10.05-11.05am	Lesson 2
11.05-11.30am	Break
11.30-12.30pm	Lesson 3
12.30-2.00pm	Lesson 4 (including 30 min lunch)
2.00-3.00pm	Lesson 5

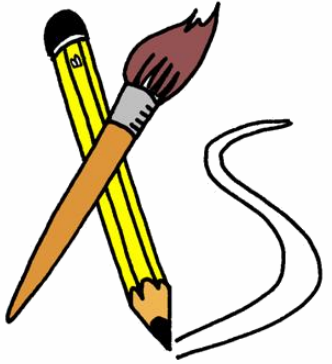


Reminder:

We have a
2-week October half term 19
to 30 October 2026.



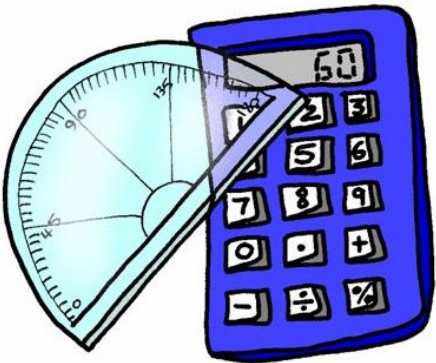
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What will my child study?

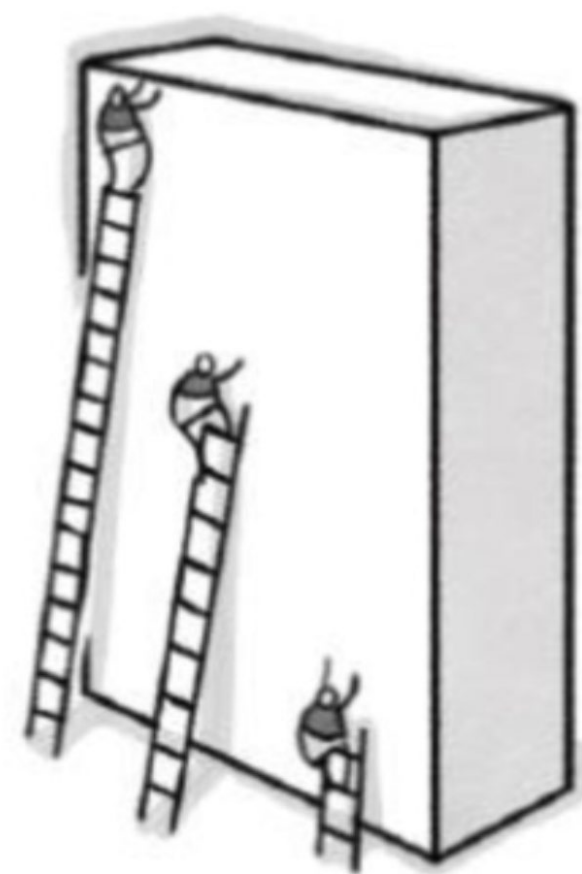
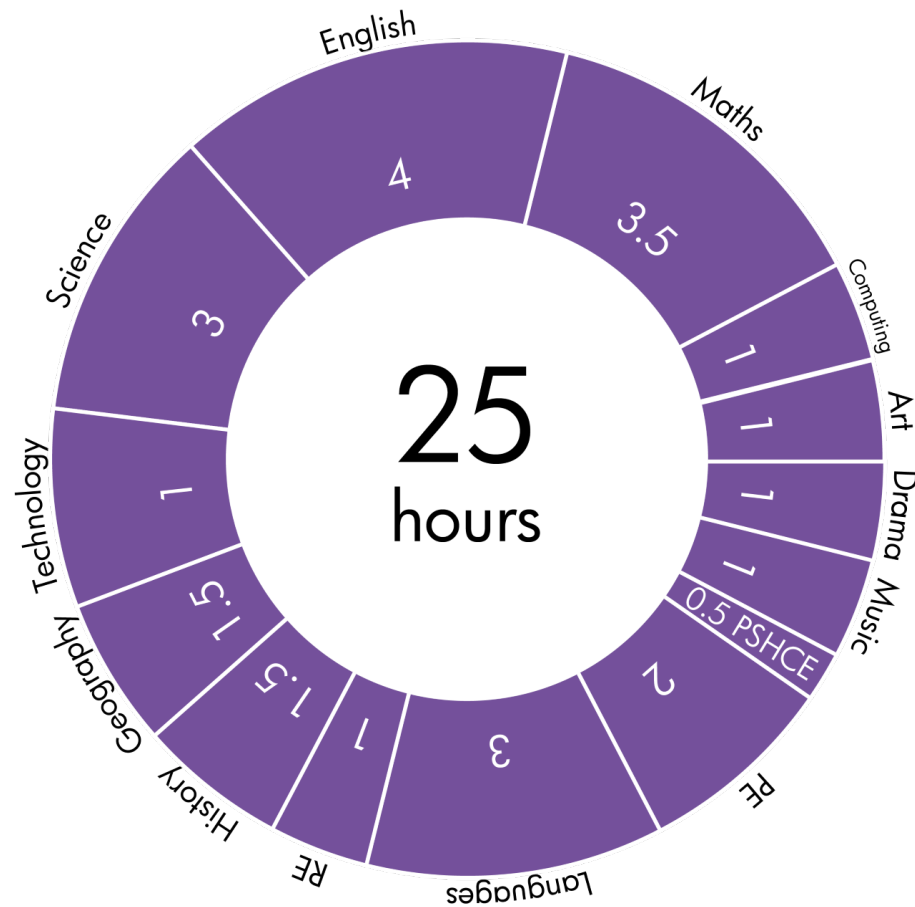


