



What to expect at  
secondary school

# Welcome to year 7

There are 240 students in year 7 alone

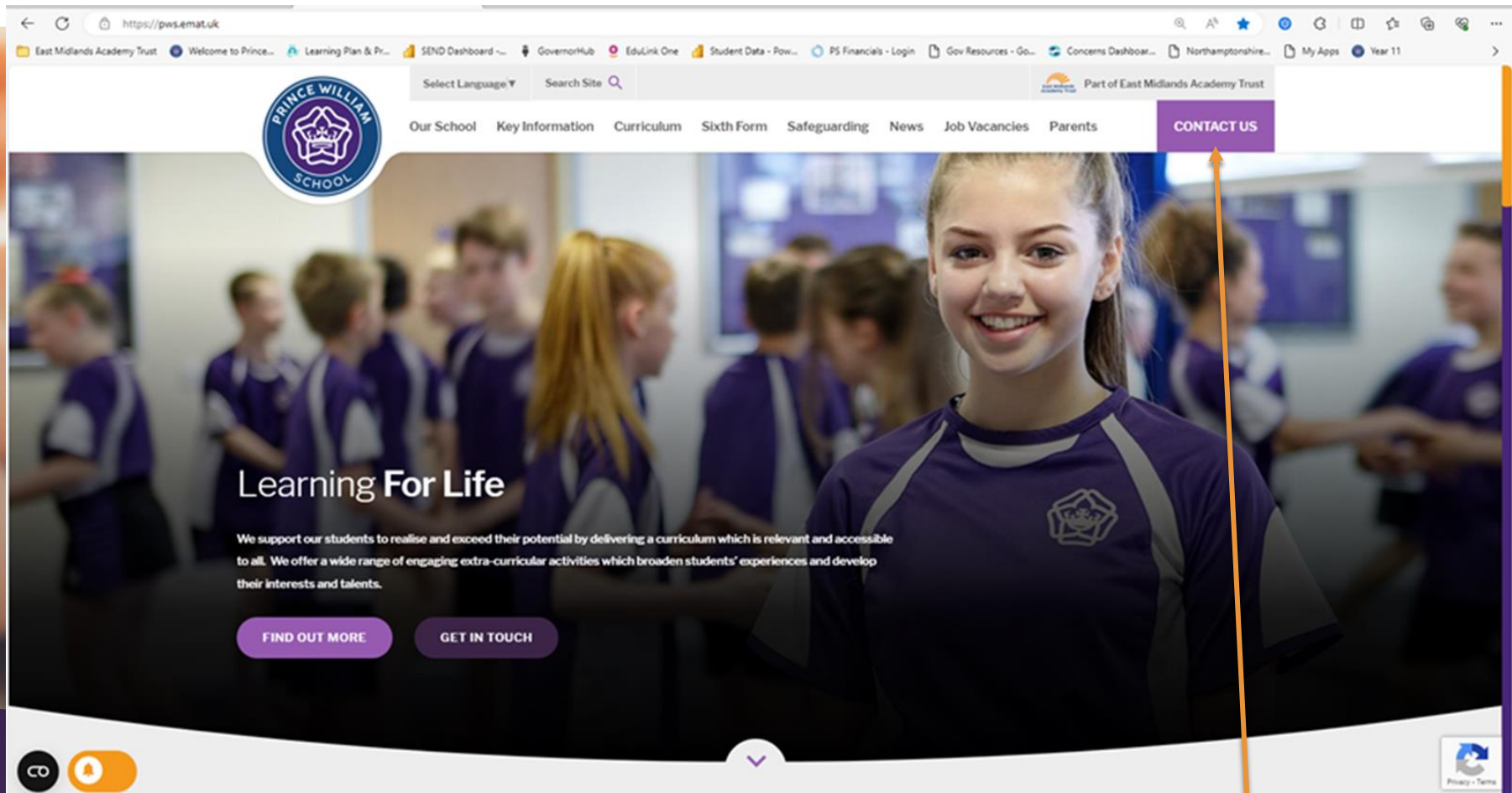
Over 1350 students in the school

We have to have complex systems and structures

Communication may be different from primary schools



How to contact us:



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## Contact Us

To get in touch with the school please fill in the contact form or email us using the contact details in the quick contacts list below

