

Striving for Excellence



Community - Aspiration -Respect - Endeavour



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'The start of a seven year journey'





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Education vs. Schooling

- Vyners Learning Journey
- Enrichment curriculum
- Experiences
- Super curriculum
- Rounded and grounded





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High expectations

The importance of parents

Parents are not "first teachers" but "first learners" – as the parents learn, so do their children. Parental expectation about learning is among the most powerful home influences, and the home needs to promote a "language and love of learning".

This means parents talk to their children about their learning at school and home. This also means they enjoy the struggle, failures and successes when learning together, and set fair boundaries to take on increased challenges and learning safely.

This might mean being clear about what success looks like for a child cleaning their room. It might mean allowing multiple opportunities to succeed and talking about errors and failure as opportunities to learn.

Professor John Hattie, Melbourne Graduate School of Education



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'High performance parenting'

- Recognise your influence
- Growth mindset
- Consistent messages
- Remain interested
- High support: High challenge
- Mental health / well-being





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"The question is usually not how well each person performs but how well they work together."

Vince Lombardi





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- Parents' evenings
- Attendance
- Home learning environment
- Academic reports
- Friends of Vyners
- Futures Fund

- Vyners Parent Forums
- Co-curricular events
- Reading
- Mentoring / coaching



FriendsOfVyners



Come and see us to find out more or register your interest via the QR code







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Year 7 Tutor Team

Mr Abraham: Year 7 Leader Ms Kaur: Deputy Year 7 Leader Miss Pape: Assistant Headteacher



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Year 7 Tutor Team

| 7 Cheshire | Mr Smith (absent 2nd July) | | |
|--------------|-------------------------------|--|--|
| 7 Fry | Ms Dao | | |
| 7 Gell | Ms Florea | | |
| 7 Huxley | Mr Harper | | |
| 7 Jagger | Mr Alhadeff (absent 2nd July) | | |
| 7 John Miles | Ms Shah | | |
| 7 Parks | Mr Shah | | |
| 7 Windsor | Ms Woodward (absent 2nd July) | | |



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Communication Routes for Parents/ Carers

Continuous dialogue between school, home and students is essential.

- <u>Tutors</u> should be your first point of call but please contact all members of staff via the school office
- <u>Subject specific queries</u> and questions need to go directly to your child's specific subject teacher
- Edulink
- School website
- Parent information evening early in the Autumn Term

Year Leader: jabraham@vynersschool.org.uk Other: office@vynersschool.org.uk



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The Perfect Uniform

Wear the Vyners School uniform with pride!

| Form Group House | House | Colour Gold | |
|------------------|------------|----------------|--|
| C | Cheshire | | |
| F | Fry | Light Blue | |
| G | Gell | White | |
| Н | Huxley | Purple | |
| J | Jaggar | Silver | |
| M | John Miles | Green | |
| P | Parks | Royal Blue | |
| W | Windsor | Yellow | |





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The Perfect Uniform

- No Trainers unless medical reason with a doctor's note.
- No Jewellery except a wrist watch. If ears are pierced then only one small plain gold or silver coloured stud may be worn in either one or each ear lobe.
- Hair must be one natural colour and a "grade 2" haircut is the shortest allowed. No lines or shapes are permitted to be shaved into hair or eyebrows.
- Make-up, false eyelashes and nail varnish should not be worn.
- White Socks (not sports socks) or tights with skirts. Black socks can be worn with trousers.
- Vyners School Facebook for pre-owned uniform
- Information will be sent out after today, including details of the pop-up shop which runs in school over the holiday.



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The Vyners Learning Journey

Co-Curricular Clubs

- Expectation that students are involved in at least one club
- Lots of choice
- Everything is available to view on the school website

Taking Opportunities

- Being ambassadors for the school
- Becoming leaders
- Serving the community





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Barriers to Learning

- Maturity
- Negative behaviours
- Organisation
- Ownership of their own learning
- Independence
- Well being & mental health
- Attendance



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Barriers to Learning

- Attendance
- -The school expects over 95% attendance
- -The national average is around 92%

| Attendance during one school year | Equivalent Days | Equivalent Weeks | Equivalent lessons missed | Equivalent lessons missed over 5 years |
|---|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|--|
| 90% | 19 Days | 4 Weeks | 95 Lessons | 475 Lessons 20 Weeks (half the school year) |



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Mobile Phones & Social Media

- Social media and phone usage has to be monitored by parents.
- We are finding that children have social media accounts with the full knowledge of their parents.
- We are committed to educating our children about online safety and how to manage friendship fallouts; we find that this is being undermined by parents allowing children unrestricted access to age restricted social media.
- By working together we can ensure that our children are kept safe from harm, be that through bullying or potentially meeting online predators, who seek to groom and exploit young children.
- Please support us by helping your child to manage the use of their phone outside of school hours and please don't try to contact your child during the school day on their mobile phone.
- Government guidance published in February 2024 on the use of mobile phones; Vyners adopts the "never used, seen or heard" approach.