In year 7, all classes are in mixed ability groups.
Students will move into sets in Maths by October.





Key Stage 3 Curriculum





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KEY STAGE 3 CURRICULUM INFORMATION

Arrive with a dream, leave with a future.



Learning statements

Mastering (8+)

Extending

Securing (5+)

Approaching

Developing

Key Stage 3

KS3 CURRICULUM GUIDE

CLICK button to find out more about our KS3 curriculum*

Please find lots more information on CGA 'Curriculum and Assessment', including understanding KS3 'learning statements', by visiting the [CGA website](#) & downloading the KS3 Curriculum Information booklet.



KS3 Curriculum and Assessment

- At KS3 (Years 7 to 9), students follow a **broad curriculum** that prepares them to start GCSE in Year 10.
- Parents will receive **three reports during the school year**. These will explain:
 - how well students are **learning**
 - how well students are **behaving**
 - how much **progress** a student is making
- At **Parents Evening, on Thursday 18 March 2026** there will be an opportunity to discuss your child's learning with their teachers.
- Our parents evening will be in-person, on the academy site.



Maths Curriculum in Year 7

Our curriculum:

- ❖ Is broad, diverse and adaptable to ensure all students are challenged and supported.
- ❖ Is enriched in developing fluency, reasoning mathematically and problem solving.
- ❖ Supports maths anxiety and students with additional needs.
- ❖ Scheme of Learning is closely linked to MyMaths textbooks.

Assessments:

- ☐ Low stake assessment – Learning check (2 per half term)
- ☐ One assessment per term

Groups: Following a baseline assessment, Y7 will be put into groups.



Home learning: Sparx Maths

- ❖ 40 minutes of personalised Sparx Maths learning each week.
- ❖ Students must show their working and methods in their orange books.
- ❖ Students must bring their orange books, on the day their homework is due.
- ❖ Sparx provides hints, prompts and videos to build students' confidence and independence.
- ❖ Parents/Guardians receive a weekly email showing their child's Sparx homework engagement.
- ❖ Please let Ms Chambers know if your child does not have access to a device at home
- ❖ An excellent revision tool, to be used for independent learning and alongside revision mind maps



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KS3 English: Year 7 Curriculum

Laying foundations:

This year is about engaging with a wide variety of texts from different periods; encouraging students to think of themselves as readers and writers; and understand the impact of context.

Term 1

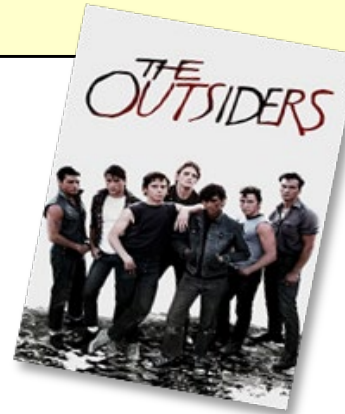
Welcome to English: prose, poetry and non-fiction

High challenge reading: *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens (1843)



Term 2

Novel study:
The Outsiders
by S.E. Hinton
(1967)



Term 3

Comparing Poems: Analytical reading and comparison

Gods and Monsters:
classical Greek mythology



Assessment

Each unit of work has at least one formative assessment and a summative assessment. After all assessments, students are given feedback by their class teacher and an opportunity to reflect on and improve their work.

