

WELCOME TO YEAR 7 AT TNHA



Hello and Welcome to Year 7

You have just become part of 'Team 7' and we wanted to send this newsletter to you to introduce you both to your new school and the staff that are here to support and guide you through your first year at secondary school.

We hope that this guide will help you feel much more informed and excited about the idea of starting with us soon, we are excited to meet you all! This is how your support looks...





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We are so excited to get to know you... but who are we?

So that you can get to know us really well, we have put together a profile of ourselves ... and here we are!







An interview with...
Mrs Warnes

'Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall.'

What moment do you feel most proud of?	Getting a C grade in my GCSE Maths as I worked so hard for it.
What is your favourite place you have visited?	Storms River, South Africa. It is a place where the sea meets a river and you stand on a suspension bridge at that point. It is humbling.
What degree do you have?	English
What A-Levels did you take?	English, Classical Civilisation, History, Psychology
What is your favourite book?	Any book I can lose myself in. I like to read to imagine feeling what it is like to walk in someone else's shoes. I am partial to a bit of Jane Austen though. I am an old romantic at heart!
I think people should be...	Respectful, kind and thoughtful to others - always

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Teacher Profile

MRS WARNES
PASTORAL
DIRECTOR

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An interview with...

Mrs Teanby

**Head of Year 7 & Year 6
Transition/Teacher of PE**

What moment do you feel most proud of?

Probably becoming a mother to my two children Arthur (4.5yrs old) and Betsy (2.5 year old). I'm also proud that I have ran The Great North Run half marathon race a few times, it was a great experience.

What is your favourite place you have visited?

On Safari in South Africa – the experience was truly amazing.

What is your favourite TV programme?

I love watching crime based programmes like Silent Witness, Waking the Dead, Line of Duty. My favourite box set has to be Downton Abbey.

What are your hobbies?

My hobbies are playing netball in the West Norfolk League, running, I really enjoy baking and love watching The Great British Bake Off.

Random fact...

I once came 4th in the Junior London Mini Marathon despite breaking my arm at the start of the race. I also have a weird pudding phobia and can't eat jelly and ice cream in the same bowl, or ice cream with hot desserts.

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**MRS TEANBY
HEAD OF YEAR**



An interview with...

Mr Bristow

**(Head of Year 7 & Year 6
Transition)**

What moment do you feel most proud of?

Completing the 2017 London Marathon despite carrying an injury- it took a lot of determination.

What is your favourite place you have visited?

Disneyland Florida was very nice and the food was amazing!

What are your hobbies?

I enjoy all sports and keeping active. I enjoy helping others and trying to learn new skills

What is your favourite film/T.V series?

Step Brothers or Dumb and Dumber- Any film which makes me laugh. T.V- Grew up watching the Simpsons

Who is your hero?

Lots of sportsmen and women but if I had to choose 1- Alan Shearer, one of Newcastle United's only decent players of the last 20 years!

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**MR. BRISTOW
HEAD OF YEAR**

MRS O'SULLIVAN STUDENT SUPPORT



An interview with... Mrs O'Sullivan Student Support Leader Yr6/7

- Where did you grow up? I was born in Chester, but we moved when I was 5yrs old to Rutland in Leicestershire.
- Where did you study? I studied at DeMontfort College of FE & then University of Highlands & Islands in Scotland.
- What is your favourite book? I am always reading and hate to be without a book, my fave is Dragonfly in Amber by Diana Gabaldon.
- What is your favourite band? Everyone knows that I love George Michael! I cried for days when he passed away. I also love Train & Lizzo.
- Random fact... I grew up with 4 sisters and a brother. My sisters are in the picture! It was a very busy household of eight!
I am terrified of hedgehogs and tortoises.
- I think people should be... Curious...never stop asking questions, learning & exploring. Live life to its fullest!

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An interview with... Mrs Cooper Maths/ English and SEN teacher

'If plan A didn't work, keep cool. The alphabet has 25 other letters.'

