



Year 6 Transition

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Information Booklet

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About us

St Julian's is a thriving, popular and oversubscribed 11-18 secondary school with a student population of just over 1500 students.

The majority of our students come from four primary schools – Glan Usk, St Julian's, Eveswell and Maindee. A substantial number also transfer from about ten other primary schools from across the city. We aim for all students to leave St Julian's with their best qualifications, an appropriate pathway and being equipped for life in the wider world too.



Our aim is to achieve excellence in all that we do. All of our work is built on our values of Respect, Collaboration, Inclusion and Ambition.



Respect



Inclusion



Collaboration



Ambition



Transitioning to a New School...

Starting a new school can be a scary ordeal... all new lessons, new teachers, new rules... but it doesn't have to be!

Beginning secondary school is an important milestone of every child's life, and the guidance and support that we provide will make it as easy as it can be.





A day at St Julian's School...

We work on a two-week timetable. The weeks are known as 'Week One' and 'Week 2'. This is easier to deal with than it may sound. Students quickly get used to checking which week it is and organising what they need to bring to school for the following week or day.

It's here that you will then meet your new Form Tutor who will explain lots of things to you and you will be able to ask questions too. He or she will also give you your timetable, which you will refer to throughout the year. You will be with your Form Tutor for the first part of the morning and then your normal lessons begin.

On your first day at this school, you will need to go to the **School Hall**.

Here is an example of a day at St. Julian's School

	Social Zones	Arrivals	8:35	9:00	10:00	11:00	11:20	12:20	12:55	13:20	13:55	Departures
		8:20 - 8:35 (Gates)	Tut.	P1	P2	Break	P3	P4 (1hr) Lunch (35 mins)			P5	14:50 - 15:00 (Students to leave via nearest gates)
Y7	East canteen & yard	East Gate	T	P1	P2	B	P3	L	P4		P5	14:50
Y8	East canteen & yard	East Gate	T	P1	P2	B	P3	P4		L	P5	14:50
Y9	West canteen & yard	West Gate	T	P1	P2	B	P3	L	P4		P5	14:55
Y10	West canteen & yard	West Gate	T	P1	P2	B	P3	P4		L	P5	14:55
Y11	Jubilee & Aspire	East Gate	T	P1	P2	B	P3	L	P4		P5	15:00
P16	West + Aspire	West Gate	T	P1	P2	B	P3	P4		L	P5	15:00
LDC	Side field & Aspire	Rear Yard	T	P1	P2	B	P3	P4	L	P4	P5	14:25



Where is My Next Lesson?

The School Map

One of the most challenging parts of starting a new school is the size of it. There are so many different rooms for different subjects in different buildings. But this will all come natural to you.

We have three buildings here on site: the **Main Building**, the **Jubilee Block** and the **Technology Block**.

A little bit of history...

The school was established in 1911 as a site close to town. It was then known as Newport School. During WWII, it moved to Heather Road and opened as St. Julian's School in 1941. It was then two separate schools – girls in the East and boys in the West. In the 1970's it became the mixed comprehensive school that we know today.