Home Learning

All home learning is set via Satchel:one and will range from creative or factual written tasks to reading; research, spelling tests and quizzes. Year 7 will have one home learning task per week.

English
classes are
mixed ability all
the way to Y11



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Reading and Writing Routines at CGA:

- A reading book is a required part of school equipment. Every student should have one in their bag, or let their tutor know if they need one.
- Students read for 20 minutes every other **Thursday** in collective time.
- Year 7 students take part in a **Reading Challenge programme**.
- Year 7 and 8 have **dedicated reading lessons** in the LRC once a fortnight.
- We celebrate and showcase students' own writing through internal and external **poetry and prose writing competitions** throughout the year.



How *you* can support your child's reading:

- Join **Hackney Libraries** for free and loan physical, audio & e-books.
- Encourage them to make a reading book a part of their daily equipment
- Encourage your child to **read 30 minutes a day** and have discussions about what they are reading (fiction AND non-fiction!)





Thursday Collective Time, Week 1

Y7 PSHCE/RSE Overview Autumn 2026

- | | |
|---|----------------------|
| 1 | Goal setting |
| 2 | World Afro Day |
| 3 | Citizenship (part 1) |
| 4 | Black History Season |
| 5 | Citizenship (part 2) |
| 6 | Careers |

PSHCE = Personal, Social,
Health & Citizenship
Education

RSE = Relationships and
Sex Education



We are proud to offer a broad range of exciting Art and Design & Technology subjects that include Product Design, Textiles, Computer Aided Design and Manufacture & Food and Nutrition. So that students can make and keep products, we are asking parents to make a £10 voluntary contribution once per academic year.

Parents can log into ParentPay to make their £10 contribution.



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Student Notebook

- Needs 100% buy-in from students and parents
- Parents should be checking the notebooks weekly for messages from teachers.

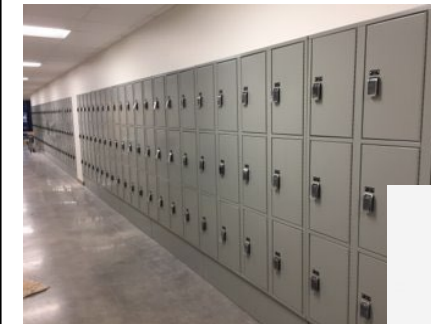
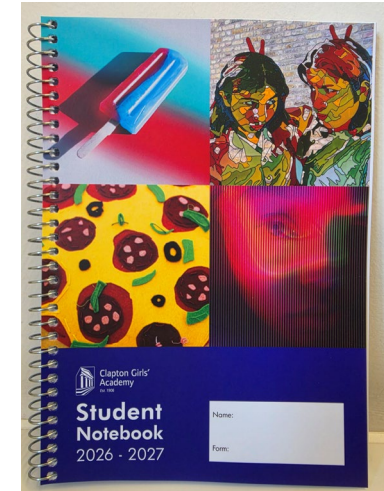
Year 7 lockers are in the Rosa Parks building

- Students should have their own locker.
- Space for coat and PE Kit
- No food please!
- No deposit or padlock needed!

Prayer Room

We have a designated Prayer Room in C06.

Information on how students obtain a Prayer Room Pass will be issued through the Headteacher's weekly newsletter to parents.





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The Safeguarding Team at Clapton Girls Academy



Sarah Garvin
Designated
Safeguarding Lead/
Assistant
Headteacher-
Based in Pankhurst



Andreanna Bangura
Deputy Headteacher/
Deputy Safeguarding
Lead-
Based in Curie



Aida Jagne
Deputy Safeguarding
Lead-
Based in Rosa Parks



Jo Grant
Deputy Safeguarding
Lead
Based in Curie



Genni Weekes
Safeguarding
Administrator
Based in Student
Reception

Visit the Academy's
Safeguarding [webpage
here.](#)

Our safeguarding team is in place to support your child. If your child, or someone else is at immediate risk of harm, students can approach any member of staff in the safeguarding team or any adult in school.