- What moment do you feel most proud of? Completing my second marathon and volunteering at London 2012 and Glasgow Commonwealth games
- What degree do you have? Sport Studies and Counselling
- What is your favourite book? Agatha Raisin Series
- What is your favourite TV programme? Hollyoaks, Emmerdale, Silent Witness, Death in Paradise, Cop Squad
- What are your hobbies? Sport, Sleeping, Reading, Shopping, Watching TV

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MRS COOPER TEACHER OF SEN ENGLISH & MATHS



An interview with...

Mrs Smith

(Head of Humanities/Teacher of Geography and Year 7 Tutor)

What moment do you feel most proud of?

My proudest achievement is having two beautiful children (Olivia 8 and Harry 4) and becoming a teacher.

What is your favourite place you have visited?

My favourite 2 places in the world are when I visited Hawaii on my honeymoon it was magical and Las Vegas!

What degree do you have?

I have a Bsc Environmental Science degree and Post Graduate Certificate in Education – I did both my degrees at UEA

What is your favourite band?

Without doubt the Spice Girls! Got to see them last year in concert!

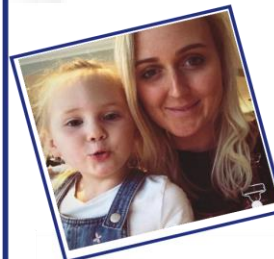
Random fact... I think people should be...

I used to go to a dance school in London and have been in a number of Ballets in the West End

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**MRS SMITH
YR. 7 TUTOR
HEAD OF
HUMANITIES &
TEACHER OF
GEOGRAPHY**



An interview with...

Miss Watson

Teacher of Science & Year 7 Form Tutor

What moment do you feel most proud of?

Receiving my operational tour medal for my 7-month tour of Afghanistan.

What is your favourite film?

Mrs Doubtfire!

What is your favourite TV programme?

Gavin and Stacey & The Great British Bake Off

What are your hobbies?

I love running and I am currently training for the London Marathon! I also love baking – carrot cake is my speciality. My daughter LOVES to help me too!

Random fact...

I served in the Army for 10 years before becoming a teacher. I was a Combat Medic in the Royal Army Medical Corps.

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**MISS WATSON
YR. 7 TUTOR
TEACHER OF
SCIENCE**



**An interview with...
Miss Thomson**

Where did you grow up?

I am a proud Northerner! I grew up in Romiley in Stockport. It's on the edge of the Peak District National Park and a 20-minute train ride from Manchester. Perfect!

What is your favourite place you have visited?

The most amazing place I have visited is Angkor Wat in Cambodia.

What is your favourite film?



What is your favourite band?

I love music! My favourite bands usually play Rock or Indie music. I've seen Bon Jovi 12 times, which I don't think is nearly enough!



I think people should be...

I think people should be kind. Kindness improves all our lives.

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**MISS THOMSON
YR. 7 TUTOR
TEACHER OF GEOGRAPHY**



**An interview with...
Miss Cullum
(Assistant Director of Maths)**

Where did you grow up?

I grew up in the countryside, near Holt, with my parents, brother, 3 cats and a dog.

What degree do you have?
Where did you study?

I have a degree in Psychology which I obtained from Nottingham Trent University, and a Masters in Educational Research which I achieved last year at the University of East Anglia.

What is your favourite book?

My favourite books are the Hunger Games trilogy.

What are your hobbies?

In my spare time, I enjoy playing Netball with Miss Caro, and baking lots of sweet treats.

Random fact...

I am terrified of ladybirds!

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**MISS CULLUM
YR 7 TUTOR
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF MATHS**

**MR GRACEY
YR 7 TUTOR
TEACHER OF
HUMANITIES**



**An interview with...
Mr. Gracey
Humanities Teacher &
Year 7 Tutor**

Where did you grow up?

In Nottingham – I have also lived in Lincoln, Sheffield, and now Norfolk; I've lived in a lot of places!

What is your favourite place you have visited?

I spent last summer travelling around Ecuador (in South America), exploring and teaching English – that was an amazing experience!

What degree do you have?

Because I love learning, I actually have two degrees – my Undergraduate is in International Relations and Politics, and my Masters is in Global History. Both involved a lot of writing – which I enjoyed doing!

I think people should be...

Excited! Life is full of opportunities and we all have the ability to achieve great things – I hope you all feel excited to start at your new school. This is my first year at this school too, and I am very excited to meet you all!