[Quick contacts list](#)

Reception Opening Hours:  
Mon-Fri 8am-4pm

Recipient/Department

Your Name

Telephone



# How to contact us:



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Humanities@pws.emat.uk	Geography, History, Politics, and Religion Philosophy & Ethics
Maths@pws.emat.uk	Maths
MFL@pws.emat.uk	French and Spanish
PE@pws.emat.uk	PE
PerformingArts@pws.emat.uk	Dance, Drama, and Music
Science@pws.emat.uk	Science, Biology, Chemistry, and Physics
SfL@pws.emat.uk	Skills for Life and Careers
SocialSciences@pws.emat.uk	Criminology, Child Development, Health & Social Care, Psychology, and Sociology
Email	Year group
Year7@pws.emat.uk	7
Year8@pws.emat.uk	8
Year9@pws.emat.uk	9
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# Reports and parent evenings

Meet the Tutor  
and Information  
evening  
(in school)

**12 Oct.**

2nd reports

**25 Jan.**

3rd reports +  
comments

**23 May**

**16 Nov.**

1st reports

**21 Mar.**

Teacher/parent  
evening (online)



# Online teacher/parent evenings

- ▶ Consultation about online teacher/parent evening found that online was preferred by majority – no queues and can be done from anywhere!
- ▶ In secondary schools, teachers may teach across 7 different year groups – so can only have one evening for each year group.
- ▶ Many teachers will teach several classes within each year group, especially at KS3. They may teach over a hundred year 7s!
- ▶ Teacher/parent evenings need to use time as efficiently as possible.





# Reports



Report will show, for each subject,

- ▶ Name of teacher
- ▶ The 'Flight-path target grade' (the grade they should be working at)
- ▶ Their 'Working At Grade' (the grade the teacher thinks they are actually working at)
- ▶ Their ATL (Attitude to Learning) grade (1 – 4)

The flight path target is calculated for each subject using KS2 SATs to predict GCSE targets and then breaking that down into subgrades for each term across the 5 years.

Year 7 may not have grades for all subjects in first term as may not have had many lessons in certain subjects

# How flight path targets are set

Year 7			Year 8			Year 9			Year 10			Year 11			End of KS4
Report 1	Report 2	Report 3	Report 1	Report 2	Report 3	Report 1	Report 2	Report 3	Report 1	Report 2	Report 3	Report 1	Report 2	Report 3	End of KS4
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Events  
involving year  
7 planned for  
this year, so  
far...!



Nov

Trip to 'Harry Potter' studio



5 Dec

Winter showcase concert



19 Dec

Christmas with Disney  
(dance & drama show)



