



My New School



We are really sorry that we could not get to meet you before you joined us in September as we would have hoped to do.

We have created this information pack to try to help you learn and find out some important things before you come to us; to do this you will have to do some reading, some researching and some independent thinking.

Please use this pack to help you try to familiarise yourself as much as possible with Great Baddow High School. There are tasks for you to complete to help you do this.

Mr Butcher and the SEND team

Finding my way around



Use the Map that has been included in this pack to help you with this task.
Look at the map and colour code it so you can find some of the important locations.

Choose different colours and highlight:

Place in School	Colour on map
The door I will use to come in	
Toilets	
Dinner Hall	
Lockers (in the dance studio area)	
Main Office	
Student Administration	
First Aid area	
Library	
Staff Room	
Head of Year 7 Office (now in L3!)	
The main assembly hall (Primmer)	
The Drama Studio	
The PE department (changing rooms, sports hall)	
The SEND department and classrooms (L1, L2 and L3)	

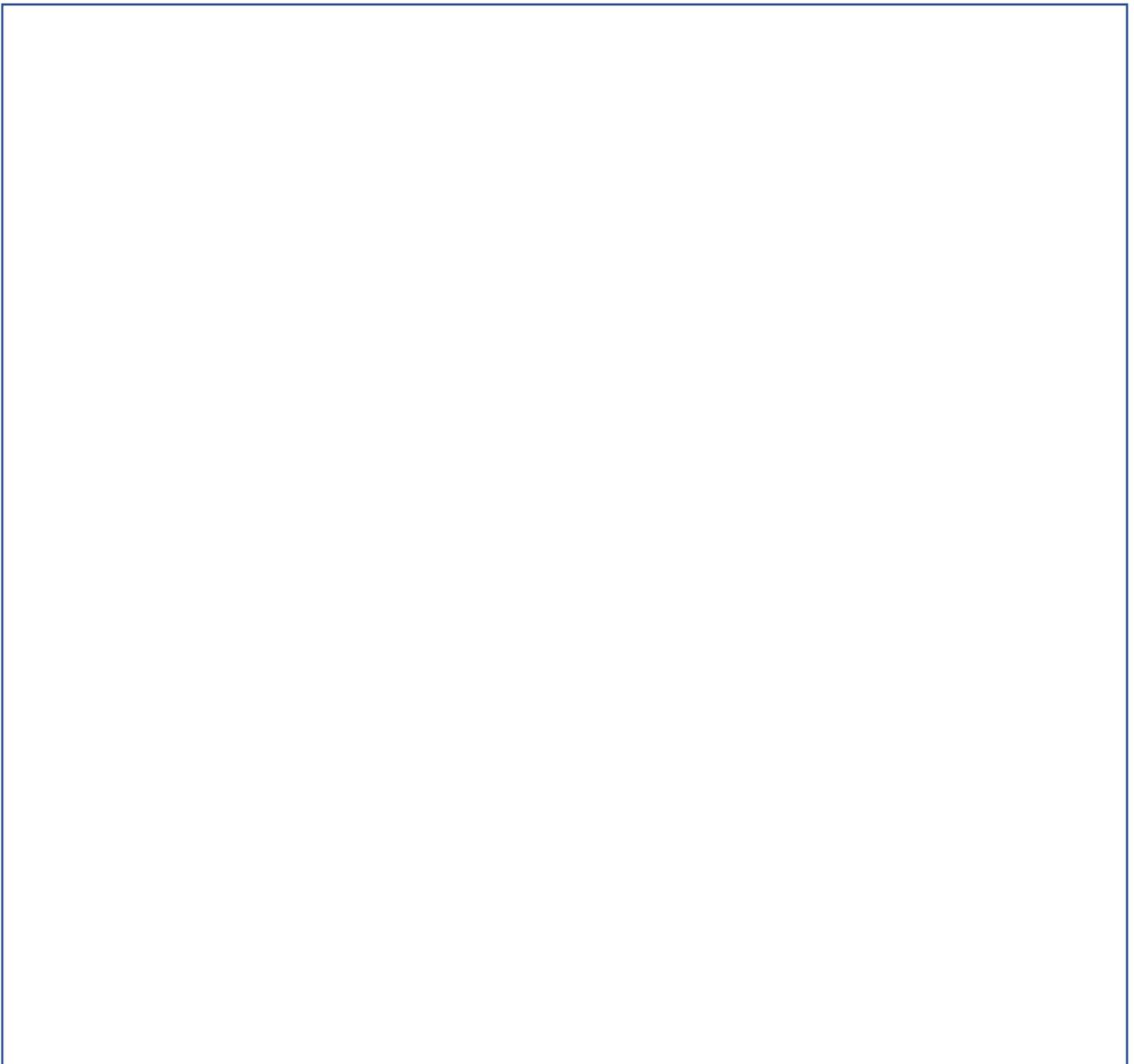
My new school – what does it look like?