If you know of any student that could be at risk of harm, please contact the academy at cga@clapton.hackney.sch.uk

Families and CGA working together to support student success

- Parents groups / supporting CGA
- Home / school communication
- Attendance
- Mobile phones
- Uniform
- ParentPay
- Homework
- Clubs
- Detentions



3. Teamwork
for all



Year 7 Parent Events

This evening – Join us in the Dining Pavilion for a chance to ask questions and meet some of the groups that work with our students



Thursday 1st October – Parents invited in to meet Year 7 Tutors and have a coffee / tea. 9.05am - 10am



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Friends of CGA



Has **raised thousands of pounds** to pay for extra curricula activities that support the well-being of CGA students such as:

- running the CGA 'second-hand uniform' shop;
- paying for a new sound system in Nightingale Hall;
- buying the licence fee for our whole school production in December 2026;
- subsidising the cost to students (& families) of our end-of-year reward trips;
- contributing to the purchase of a new electronic scoreboard for our sports hall;
- contributing to the replacement of the lighting deck for our Drama Department.

Please email friendscga@clapton.hackney.sch.uk to find out more and connect with other parents



Global Majority Parents Group

GET IN TOUCH

globalmajoritycga@gmail.com

Who We Are

A space where every parent's voice is heard and valued. We champion a genuine sense of belonging for all our children, celebrate the richness of our community, and work in partnership with the school where everyone can thrive.

Why Get Involved?

1

Connect

Meet other parents who understand your journey and share your priorities.

2

Be Heard

Have your say on what matters most to your child's experience at CGA.

3

Make Change

Shape real outcomes — from cultural celebrations to school policy.

Cultural and Panel Events

Policy and Data Review

Student-led Advocacy

Fundraising and Grants

Championing Parents and Careers

Consultation Role

JOIN US — FIRST MEETING OF THE YEAR

Wednesday 7th October 2026

5:30 – 6:30pm • LRC, Clapton Girls Academy

Come along and be part of it — every voice adds to ours.



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Clapton Girls' Academy Trust

Financial support of CGA

1. Donation

2. Your details

3. Payment

Please note donations from companies, or payments made with a corporate or business card, are not eligible for Gift Aid and may be returned. We recommend you use your own personal card or account to make your donation.

Your donation

How often would you like to donate?

Just one donation

I'd like to give regularly

How much would you like to donate?

£ 25.00

£ 50.00

£ 100.00

Custom

CGA Donate

We need these donations to continue to provide all our students with the best possible education, including an outstanding curriculum, exciting enrichment courses, excellent pastoral care, state of the art DT, IT, art, music and science equipment, external sports coaching, workshops and productions, author visits, trips, specialist PE resources and more. Without this funding we will not be able to keep providing these services.

Thanks to the generosity of parents through **CGA Donate**, we have been able to:

- Fund our free breakfast club through our annual subscription to the Magic Breakfast charity, ensuring students can start the day ready to learn.
- Help offset the cost of educational trips for a number of year groups, enabling more students to access these valuable experiences.
- Fund our Summer Term after-school club programme, including the new and extremely popular Hackney Tennis partnership.
- Purchase curriculum resources to support teaching and learning in A Level Government and Politics and a new Key Stage 5 IT course.

Please visit the [CGA website](#) to find out how you can support CGA financially.



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Importance of parents using MyEd.



[Visit the MyED App by clicking here](#)

Please drop into the Dining Pavilion, this evening, or email

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if you need support with downloading or using the MYEd App.



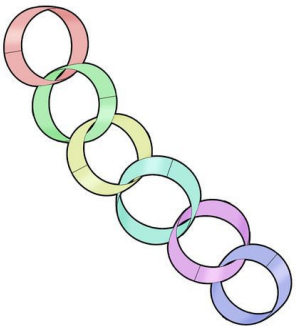
Attendance - 'No More Than Four'



We will be monitoring your child's accumulated days of absence.

Your child's attendance goal is to have no more than 4 days of unauthorised absence:

- travel during term time;
- unexplained absence;
- arrival at school after 10am without prior consent;
- **unsupported, excessive, and unreasonable days of absence because of illness.**

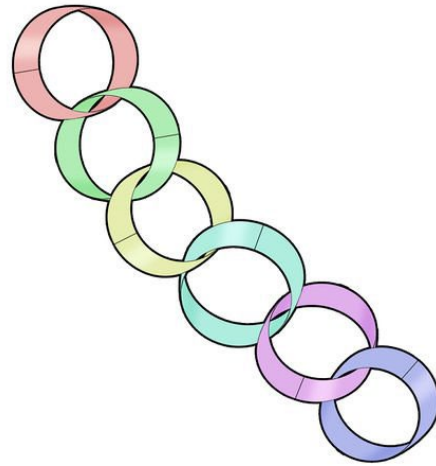


You will receive 'No More Than 4' MyED messages so you know how many days of absence your child has accumulated.



