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Principal: Mrs J Taggart OBE, BEd (Hons) PQH

August 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian

I would like to extend a warm welcome to you and your child to the Nendrum College family. I am delighted that your child will be joining us at Nendrum College this year.

Transition to a new school can be daunting for both parents and pupils. We want to work in partnership with you and your child to ensure that this transition is a positive and happy experience.

We would like to remind you of the arrangements for their first few days.

We have planned a series of activities where the students can familiarise themselves with the College. Please be reassured that we will do everything we can to make your child feel part of the Nendrum family.

Our Learning Together Transition Programme will take place in the College on Wednesday 23 and Thursday 24 August 2023. This programme is organised and staffed by The Net Project from Comber. It is an informal programme held at the College where pupils, through a variety of activities and team challenges, will have the opportunity to get to know the other pupils in their year group. The programme runs from 10.00am – 1.00pm on each day and pupils should wear comfortable clothing and bring a snack and bottle of water.

Pupils in Year 8 will commence Induction Days in Nendrum College on Tuesday 29 and Wednesday 30 August 2023. Both days are half days 8.50am – 12.20pm to introduce pupils to the College, teachers and the routines in school.

Please ensure the College office has received your data information for emergency contact details. Full school uniform must be worn. Pupils should assemble in the Year 8 playground in the morning. Staff will be on hand to show pupils where to go.

Pupils should bring with them:

- School bag
- Stationery in a pencil case: blue/black/red pens, pencil, glue stick, 30cm ruler, sharpener, rubber and colouring pencils
- A scientific calculator
- Healthy snack and water for break

Neither canteen facilities nor school transport will be available until 1 September 2023. Parents/Guardians should therefore arrange transport.

Year 8 are not required to attend on Friday 25 August 2023. Year 8 are also not required to attend the College on Thursday 31 August 2023.

College will restart for all pupils on Friday 1 September 2023 at 8.50am.

We wish to thank you for your support during this time.

If you need to contact the College to discuss any matter in relation to your child, please contact the College office on 028 9187 2361.

Having had the privilege to lead the College for the past 11 years, I wish to thank the school and community for their support. I will be stepping down from my role as Principal on 31 October 2023. I wish my colleagues, pupils and school community every success in the future.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

Yours faithfully

J Taggart OBE

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Principal

SUMMARY FOR YOUR INFORMATION		
Wednesday 23 August	The Net – half day	Normal clothes
Thursday 24 August	The Net – half day	Normal clothes
Friday 25 August	NOT IN SCHOOL	
Monday 28 August	NOT IN SCHOOL	
Tuesday 29 August	In school – half day	Full school uniform
Wednesday 30 August	In school – half day	Full school uniform
Thursday 31 August	NOT IN SCHOOL	
Friday 01 September	In school – full day	Full school uniform