**An interview with...
MISS CRONE
(Teacher of
Modern Foreign Languages)**

What is your favourite place you have visited?

Madrid - it's an incredible city!

What A-Levels do you have?

French, Spanish and History

What degree do you have?

French and Spanish (BA Hons), PGCE

What is your favourite film?

Finding Nemo - who doesn't love a little orange clownfish!

I think people should be...

Kinder - we need more of this in the world.

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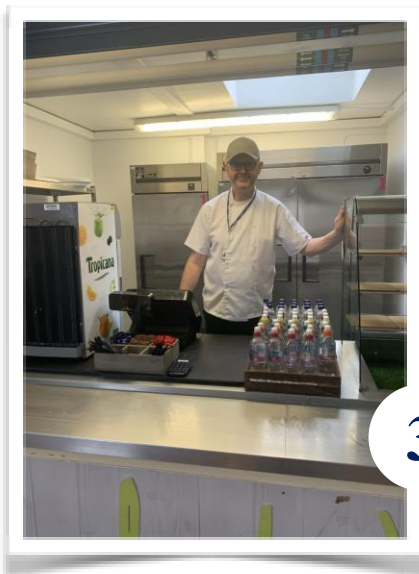
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**MISS CRONE
YR 7 TUTOR
TEACHER OF
MODERN
FOREIGN
LANGUAGES**



This is where we all come in to school in the morning. Staff will always be on the doors to greet you each day...get your happy smile ready!

Our foyer shows us a reminder that we all our determined to be... 'the best that we can be'



Menus for the week and prices are always on display!

This is our hall, this is where we hold assemblies, some sports are also played in this hall, and every morning, break time and lunch time you can go to the canteen and access hot and cold food from Graham and his team.

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This is your Student Support Office, it is the only glass room in the building and it is at the bottom of the stairs near the Science block.

In here you will find Mr Bristow, Mrs Teanby and Mrs O'Sullivan.



This is where you can come to ask questions, look for help, report anything that is bothering you, contact your parents if you have forgotten something...the list of everything that we can help you with is endless.

Never ever worry about coming to talk to us, we love to have a chat and get to know you in here!

We also LOVE to put up displays in our window!



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This corridor leads off the foyer and most language lessons are taught down here. At the bottom is the Science and humanities block.

This is also where you will find the Finance Office and main toilets.



We call this area 'Grand Central' as it is right in the centre of the academy and leads onto both playgrounds and upstairs.

This is a popular area for students to spend their social time and is normally quite busy.

This is the long downstairs corridor from the other end, taken outside the Year 7 Student Support Office and looking back up towards the foyer, Grand Central is right in the middle of the picture.



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This corridor leads to the PE Dept and one of our Sports areas, the gym. The awards on the walls show what a wonderful and varied sports programme we offer and how competitive TNHA students are!

We have several computer rooms that look like this throughout the school, you will be given a school email address and log in details when you get here.



Upstairs you will find our wonderfully stocked library and learning centre.

Most of English and Maths are taught along the top corridor and there are three sets of stairs leading up to these rooms.



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Our 'back playground' tends to be where most of Team 7 spends their social time. You can of course spend your social time throughout other areas in the academy, but this space is the biggest (and the best!)

Another social space which can be accessed from pretty much everywhere in the academy.

There are picnic benches in all social areas for you to sit and eat or spend time with your friends.