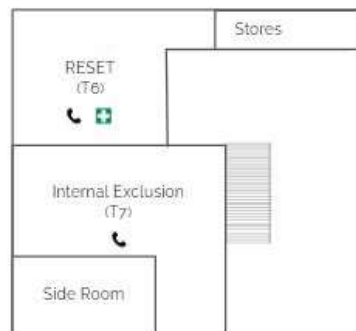
Main Building Floor Plan





Student Support Centre (SSC) & Technology Building

FIRST FLOOR



GROUND FLOOR



Main Points - **RED**

Telephone - ☎

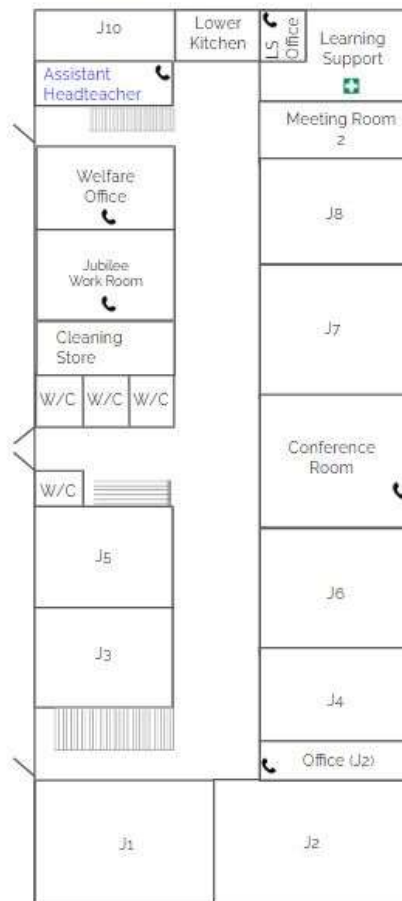
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+ (1 Day)

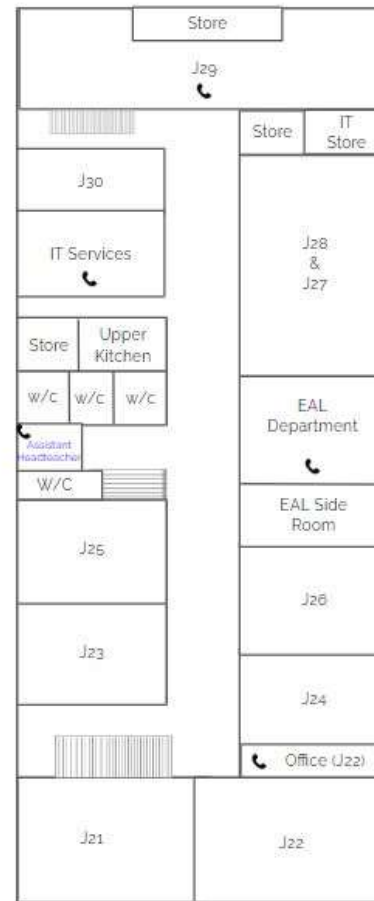
Key Staff/SLT - **BLUE**

Jubilee Building

GROUND FLOOR



FIRST FLOOR





SCHOOL UNIFORM

- A black, badged blazer with the school logo
 - A white, collared shirt
 - House tie
 - Optional black V-neck jumper/cardigan
 - (not in place of blazer)
 - Traditional, plain black trousers or a skirt
 - (skirt no more than 5cm above the knee)
 - Plain black shoes or all black trainers
 - Tights must be plain black or natural in colour
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- **No more than 1 stud in each ear**
 - **No facial piercings permitted**
 - **Natural nail colours only, acrylic nails NOT permitted**
 - **Natural hair colours only**

PHYSICAL EDUCATION KIT

BOYS

- St. Julian's School rugby shirt
- Plain white round neck t-shirt
- Plain black shorts or tracksuit bottoms
- Trainers (with suitable support for both indoor and outdoor use)
- Boots and black socks for Football and Rugby (OPTIONAL St. Julian's Football socks)

GIRLS

- St. Julian's School hooded sweatshirt
- Plain white polo shirt
- Plain black shorts, tracksuit bottoms or sport leggings
- Trainers (with suitable ankle support for both indoor and outdoor use)

Please Note

Students are expected to bring their full School P.E. kit and change for ALL lessons, unless a physical impediment prevents this.



MACEY SPORTS

Uniform Suppliers

Macey Sports
Caerleon Road
Newport, Np197FX

Telephone: 01633 259334
Email: maceysports@btconnect.com



What equipment will I need?

Equipment

Unfortunately, we do not have the space to provide lockers for our students. This means that all the equipment needs to be carried around for the whole day. This also applies to coats. It is important that each student has a strong bag, large enough to carry the range of things which they may need. Therefore, we ask that our students use a backpack/rucksack **only**.

It is important to be prepared and the following items should be brought each day:

- School bag
- Pens and pencils
- Coloured pens or crayons
- Ruler
- Eraser
- Pencil sharpener
- Pencil case
- Calculator
- Appropriate exercise books and other books for that day's lesson
- PE kit (on the relevant days)





What should I Have for Lunch?