Whilst we are in lockdown and schools are still closed, it may not be possible to visit your new school before September. This might be something that worries you, or you may not mind it.

To get to know what Great Baddow High School looks like, use the school website to find some pictures of the building and outside areas.

You can copy and paste, or print, cut and glue, these pictures here:





Who is important to me in my new school?

It's very important to get to know some key adults when you first come to Great Baddow High School – the adults are very helpful.

Use the information on the website and in the pack to see if you can find the names to help you fill in this table.

My Form Tutor	My Head of Year / Assistant Head of Year
SENDCO	The Learning Support Manager
The Headteacher	My Learning Support Assistants
The Transition Teacher	Other people who are important to me

My safe place to go in Great Baddow high School could be:

Questions I'd like to ask about my new school



Use this space to try to think of 5 questions that you might like to ask some of the important people in school. If we don't know the answer we will ask someone who does.

Your questions might be about how long your lessons are or what time your lunch break is or even about some of the clubs that we run in school.

Question Number	Your Question
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A bit about me

We have spoken to your teachers and your SENDCOs to find out some things about you, but we would love to hear from you.

Please complete this table to help us learn a little bit more about you! Be honest!

Things that help me if I'm upset	Things that I worry about
How to help me at break time	How to help me in lessons
How to help me around the building	Anything else you should know about me –including any awesome facts or ideas!

Staff in the SEND Department



Name

Mr Butcher

Role in school

SENDCO and Inclusion Manager at Great Baddow High School.

How long have you worked at the school?

21 years (Wow, that's long!)

What do you teach?

I teach English, PD and careers-based education.

What are your hobbies?

Outside of School I am a FITNESS FREAK and have my own gym.

I have competed in the World Team obstacle course race championships and enjoy triathlons!

I love the mountains and when I return from most school holidays you will hear me tell stories of my latest adventures! I am proud of my SEND Team and what we can do for you and I hope that you enjoy working with us as much as we will enjoy working with you!



Name

Mrs O'Dell

Role in school

I am the class teacher in charge of the KS3 transition group.

How long have you worked at the school?

8 years. In my time here I have helped develop lots of strategies to develop the SEND learning programme in years 7 and 8.

What do you teach?

English, Maths, History and Geography.

Although I enjoy teaching all of my subjects, my favourite subject is History. I love learning about History, and I enjoy visiting historical places. I have also been lucky enough to visit the Western Front with some of the Year 9 students to learn about World War One.

What are your hobbies?

I am a Brownie leader and I love reading.

I look forward to meeting you very soon.



Name

Mrs Jones

Role in school

I am the Learning Support Manager.

Part of my role is to assist Mr Butcher, to make sure that you are all supported in school in different ways.

I also manage the LSA's (Learning Support Assistant's) and make sure that they have a timetable of lessons to support.

Most of the time you can find me working in the Student Support Centre (SSC) also known as Link 2.