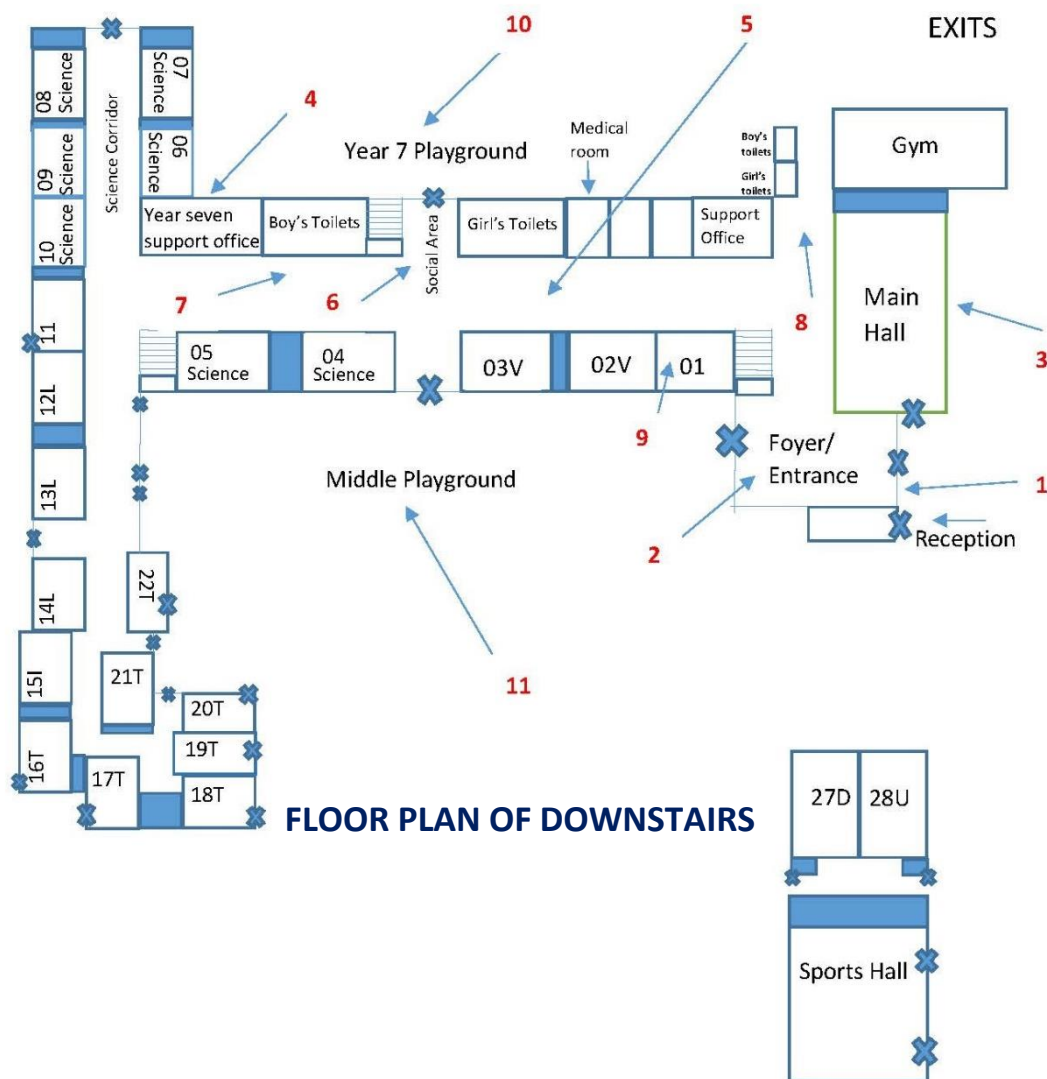
We are lucky enough to have a huge outdoor sports field where you will play a wide variety of sports and where the annual Sports Day events happen.

We have been known to host 'tough mudder' charity events here too!