St. Julian's School provides outstanding catering facilities that can be found in three designated dining areas throughout the school. It is in these facilities that pupils are able to purchase breakfast before the school day begins, a mid-morning break and throughout lunchtime. Chartwells, our catering partner, provides us with a number of healthy eating menus and food during term time, as well as themed canteen days.



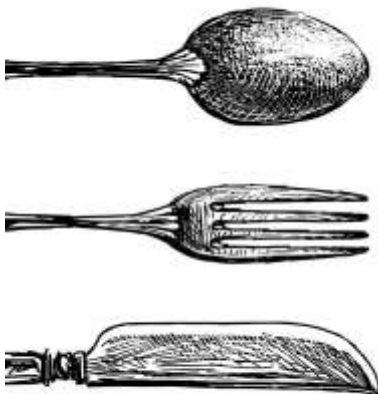
For example, around the Easter period Chartwells provided an 'Easter Bonanza' Theme Day menu.

Each student is set up with their own, individual account which they will have for the duration of their time at school. These accounts can be accessed via the on-site units in the East and West canteens or parents/carers can access and add money to their child's account via SchoolComms online.

These accounts can be accessed throughout a state-of-the-art biometric system, where your child's fingerprint is recognised. **Parents/Carers will receive a letter before the academic year starts regarding a confirmation of participation. It is not an obligation and these accounts can still be accessed with a canteen card or memorable pin.** These biometric units are located at till points and at Student Reception where your child's unique fingerprint can be used to pay for food through their individual accounts.

SchoolComms gives parents and carers the ability to pay easily online whenever suits them, it's quick and easy to do. This helps to reduce the amount of cash being carried, and potentially lost, around school. In turn this also means that the school and Catering Partner time and money on administration is saved; a win-win for everyone!

Please note that the option for our child to add money onto their catering accounts via the on-site terminals is also available for those who do not wish to create an online payment account.





Menus

Here is an example of one of our current menus.

FOOD UNION

WEEK 1 MENU

CHOICE
One

CHOICE
Two

GRAB & GO
OPTIONS

	CHOICE <i>One</i>	CHOICE <i>Two</i>
MON	Bangers and Mash  With Peas and Gravy	Vegetarian Sausages  With Mash, Peas and Gravy
TUE	Chicken Masala Naan  With Mixed Side Salad	Roasted Rainbow Vegetables  With Flatbread Fingers, Carrot and Coriander salad and Houmous
WED	BBQ Mandarin Pork    with Vegetable Egg Fried Rice	Sweet Chilli Noodles 
THUR	Sriracha Glazed Chicken Burger  With Chipotle Potato Wedges and Sweetcorn	Plant Ball Marinara Melt  With Chipotle Potato Wedges and Sweetcorn
FRI	Fish and Chips With Baked Beans and Peas	Loaded Fries with Chilli or Vegan Sausage Roll  With Chips, Baked Beans and Peas

WEEKLY SPECIAL
Indian Chickpea Salad 

SALADS:
Tuna Sweetcorn Pasta Salad  
Pesto Pasta Salad

SANDWICHES/BAGUETTES:
Cheese
Chicken & Mayo
Chicken
Cheese Sandwich
Cheese & Tomato

WRAPS:
Tuna Crunch Wrap  
Pepper & Houmous Wrap  

HOT DISHES:
Paninis
Pasta & Sauces
Freshly Baked Margherita Pizza
Jacket Potato & Toppings

 Fruity!  Nutritionist's Choice  Vegetarian  Oily Fish  Wholegrain  Halal



All of our menus can be found on our [website](#)



My Attendance Record

At St. Julian's School we believe that it is vital for our students to attend school EVERY day, unless ill or otherwise excused.

Each day that you are absent, you miss **5** lessons. Our teachers are always here to help students to catch up with any missed work due to illness, but missing too many days means you'll fall behind and put yourself at risk of damaging any future prospects with bad grades.

It's been proven on countless occasions that good grades come from good attendance, so it is so important that you attend EVERY DAY.



