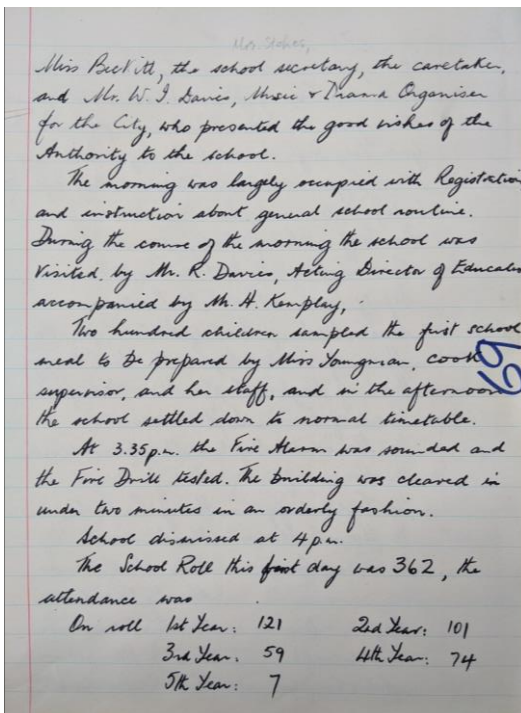
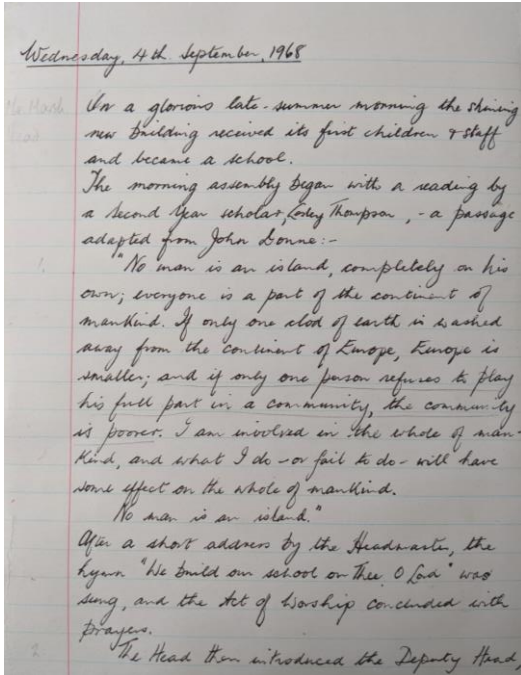


# Welcome back...

## Time Capsule

Whilst we have been cleaning and refurbishing the school we have found the original journals from the first headmaster! It is such an amazing find and over the next few weeks we will be sharing the stories from the school's opening and comparing them to our Academy life now.

Eastmoor High School opened its doors 4 September 1968



"You get a new year, you get a new start, you get a new opportunity" Author B. Butler could not have known what those words would mean to us in 2020! Our students have grabbed this opportunity with both hands this week, but more about that later.

It was great to welcome back our students and staff. It was also a real pleasure to welcome lots of new people to the school community this week. The most obvious group of new family members would be the Year 7s. They have been superb in class and out of it and a credit to their parents/carers and to their former primary schools. They have enjoyed a variety of activities this week including: rounders, dance, and art. To celebrate their great start, Year 7 had ice cream at lunch time on Friday. We are excited for next week and what this brings for them too!

### What's new?

Lots! Too much to list here. But the main changes are:

- 1) Hygiene routines
- 2) Resource sharing
- 3) Arrival and departure routines

1) Students have been brilliant at washing their hands as they arrive on site each morning at one of the three washing stations. They have established great routines with regular cleaning/washing and sanitising as they move through school and at break and lunch. They've also shown a lot of maturity when learning (and adhering to) the new zones or 'bubbles' and the other measures put in place to be socially responsible.



2) Across the Academy, each student has been given an individual pack of resources that can either be left in their bubble or taken with them around school. This gives students some independence and some responsibility. Never a bad thing. Another



Covid 19 sensible benefit to this is it also means we are reducing the amount of things that are given to students on a daily basis. They have been fantastic at bringing their equipment to lesson and remaining organised. Long may it continue!

3) The arrival and departure of students has been excellent. They are arriving at their designated time and lessons have been starting promptly. Mostly, they have understood the importance of not grouping outside of school too.

# Introductions

**Mrs Michelle Colledge-Smith**  
Principal

I have worked at City Fields for one year and I have enjoyed getting to know the students, staff and parents. I am trained as a Religious Studies teacher and have been teaching since 2000. I have worked for Outwood since 2001.

**Miss Jodie Ragan**  
Year 7 Learning Manager  
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I am the Learning Manager for year 7. I have worked at City Fields for just over a year now and feel that my expertise is working with the younger students supporting their transition into secondary school. My role is to provide pastoral support to all students in my year group to ensure they get everything they need to achieve their full potential.

**Mrs Susan Harrison**  
Vice Principal

I trained as a French teacher at Leeds University in 1990 and have worked in France, London, Doncaster and Castleford. I started working at Wakefield City High School in 1997 as Head of Modern Languages teaching French. During my time here, I have seen lots of changes, but have enjoyed being part of this school community so much, I've never wanted to move elsewhere again!