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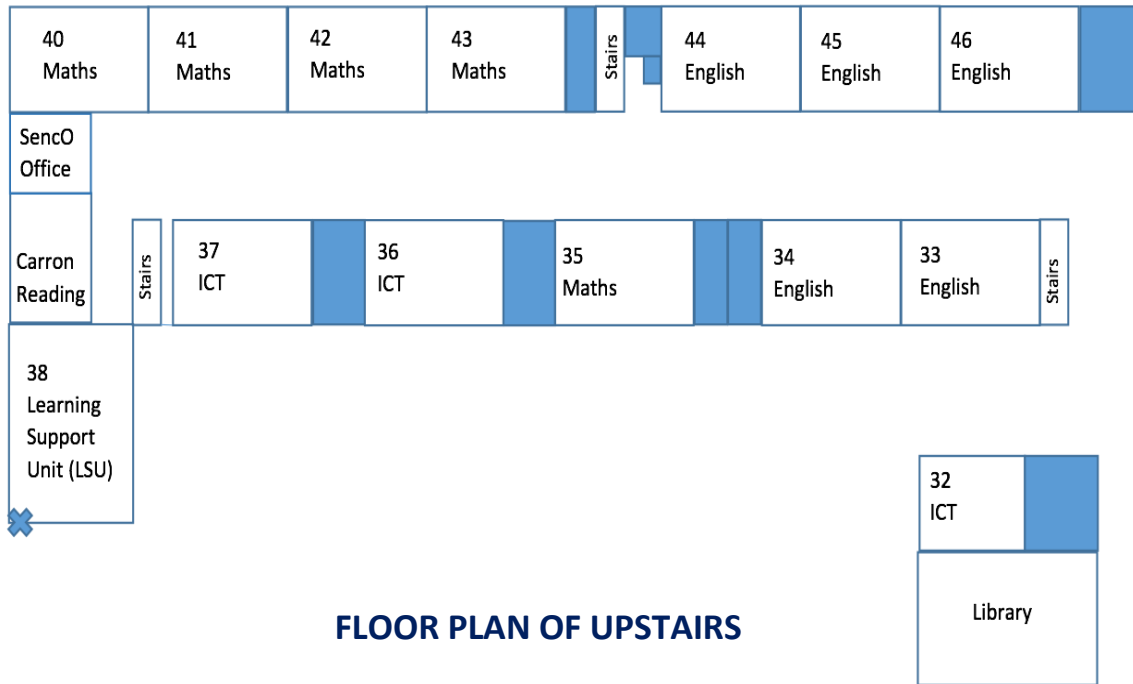
Welcome to The Nicholas Hamond Academy



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|---------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. Student Entrance | 2. Foyer | 3. Main Hall |
| 4. Yr,7 Student Support Office | 5. Finance & Girls Toilets | 6. Grand Central – Social Space |
| 7. Main Corridor & Boys Toilets | 8. Sports Corridor & Gym | 9. ICT Room |
| 10. Yr. 7 Playground | 11. Middle Playground | |

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Welcome to The Nicholas Hamond Academy



FLOOR PLAN OF UPSTAIRS



EVERYONE worries about getting lost in the academy ...please do not worry!

We will have plenty of students and staff around the academy to help you find your way and, in a very short time, you will be able to find your way around easily!

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Challenge 1:-
Learn a new skill

Signed _____

Challenge 2:-
Take a 'healthy selfie' (a
picture of you being active)

Signed _____

Challenge 3:-
Get yourself in the kitchen
and cook/bake

Signed _____

Challenge 4:-
Learn how to greet someone
in a different language

Signed _____



TNHA Summer Holiday Challenge



Challenge 5:-
Read a book

Signed _____

Challenge 6:-
Make an emblem for your
tutor group that represents
them

Signed _____

Challenge 7:-
Spend time with a friend/s
whilst socially distancing

Signed _____

Challenge 8:-
Spend time with the family

Signed _____

Every year, Team 7 challenges our new students to take on challenges over the holidays....will you accept our challenge?

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Can you tie
your tie?

How quickly can
you get
changed from
uniform to PE
kit?

Do you have a
full pencil
case?

Practice
laying out
your
uniform

Practice
packing
your bag



Think about
healthy
snacks and
lunches

Make a
pretend
homework
schedule

Practice
getting up
early!

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Will I get lost?

No! We have lots of people around school in your first few to make sure you know where you are going.

It can be hard to remember everything when you first start at a new school. We understand this and you just need to let your support staff, tutor, or teacher know.

What if I forget to bring something with me?

We all forget things from time to time, so at TNHA we have lots of 'spare things'. We can always phone home and ask for things to be brought to school too!

What if I lose something?

Try and remember to write your name on EVERYTHING! It makes finding things much easier. Report to your student support office and we will help you find your lost items.

Where do I catch my bus home?

At the end of every school day, staff will be around to help you find your way onto your bus, we queue up and get onto the buses together. You will not be left behind!

What if I forget my lunch pin or computer log in?

Lots of staff can help you with this including your teacher, your tutor and your student support staff. Remember never to share these details with others though!

What if I lose my timetable?

It's always good to have a copy of your timetable at home in case you lose yours. We will print you a new timetable in your student support office.

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We are not in school at the moment, but you can still contact us via email:-

Pastoral Director:	Kate.Warnes@tnha.org.uk
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