How long have been at the school?

16 years

Hobbies

I like reading and going to the theatre.

I am really looking forward to meeting you all and getting to know something about you when you join the school in September.



Name

Mrs Williams

Role in school

I am the Senior Learning Support Admin Assistant and I work with Mrs Jones in the SSC.

I help with testing, and I help organise the exams for upper school.

How long have been at the school?

19 years

Hobbies

Gardening, sewing, making cards and all sorts of craft.

I run a lunch time club called 'Craft Club'. We have a good time chatting and having fun while we make things.

You will also see me in the playground on duty once a week.

I look forward to seeing you in September.



Name

Mrs Banks

Role at the school

I am an LSA

How long have you been at the school?

1 year.

What subjects do you help in?

I could be in any of your lessons.

Hobbies

I love travelling and learning new things, last year I learnt to paddle board. I also love animals and spending time outdoors, cycling and swimming.

I am really looking forward to meeting you and learning a variety of subjects with you.



Name

Miss Bingley

Role at the school

I am an LSA

How long have you been at the school?

2 years

What subjects do you help in?

Geography, Science and Project (upper school) but could be in any of your lessons.

I also run a homework club, that you can come to if you have any unfinished homework.

Hobbies

Sewing, colouring and going for beauty treatments.

I am here to help you with work that you are struggling with and looking forward to meeting you all.



Name

Mrs Cook

Role in school

I am an LSA.

How long have been at the school?

2 years so I am still fairly new to this school having spent a long time working at a junior school.

What subjects do you help in?

English, Maths, Geography, science, History, PE and RE.

Hobbies

Gardening and yoga.



Name

Mr Davies

Role in school

I am an LSA

How long have been at the school?

15 years.

What subjects do you help in?

Maths, Technology and IT but I could pop up in any of your lessons.

I also organise a weekly lunchtime "Games Club" where we can play games like Chess, Dominoes and Monopoly and, more importantly, get to know each other and have some fun.

Hobbies

Football, rugby, horse racing and sport in general.

I look forward to meeting you in September



Name

Miss Iciek

Role in school

I am an LSA.

How long have been at the school?

1 year.

What subjects do you help in?

I could be in any of your lessons.

Hobbies

I am looking forward to meeting and working with you!



Name

Mrs Messin

Role in school

I am an LSA

How long have been at the school?

17 years

What subject do you help in?

English, History and Geography.

I also run a homework club, reading club called 'Book Buddies' and I help with a lunchtime duty.

Hobbies

Reading and gardening. I am also a big football fan.

Of course, coming to us from your primary school is going to be a big (but also exciting) change so if you need help with anything – just ask.



Name

Miss Preece

Role in school

I am an LSA

How long have been at the school?

1 year

What subject do you help in?

English, History and RE but I could be in any of your lessons.

Hobbies

I enjoy travelling and walking my dog.



Name

Mr Willis

Role in school

I am an LSA

How long have been at the school?

6 years

but I was a pupil here as well!

What subject do you help in?

Maths and Geography, French, RE and Music

Hobbies

I am a ski instructor; I play table tennis and I am learning to play the flute.

I attend Band Practice on a Friday at the school.

I may see some of you in September in Year 7.



Name

Miss Davis

Role in school

I am an LSA

How long have been at the school?

12 months

What subject do you help in?

I mainly support Geography, PE and Project but you may see me in other lessons.

Hobbies

I like travelling. I enjoy walking my new puppy. All things sports and fitness related.



Name

Miss Henry

Role in school

I am an LSA

How long have been at the school?

12 months.

What subject do you help in?