Attendance - 'No More Than Four'

Would you be pleased with a score of 85% in an educational context?



wikiHow

In the context of attendance, an 85% attendance score (for a full academic year) equates to 27 days of absence from school.

27 days of absence from school, equates to 135 hours of lost learning / 135 missed lessons.



Attendance - 'No More Than Four'

Our Vision

Arrive with a dream, leave with a future

The curriculum at Clapton Girls' Academy rests on our core values of compassion, ambition, integrity and resilience. Our students are empowered with the knowledge, skills and independence to meet their potential to thrive in the next stage of their learning and beyond, regardless of starting point. We want our students to have a deep, broad and powerful foundation of knowledge that prepares them to fully engage as global citizens and agents of change.

Attendance 2024 / 25	Number of Students	A8	9-5 E&M
Above 98%	40	63.2	80%
Below 90%	43	38.7	28%



Mobile phone guidance

- Children's Wellbeing and Schools Act 2026, which makes the DfE guidance statutory.
- **OFF and AWAY.** Students must have phones, headphones/earbuds and smartwatches switched off and away from the moment they enter the school site until they have left it.
- Black gate to black gate.





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UNIFORM: YEARS 7 TO 11

Clapton Girls' Academy students must wear the correct uniform at all times, including on their way to and from the academy. This means that they must enter and leave the academy wearing their full uniform, including their blazer and shoes. Students are not allowed to change into their uniform after arriving in the academy. Equally, they are not allowed to change into their own clothes before leaving the academy. Students are expected to wear their uniform with pride as a symbol of representing the academy.



CGA does NOT loan students' uniform.

Students in the wrong uniform will do their learning in our Student Support Centre (SSC) until their uniform is correct.

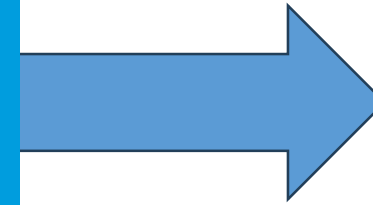
To support the CGA uniform policy:

- If you need help buying uniform, please communicate with your child's Head of Year or email cga@clapton.hackney.sch.uk.
- The 'Friends of CGA' parent group regularly open a 'CGA 2nd-hand uniform shop' to support families in need of uniform. These dates are advertised in the Headteacher's weekly update.

Visit the [uniform & Parentpay page](#) of the CGA website for details of the CGA uniform policy



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ParentPay login details have been emailed to you from finance@clapton.hackney.sch.uk. Please check your spam or junk folder if you cannot see the email in your inbox.

If you have not received your login details, please contact the Finance Team using the email address above

ALL STUDENTS need a ParentPay account (even if they are packed lunch). CGA uses ParentPay for ALL PAYMENTS such as visits and curriculum contributions.



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Lunch

All lunch money is to be deposited
onto ParentPay.

Lunch Menu: 2025-2026

Download lunch menus & price lists by clicking buttons below:

DAILY MENU

DAILY MENU

[Breakfast &
Lunch Menu](#)
— [Clapton
Girls'](#)
[Academy](#)

WEEK 1						
Week Commencing;						
13/04/26	04/05/26	25/05/26	15/06/26	06/07/26	27/07/26	
CLASSIC HOT & HEARTY						
CLASSIC MAIN MEALS			VEGETARIAN MAIN MEALS			
MONDAY			MONDAY			
Asian Vegetable, Soya Bean & Noodle Stir-fry (V)			Plant Based Bolognese with Pasta & House Salad (V)			
TUESDAY			TUESDAY			
Bang Bang Chicken with Soy & Mixed Rice			Bang Bang Eat Curious with Soy & Mixed Rice (V)			
WEDNESDAY			WEDNESDAY			
Salt & Pepper Roast Chicken, Crisp Roasties, Seasonal Vegetables & Roast House Gravy			Vegetable 'Squashage' Roll with Crispy Roasties, Seasonal Vegetables & Roast House Gravy (V)			
THURSDAY			THURSDAY			
Chicken Tikka & Chickpea Masala, Braised Rice & Kachumber Salad			Cauliflower, Courgette & Chickpea Rosti with Braised Rice, Kachumber Salad & Minted Yoghurt Dressing (V)			
FRIDAY			FRIDAY			
Chip Shop 'Fryday' Fish, Salmon Fishcake or Pizza with Chips, Peas & Tartare Sauce			Vegan Chickpea & Coriander Burger with Fries (VE)			
DESSERTS						