This goes for arriving at school and your lessons on time too! Getting your morning and afternoon registration mark goes towards a positive reputation and a good learner (something that you will need to be when you're in the adult world of employment). All of our students are expected to be punctual to school. If they are late with no valid reason, they will serve detention after school for 30 minutes. You will be informed of this.

Absences from school are either 'authorised' or 'unauthorised'. An authorised absence occurs when a student is absent from school for a genuine reason, covered by a note from home. An unauthorised absence is when a student misses' school without good reason and is therefore truant.

If we are concerned about attendance or persistent lateness your child's Progress Leader will telephone you. The Education Welfare Officer works with the school in cases of poor attendance or punctuality. In cases of persistent poor attendance, the EWO may start prosecution procedures on behalf of the Local Authority.

REMEMBER You **MUST** inform us ASAP by phone or by letter when your child is away to confirm that the absence is genuine. If you do not do this, the absence will be recorded as unauthorised.



Communications & Online Payments

We hope that everyone will benefit from this new payment facility. It is easy to use and offers you the freedom to make online payments whenever and wherever you like, 24/7 – safe in the knowledge that the site is secure, ensuring your funds reach the school safely.

Online payments can be made for School Meals, Music Tuition and Trips. Please make sure you select the correct item when making your payment.

www.schoolgateway.com

Pay for School Items Online - Canteen Meals/School Trips/Materials

We are pleased to advise you that you can make online payments via the School Gateway smartphone app or website.

You will also be able to view school meal balances and top them up at any time.

You will be able to make payments to school via instant bank transfer, credit or debit card.

The Gateway App

School Gateway is your school's app available on Android, iOS and the web. It'll work on phones, tablets, laptops and even smart watches.

- Check your child's attendance record and submit explanations for any absences
- Receive notifications for achievements and behaviour
- Get the latest progress reports sent directly to your School Gateway account
- Parents and students can check their latest lesson timetable
- You'll be able to use School Gateway to pay for school dinners, clubs, trips and more

School Gateway



Phone System and Social Media

Tel: 01633 224490

Email: info@stjuliansschool.co.uk

Twitter: [@StJuliansSchool](https://twitter.com/StJuliansSchool)

Instagram: [@stjuliansschoolnewport](https://www.instagram.com/stjuliansschoolnewport)

Our phones use a switch-board system. Dial the number correlating with the following options:

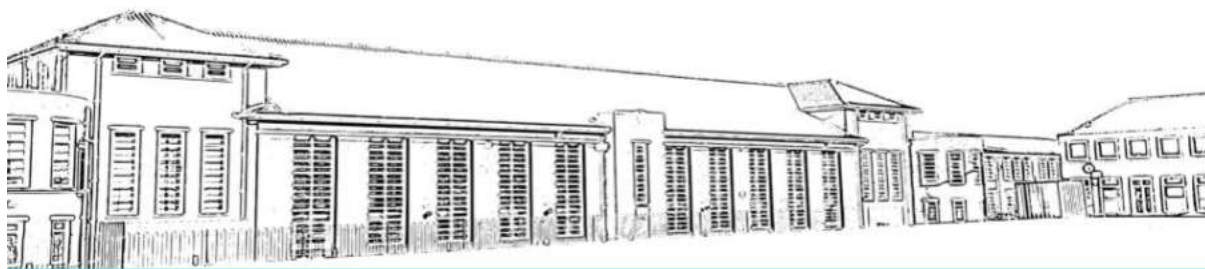
- Option 1: Report a Child's Absence
- Option 2: Student Reception / First Aid Point
- Option 3: Student Support Centre
- Option 4: Progress Leaders
- Option 5: Post 16
- Option 6: Exams Officer
- Option 7: Finance Officer
- Option 0: Business Support and Reception Team (General Queries)



Communicating with the School

The school staff are here to help you.

Threatening and offensive language and comments within telephone calls, emails and social media posts will **not** be tolerated and will be addressed accordingly.





Classroom Behaviour

We take a positive approach to pupil behaviour at St Julian's. We expect students to make the right choices and behave well so that teachers can focus on teaching.