26 Mar

Spring concert



April and June

UK Maths Challenges



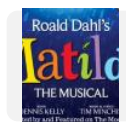
26 June

Trust Olympic Day



7 July

Sports Day



19 July

Trip to see Matilda

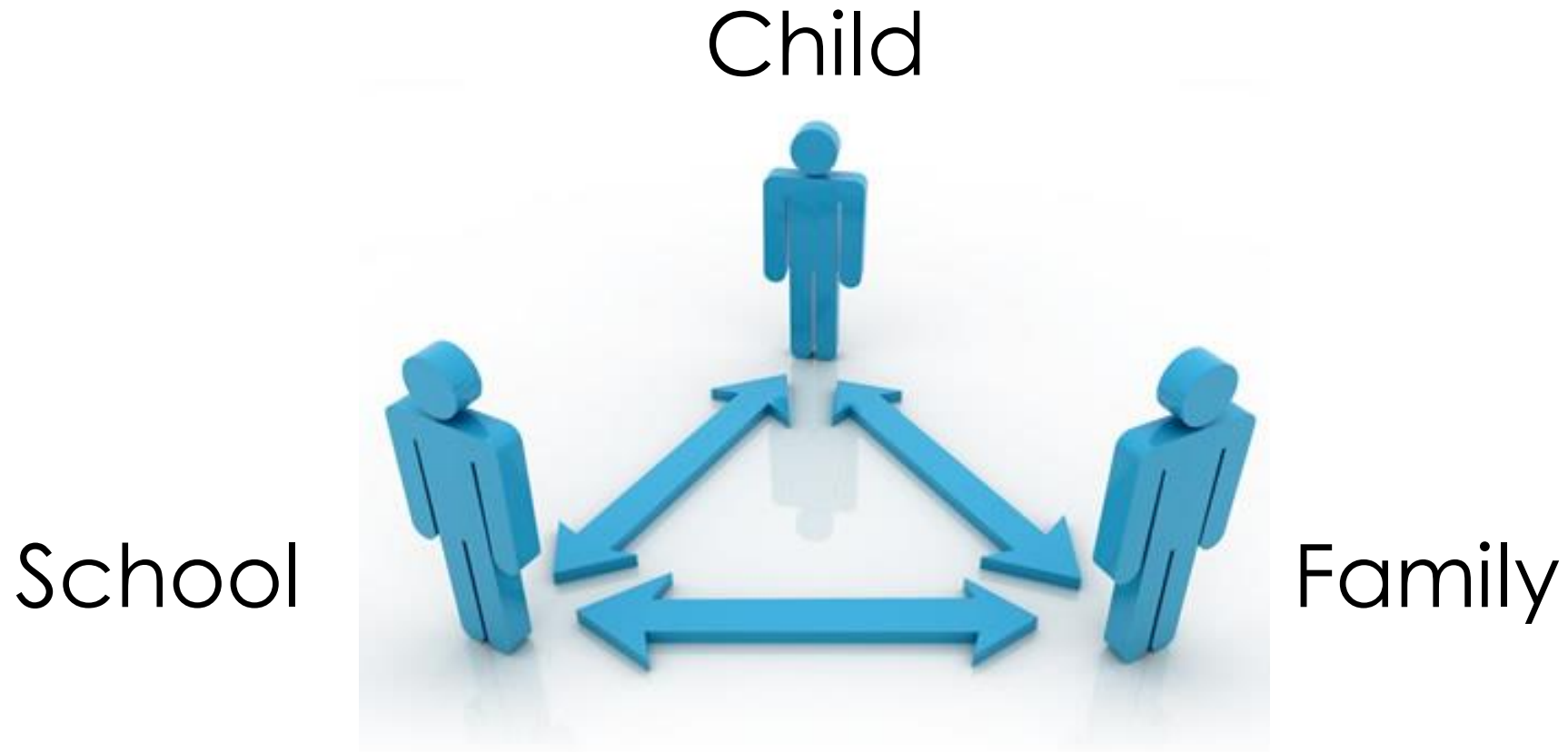
# Other activities available

Concert Band, Flute Choir, String Group, Training Band, Jazz Band, Singing Club, Guitar Ensemble, Football Practice, Netball Practice, Sports Club, Rugby Club, Insect Macrophotography and recording, Breakfast Club (invite only), Chinese Language and Culture, Christmas with Disney, Book Club, Chess Club, Me to We, Dungeons and Dragons, Bible Study, Souster Drama Club, Faith Club, Board Games Club, Metal Monday





# Partnership with Parents



# How you can help us to support your child

- ▶ your child in school everyday!
- ▶ your child in proper uniform and with all necessary equipment
- ▶ read your child's diary frequently and sign it weekly
- ▶ support with homework and recording of activities
- ▶ check Arbor regularly
- ▶ attend parent evenings
- ▶ show them you value their education highly

# Punctuality and Attendance

- ▶ Research shows that 17 missed days of school per year (91% attendance) results in children achieving one grade lower in their GCSEs
- ▶ We aim for student attendance to be above 97% (fewer than 6 days absent per year)

***Students are only required to be in school for 190 days per year.***

***That leaves 175 days for holidays, family time, outings, shopping and other appointments***



# Ready to Learn – essential equipment



Pen



Pencil



Ruler

## Get Ready to Learn



Eraser

ID badge

Planner



# Home Learning - a balance!

- ▶ Tasks set by subject teachers (about 180 mins/week total)
- ▶ Reading – with parent or on own (about 50 mins/week total)
- ▶ Extra-curricular activity (60 mins/week)
- ▶ Wellbeing activity (min. 10 mins/week)

## **Total 5 hours a week**

Please help them find a quiet space to do teacher-set tasks.

Students log the reading, extra-curricular, and wellbeing activities they do in their diaries. Please sign your child's diary every week to confirm.



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