Arrangements for the start of the 2020-21 Academic Year at Methodist College

We aim to re-establish our full educational programme, in and out of the classroom, at the earliest possible opportunity and will endeavour to deliver as much of the timetable and curriculum as possible when school resumes in August. The following arrangements will operate until further changes to social distancing regulations allows all pupils to attend school at the same time. These arrangements will be kept under constant review and updated in line with any guidance issued by the government and the Public Health Agency.

From the beginning of the new academic year every year group will be spilt into 2 cohorts. With the exception of Lower 6th, pupils will be informed which cohort they are in no later than Friday 14th August. Lower 6th will be informed by Friday 21st following the publication of GCSE results on Thursday 20th. These cohorts will attend school on alternate weeks. Staff will set work for pupils to complete at home on the week that they are not in class.

During their induction sessions pupils will be informed about what is expected of them, the detail of their timetable, how blended learning will work and other operational matters.

Date	**Personnel**	**Programme**
Monday 17th August	Staff	During the week beginning Monday 17th August, staff not involved in induction, pastoral or careers meetings will follow the published staff development programme and prepare materials to support the blend of in-school and home learning.
Tuesday 18th August	Staff	
Wednesday 19th August	Staff	
Thursday 20th August	Lower 6th	Collect GCSE results. Careers meetings as appropriate.
Friday 21st August	5th Form and Upper 6th 09:00 – 10:15 5th Form Cohort 1 10:45 – 12:00 U6th Cohort 1 12:30 – 13:15 5th Form Cohort 2 13:45 – 14:30 U6th Cohort 2 Those Lower 6th who need subject choice/careers advice.	Pupils should report to the Whitla Hall at their allocated time. Distribution of timetable. Information about the operation of the school and safe healthcare practice. Meetings with careers staff.
Monday 24th August	09:00 – 11:00 Form 1 Cohort 1 12:00 – 14:00 Form 1 Cohort 2 10:00 – 11:00 Lower 6th Cohort 1 13:00 – 14:00 Lower 6th Cohort 2	Induction meetings will start in the Whitla Hall. Form 1 will then be escorted by their tutor to their tutorial room (where they register each morning).
Tuesday 25th August to Friday 28th August	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 1	In school following week A timetable. Forms 2, 3 and 4 will have induction during period 1.
	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 2	Working at home on preparatory material provided by staff.
Monday 31st August	Bank Holiday	
Tuesday 1st September to Friday 4th September	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 1	Working at home on preparatory material provided by staff.
	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 2	In school following week A timetable. Forms 2, 3 and 4 will have induction during period 1.
Monday 7th to Friday 11th September	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 1	In school following week B timetable.
	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 2	Learning at home.

Monday 14th to Friday 18th September	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 1	Learning at home.
	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 2	In school following week B timetable.
Monday 21st to Friday 25th September	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 1	In school following week A timetable.
	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 2	Learning at home.
Monday 28th September to Friday 2nd October	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 1	Learning at home.
	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 2	In school following week A timetable.
Monday 5th to Friday 9th October	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 1	In school following week B timetable.
	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 2	Learning at home.
Monday 12th to Friday 16th October	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 1	Learning at home.
	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 2	In school following week B timetable.
Monday 19th to Friday 23rd October	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 1	In school following week A timetable.
	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 2	Learning at home.
Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October	Half Term Break	
Monday 2nd to Friday 6th November	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 1	Learning at home.
	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 2	In school following week A timetable.
Monday 9th to Friday 13th November	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 1	In school following week B timetable.
	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 2	Learning at home.
Monday 16th to Friday 20th November	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 1	Learning at home.
	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 2	In school following week B timetable.
Monday 23rd to Friday 27th November	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 1	In school following week A timetable.
	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 2	Learning at home.
Monday 30th November to Friday 4th December	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 1	Learning at home.
	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 2	In school following week A timetable.
Monday 7th December to Friday 11th December	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 1	In school following week B timetable.
	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 2	Learning at home.
Monday 14th December to Friday 18th December	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 1	Learning at home.
	Forms 1 to Upper 6th Cohort 2	In school following week B timetable.

Until otherwise informed, the timings for the school day will be as follows:

	Monday – Thursday	**Friday**
Staff in tutor room	08:50	08:40
Tutor group	08:55 to 9:10	08:45 to 08:55
Period 1	9:10 to 10:00	08:55 to 09:45
Period 2	10:00 to 10:50	09:45 to 10:35
BREAK	10:50 to 11:10	10:35 to 10:55
Period 3	11:10 to 12:00	10:55 to 11:45
Period 4	12:00 to 12:50	11:45 to 12:35
LUNCH	12:50 to 13:35	12:35 to 13:20
Period 5	13:35 to 14:25	13:20 to 14:10
Period 6	14:25 to 15:15	14:10 to 15:00