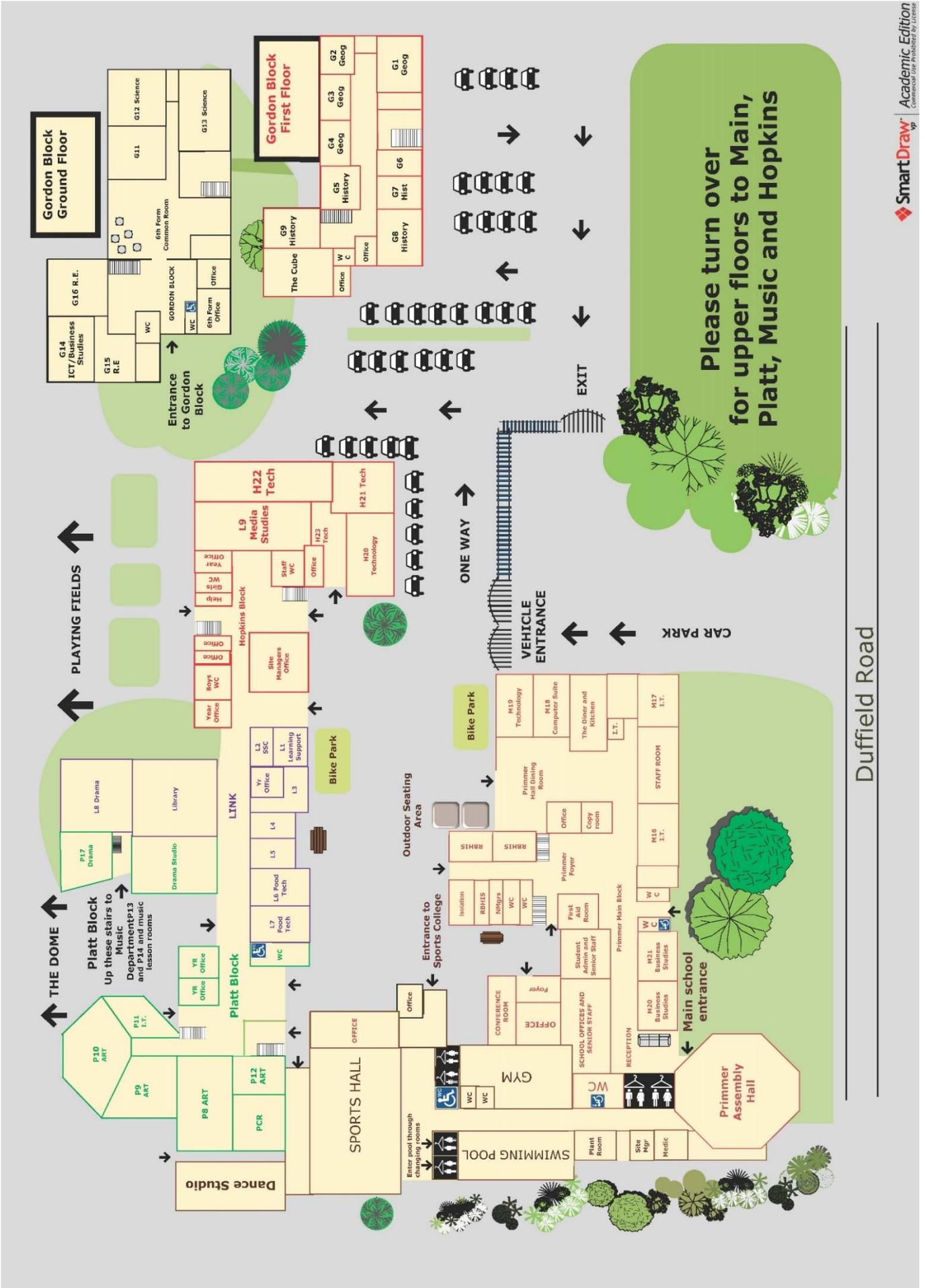
I could be in any of your lessons.

Hobbies

I like going on walks and watching my favourite TV shows on Netflix.



School Map



Please turn over for upper floors to Main, Platt, Music and Hopkins

Duffield Road