- Meal deal lunch (meal and drink) can be purchased for £2.75
 - Snacks are additional cost (prices will be on website next week)
 - A limit can be placed on your child's account
- Email finance@clapton.hackney.sch.uk



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Homework

The LRC is open from 8.15-8.35am for reading, borrowing books and doing homework.
Homework club runs in the LRC - Monday to Friday 3.00pm – 4.30pm

Satchel:one – the CGA homework platform

[Satchel One | Login](#)

Parents can have their own Satchel:one account.
(This is separate from the student account)

Questions about Satchel:one? Please email
JBradbury@clapton.hackney.sch.uk



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CLUBS & EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Clubs (including Greenhouse Sports)

Morning and after school clubs will start on Monday 21 September.

Greenhouse coach available this evening to answer questions.

A list of CGA clubs can be found on the CGA website or by [clicking here](#)

a note in your planner saying you can attend ☞ All clubs are FREE! Please bring a note in you

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Click for:

Extra-Curricular Clubs

CLICK: SUMMER TERM CLUBS LIST

Summer Holiday Camps

Make the most of your summer break with our Greenhouse Tennis and Basketball Holiday Camps, led by Coach Petrona (Tennis) and Coach

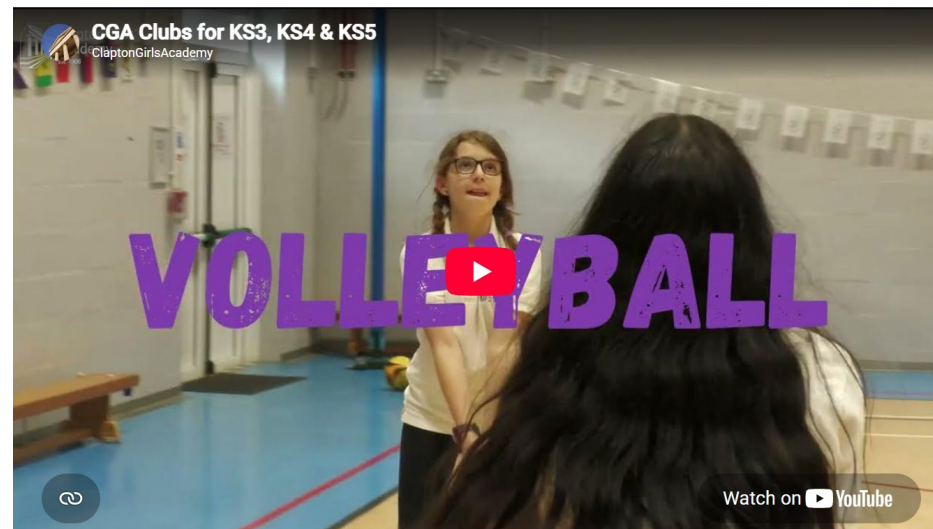
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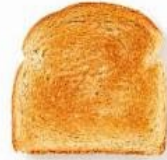
Clubs

- Students - can sign up to clubs (lists will be near where the club is held e.g. sports clubs sign-up sheets are by the PE changing rooms) OR speak to the teacher running the club.
- Parents - write a note on in your child's planner giving permission for them to attend clubs.
- Students leave clubs at 4:00 pm or 4.30pm (depending on the club) from the gate nearest the club e.g. Laura Place or Almack Rd.





Magic Breakfast



Available EVERY MORNING between 8:15am and 8:30am in the Dining Pavilion.

Includes bagels and toasts. In addition to this, warm porridge will be available in the winter months. It's totally free!



What is changing with the national Free School Meals system?

From the start of this academic year (2026 to 2027), all children and young people in households **receiving Universal Credit** will be entitled to free school meals, regardless of earnings. Going forward, there will be two types of eligibility:

- **Targeted FSM:** for households in receipt of universal credit earning £7,400 or less (includes free meals and additional support such as pupil premium).
- **Expanded FSM:** for households in receipt of universal credit earning above £7,400 (free meals only)



What you need to do

If you currently receive free school meals:

- In most cases, you do not need to reapply
- Hackney have checked eligibility automatically using the details already held and will inform you of any changes to your FSM eligibility.
- In some cases, Hackney have emailed parents to confirm their details. Please check for these emails.