Our classroom expectations are simple:

Classroom Expectations

1. Enter the classroom on time, prepared and ready to work hard
2. Follow ALL instructions first time
3. Remain on task, allowing others to learn
4. Do your best!

Praise and encouragement are constantly used to celebrate good work. When teachers want to formally recognise a student's efforts, positive points are awarded.

Special awards and certificates from departments and Progress Leaders are also given out in termly celebration assemblies..

If students do not choose to behave appropriately and disrupt the learning within the classroom, we operate with a series of consequences. We value your support in ensuring behaviour improves and so will arrange supportive meetings to help improve any areas of concern. Consistent misbehaviour may result in a formal exclusion.

To help monitor students and to ensure difficulties are overcome, we have a system of daily reports. Students may be placed on report to:

- Form Tutor
- Student support Officer
- Progress Leader



All of our rewards and consequences are logged via Class Charts, and can be viewed on the Gateway app.



Medical Matters

We have trained First Aid staff who are available throughout the school day. Our Student Receptionist is available to handle on-going medical care for some students.

We ask you to keep the following in mind:

- Please do not send your child to school if they are obviously ill and in need of medical attention.
- Please let the Student Receptionist know important details about any on-going medical problem. This is especially important if they are taking any medication.
- If a student needs to take medication during the day the medicine should be kept by the Student Receptionist.
- If a student is ill in school they should see their Form Teacher, class teacher or Progress Leader who will send them to the Student Receptionist.
- When the Student Receptionist has seen your child she may contact you to explain what is wrong. She may ask for you to arrange to collect your child from school. It is therefore very important that we have telephone numbers to contact you during the day.
- If an accident occurs we may need to send your child to hospital immediately (you will also be contacted) or we will recommend that you take your child to hospital.





Contacting the School

Parents often worry about whether to contact the school about a problem or not. No one wants to seem fussy, but our advice is that if you feel you would like to, it is best to get in touch with us, whether it is because of a problem at home or something that seems to have gone wrong at school.

By telephone:

The school's telephone number is
01633 224490.

This is the best contact if there is something we ought to know quickly. The switchboard will be open from 08.00 until 16.00 from Monday to Thursday and 08.00 until 15.30 on Friday.

You probably will not be able to speak to the person you want straight away. Most of the staff spend the majority of each day teaching. Please leave a message and ask for the teacher to ring you back. If it is urgent, please say so since it is not always possible for the teacher to ring back the same day but we will try to do so if we know that it is important.

By email:

The school's email address is
info@stjuliansschool.co.uk.

By note:

This is useful for less urgent matters. If you explain the problem in the note, the teacher can ring you back at a convenient time or can arrange a meeting.

By visiting:

If you come into school without a previously arranged appointment the teacher you want to see is unlikely to be available. We always try our best to sort out difficulties but people can get very frustrated if they think that they are not being dealt with straight away. It is better to ring before you visit.

Who to Contact:

Your first point of contact is your child's form tutor. They will be able to help with day to day issues and updates.

Contact the Form Teacher if:

- You want us to know about something good that your child has done
- Your child's work is concerning you in a general way
- Your child is unhappy in school
- You are not sure who else to contact
- There is a family, social or medical problem affecting your child

Contact the Progress Leader if:

- Your child has been punished and you do not think that it is fair
- Your child is being bullied
- You have heard of a problem in the year group that you think we should know about

Contact a subject teacher/Head of Department if:

- There is a problem which affects your child's work in the subject
- Home Learning wasn't understood, a book has been lost, the subject seems to be causing confusion at the moment

Contact the Headteacher, Deputy Headteacher or Assistant Headteacher if:

- You have tried other people and your concern has not been resolved
- You think that there is a serious problem affecting the whole school



Contact Information

The school's postal address is:
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St Julian's School is....

A well-resourced environment in which quality teaching and effective learning takes place.

A school which seeks to develop to the full the academic and social potential of each pupil.

A caring community which recognises the worth of each individual.

A team which prepares its students for life in the 21st century.