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Age Restrictions on Social Media

Facebook Twitter Instagram Snapchat TikTok Kik Ask.fm Periscope

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Tumblr Pinterest Reddit



Houseparty

13+

YouTube WeChat Whisper Yubo

(13+ means with parental consent)

16 LinkedIn Whatsapp



18 Tinder **Bumble** Hinge





Vyners School Chromebook Programme 2024







KEY DATES

PORTAL LOGIN DETAILS

Order From: 10th June 2024 Order Deadline: 10th July 2024 1st Payment Date: 25th July 2024 www.tech4learners.co.uk Username: Vyners2024 Password: S3cure02!

BENEFITS TO PUPILS AND PARENTS

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Low cost monthly payments A sleek and modern learning device at an affordable price

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Comprehensive device cover

All encompassing repair service for any technical fault, accidental damage, or theft

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Enhanced learning opportunity

Enhanced classroom experiences in support of blended learning

Dedicated ordering portal

Simple ordering, payment collections and repair service for parents

No personal credit checks

Helping to increase digital access within all corners of the community

Acer Chromebook 311 C723



From £14.07 per month

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30 month Extended Warranty

Chrome Management Console

30 month Advanced Repair Service

Ownership at end – no additional cost

School Software, Applications, Network Access

Price Includes:

Specification:

- MediaTek Kompanio 528 Processor
- 11.6" HD Display (non touchscreen)
- 4GB Memory
- 64GB eMMC storage
- Rugged Education Design

SAVE up to £171.29

(based on 30 month direct debit vs High Street RRP)

Place your order now to secure your device!

Go to: www.tech4learners.co.uk

Email: Your own

Username: Vyners2024

Password: S3cure02!

If you are experiencing any difficulty logging in, please check our FAQ section at www.freedomtech.co.uk/faq/



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English Summer Reading Project

- Today all students were loaned a copy of a fantastic book, *The Daydreamer* by Ian McEwan.
- Students are asked to read this book over the summer and independently hand write a book review on it.
- A template and instructions on how to complete it were handed out in a letter and can be found on the school website.
- In September, teachers will take in the book reviews to gain an understanding of each student's writing level.
- Students will hand in their loaned copy.



Reading Initiative for September -Bookbuzz

Bookbuzz is a reading programme from BookTrust that aims to help schools inspire a love of reading in 11 to 13-year-olds. Participating schools give their students the opportunity to choose their own book to purchase from a list of 16 titles.

They have selected a wide variety of titles, from non-fiction reads for curious minds to fast-paced page-turners to make sure that Bookbuzz has something for everyone.

The English Department will write to parents in September to ask anyone who would like to participate to pay £3.30 through the online payment system.





Important Notices

- Squid (cashless catering) letters were sent to the primary home address we have been given for your child. If you haven't received them by tonight, please email <u>admissions@vynersschool.org.uk</u>.
- The locker offer closes promptly on the last day of term (19th July). You are getting first refusal on the current empty lockers; however, if you miss the deadline, there will be a second chance in September, but you will be competing against students in other year groups.
- We do not allow parents to drop off items during the school day that children have forgotten. This is because of the sheer number of students on site (1500+). We need parental support to ensure your child comes to school with everything they need for the day please.



Important Notices

- Read 'The Daydreamer' by Ian McEwan and hand write a book review.
- Complete activities from the 'Be your best' booklet they were given today
 Pages 4, 5, 6 and 7.
- Students will need to bring both the book, book review and booklet with them on their first day.

Tuesday 3rd & Wednesday 4th September 2024

- Your child is to meet in the Quad at 8.30am (no parents on site)
- Food from the canteen can only be purchased via Squid (cashless catering). Alternatively bring lunch with you.
- Students will be dismissed at 2pm on these days. If you wish to collect your child, please meet them outside of the school gates. They can wait for older siblings in the LRC on site until 3pm on 4th September only.
- Parents should not park on school site and should park away from Warren Road.