**Mr Adam Batley**  
Year 8 Learning Manager  
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Hi, I'm Mr Batley. I've worked here for 7 years. I love working here and being part of a multicultural and diverse environment. In my spare time I like to stay active with the Gym and martial arts!

**Mrs Alison McQueen**  
Associate Vice Principal

Alison McQueen and my role is Vice Principal working across academies within the Central region of the trust. I started teaching English in 1999. I have always loved teaching and being part of the school community and I am excited to have the opportunity to work at Outwood City Fields.

**Miss Jessica Wilson**  
Year 9 Learning Manager  
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I am the Year 9 Learning Manager. I have worked at City Fields for almost 3 years. I enjoy supporting students within their classrooms to encourage them to achieve their full potential and to ensure they have a positive and happy secondary education with us.

**Mrs Helen Alderson**  
Assistant Principal

I have been teaching since 2011 and started my career as a teacher of Physical Education in Wakefield City Academy. I am proud to work in a forward thinking, inclusive, vibrant academy where all staff and stakeholders are committed to ensuring the best education, outcomes and life chances for the students at Outwood Academy City Fields.

**Mr Jamie Lewton**  
Year 10 Learning Manager  
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I have been with City Fields for nearly 2 years. I am the Learning Manager for Year 10. Previously I worked in the HR team at both City Fields and Freeston. I have been with my year group since Year 8 and am amazed by how fast time has gone and how the year group has grown. I can't wait to see what the year has in store but I know as Year 10 they will be amazing.

**Miss Michelle Marriott**  
Assistant Principal

I have had the pleasure of working with OGAT for 7 years and at Outwood Academy City Fields for 1 year. I trained as a Science teacher, which I am still very passionate about, and as Assistant Principal I am looking after teaching and learning across the academy.

**Mrs Jessica Hough**  
Year 11 Learning Manager  
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I have worked at Outwood Academy City Fields (formally Wakefield City Academy) for eight years now starting as an apprentice in administration and working my way up to Year 11 Learning Manager. I enjoy working with the older year groups and I feel my specialisms are around exams and data. I am a football fanatic who loves my home town team Leeds United.



# Reminders

## Timings of the day Local Community

When students leave the Academy site, we strongly advise they go straight home and do not go to the shops in the local area or hang around the Terminus. Others need to use this area to get the bus and it is difficult to remain socially distant here. As well as this, elderly and vulnerable people make use of the pharmacy and we all need to be mindful of the wider community at this time.

If students must make use of the shops, they must follow the rules that the shop/s have put in place. For example, each shop at the Terminus has rules about how many people are allowed in the shops at any one time. They also observe social distancing rules. We must respect this and all of us have to wear a mask when inside the shop/s. Thank you in advance for reminding each other of these rules when off school site.

	Can arrive from	Start lessons at	Finish time	Access point
7	8.00am	8.25am	2.30pm	Arncliffe Road
8	8.10am	8.25am	2.30pm	Warmfield View
9	8.25am	8.45am	2.50pm	Warmfield View
10	8.05am	8.25am	2.30pm	Arncliffe Road
11	8.25am	8.45am	2.50pm	Arncliffe Road

## Social Distancing

We know that students are excited to see each other but they must remain socially distant when they are on social time and they must also not touch each other. We have reminded students about being in their own space and discussed how to be socially distant during our ACE programme, but can you speak to your children about this as they make their way to and from school.

## Masks



Whilst it is not compulsory for students and staff to wear masks in school we are strongly recommending it. Students will have seen lots of staff in school wearing visors and/or masks during the day. We have explained to students why we are wearing them and how they should wear their mask if they choose to. Some students are electing to wear them as a precaution and we really welcome this as a way for us all to feel safe and be safer. We do have disposable masks in school for students to use if they wish to but it would be great to see more and more students taking the government's advice.



Government advice - <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/face-coverings-when-to-wear-one-and-how-to-make-your-own/face-coverings-when-to-wear-one-and-how-to-make-your-own>

## Cashless site

Outwood Academy City Fields is a cashless site. If students wish to pay for anything, including lunch, they must have iPay set up. If you are experiencing problems with your iPay account please contact school using the contact us section of the website. [www.cityfields.outwood.com/contact](http://www.cityfields.outwood.com/contact)

## Reading

Reading is absolutely key to students getting back into academic learning habits. This week we are reading the following with students:

- Year 7- 'Ruby in the Smoke' by P. Pullman.
- Year 8- Non Fiction- Including the mighty sport of cheese-rolling☺.
- Year 9 - 'Of Mice and Men' a novella by J. Steinbeck.
- Year 10- 'Afternoons', 'To Autumn' and an excerpt from 'The Prelude' by Larkin, Keats and Wordsworth respectively.
- Year 11- The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde by Robert L Stevenson.

### Reading for Pleasure

Given our commitment to fostering a love of reading, Years 7, 8 and 9 also have a class novel that they read together once a week for pleasure. Their copy is in their bag. Perhaps you could read some together at home?