If you don't currently receive free school meals

- You may now be eligible under the expanded criteria
- You can apply here: [Apply for free school meals | Hackney Education](#)
- If you need support applying, please speak to a member of staff before you leave today.



Trip - Year 7

Pantomime – **Jack and the Beanstalk**

at the Hackney Empire:

Thursday 17 December 2026 at 1:30pm

£12.50 per child

(payment via ParentPay before 1 November 2026)



Trip information:

- CGA uses an online trips and visits system called 'Evolve'. Trip payment is made on ParentPay
- Consent for your child to attend trips can only be given by clicking the consent tab in 'Evolve'
- Please remember to give consent/make payment promptly. This saves a lot of staff time and means we can run more trips in the long term.



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Detentions - other

Please see p26 for when and how detentions are issued.
Your teacher will sign the box once you have completed the detention.

Date	Time	Room	Reason	10 min done	Faculty done	LT DT done

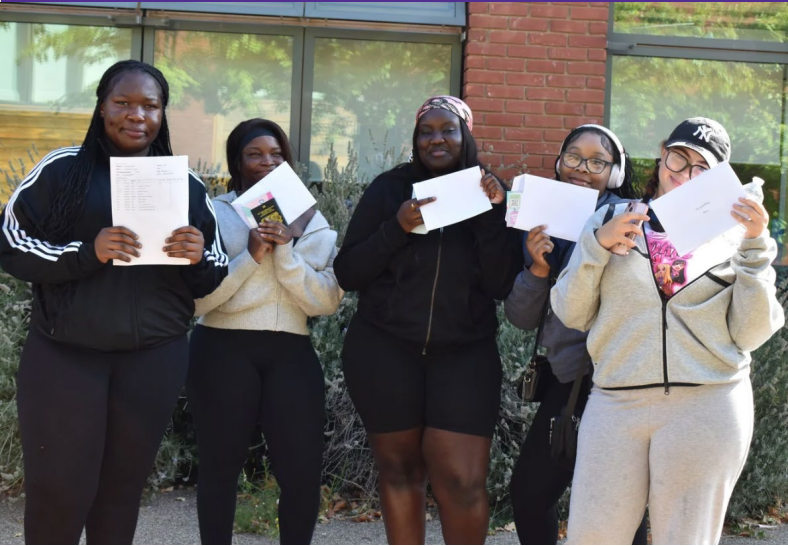
Parents can check
for detentions in
their
child's notebook

Detention Type	Details
Late to school: - after 8:35am	DAILY = 30 minutes directly after school.
Late to lesson: - after start of lesson	DAILY = 10 minutes directly after school.
Teacher detention: - class behaviour	DAILY = 10 minutes directly after school.
Faculty detention: - escalated missed teacher detention or SSOD call-out	DAILY = 30 minutes directly after school.
Leadership detention: - escalated missed Faculty detention or set by LT	TUES & THUR only = 1 hour.
Street detention: - Anti-social behaviour, in community & in uniform.	DAILY = 30 minutes to 1 hour.



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Don't forget:

- 1) Check we have correct contact details for you
- 2) Download the MyEd app
- 3) Log in to Parentpay
- 4) Contact our **main reception on 020 8985 6641 or by emailing CGA@clapton.hackney.sch.uk**
- 5) Contact cgall@clapton.hackney.sch.uk Mr Gall (SENDSCO) if your child has medical or special educational needs that we are not aware of



'DROP-INTO' THE DP: 6:00PM – 6:30PM

THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES / STAFF ARE IN THE DP NOW SHOULD YOU WISH TO 'DROP-IN' FOR AN INFORMAL CHAT OR TO ASK A QUESTION:

- **Year 7 Team (Ms Chambers & Ms Williams)**
- **Attendance and Inclusion Mentor – Ms Abdullaahi**
- **SEND Coordinator – Mr Colin Gall**
- **Greenhouse students – Year 10 students with experience of engaging with the Greenhouse**
- **Parent groups**
- **Clapton Girls Academy Trustees – support with MyED & general advice / guidance**
- **Hackney Citizens Advice**

THIS 'DROP-IN' SESSION IS NOT COMPULSORY.

TEA & COFFEE AVAILABLE.