

# WESTCLIFF HIGH SCHOOL FOR BOYS

AN ACADEMY GRAMMAR SCHOOL



## THE SCHOOL YEAR 2018-19

### INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

*Parents are asked to keep this publication to hand  
for ease of reference during the year*

## ACADEMIC STAFF – SEPTEMBER 2018

**Headmaster**  
**Deputy Headmaster**  
**Assistant Heads**

Mr M A Skelly, B.A. (Maynooth), M.A. (Open)  
Mr W S Williams, B.Ed. (Exeter), M.Ed. (Cantab)  
Dr A C Machacek, M.Phys., D.Phil. (Oxon)  
Mrs K Mumford, B.Eng. (Ulster)  
Mr M W Manning, M.A. (Cantab)

<b>ART</b>	Mr T Sinnott*, B.A. (Leeds) Miss L Price, B.A. (Essex)	<b>MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES</b>	Ms M Niedziela <sup>‡</sup> , M.A. (East Anglia) - <i>*German</i> Miss M de Andres, M.A. (Michigan, USA) Mr G Rayment, M.A. (Nottingham) - <i>*French</i> Mr G S Sampson, M.A. (British Columbia) Mrs J H Williams, M.A. (Cantab) Dr T A Francis*, B.Mus., AKC, LRAM, M.A., Ph.D. (London) Ms I Fernandez-Martinez Mrs T Genthe*, M.A. (Staatsexamen – Berlin) Ms J Sanchez*, B.A. (London), M.A. (Open)
<b>COMPUTER SCIENCE</b>	Mr R Steel*, B.Sc. (Bath) TBA	<b>MUSIC</b>	Mr T Derrick*, B.Mus. (Birmingham) Mr A McGee, B.Mus. (Cardiff), M.A. (Oxford Brookes)
<b>DESIGN &amp; TECHNOLOGY</b>	Mr C Wright*, B.Sc. (Anglia) Mr A M Moore, B.Ed. (Liverpool) Mr L Farine* B.Sc. (Open)	<b>PHYSICAL EDUCATION</b>	Mr T Morrish*, B.A. (Leeds) Mr J White, B.A. (Leeds) Mr J Sexton, B.A. (London) Mr M Atkinson / Mr H Marrant (Sport Coaches)
<b>ECONOMICS</b>	Mr P J J Cunneen*, B.A. (Nottingham) Mr A Baggs, M.A., B.Sc. (London) Mrs K Mason*, B.A. (York)	<b>PSYCHOLOGY</b>	Mr I Williamson*, M.Sc. (London)
<b>ENGLISH</b>	Mrs J H Williams <sup>‡</sup> , M.A. (Cantab) Mrs G Koutas, B.A. (Southampton) Miss C Bailey, B.A. (Exeter) Miss C Ives, B.A. (Open) Mr T Keenan, B.A., M.A. (Open) Mr S Lilley, B.Sc. (Aston) Miss S McGowan, B.A., M.A. (Keele)	<b>RELIGIOUS STUDIES</b>	Ms C Porter*, B.A. (Kent) Mrs K Cook, B.A. (Swansea)
<b>GEOGRAPHY and GEOLOGY</b>	Dr M Shepherd*, B.A. (Manchester), Ph.D. (Sheffield) Mr N H Cooper*, B.Sc. (East Anglia) - <i>*Geology</i> Mr R D Barber, B.Sc. (London) - <i>*Breadth Studies</i> Miss F Dolan, B.A. (Oxon), M.A. (Kent) Mr P Marlow, M.Sc. (London)	<b>SCIENCE</b>	Dr D Prendergast, B.Sc. (Galway), Ph.D. (Belfast) - <i>*Science &amp; Biology</i> Mr K Dalby, M.Phys. (Salford) - <i>*Physics</i> Mr D J Hill, M.Sc. (London) - <i>*Chemistry</i> Mr J J Bleakley, B.Sc. (Leeds), M.A. (London) Ms L M Bennet, B.Sc. (Southampton), M.Sc. (London) [w/e Jan. 2019] Mr A M Farrell, B.Sc. (C.N.A.A.) Mr S W Hudson, B.Eng. (C.N.A.A.), M.Sc. (Bristol), C.Eng., MI.Mech.E. Miss F Isaac, B.Sc. (Loughborough) Mr K James, B.Sc. (London) Miss E Lo, B.Sc. (London) Mr S Marriott, B.Sc. (London), M.Sc. (London) Mr H J Tresidder, B.Sc. (Swansea) Miss R Tyson, B.Sc. (York) Mrs R Barber*, B.Sc. (Southampton)
<b>HISTORY and POLITICS</b>	Mr B Jeffreys*, M.A. (St Andrew's) Mr S Neagus, B.A. (Sheffield) Mr R C Stevens, M.A. (Oxon & London) - <i>*Politics</i> Dr J Theobald, M.A., Ph.D. (East Anglia) Miss R Williams, B.A. (Southampton)	<b>PASTORAL TUTORS</b>	Mrs A Tyson (Lower School), Mrs C Hart (Middle School) and Mrs A Dillane (Sixth Form)
<b>MATHEMATICS</b>	Mr M Dowding*, M.Math. (Surrey) Miss C Dole, B.Sc. (Greenwich) Mr S Rahman, B.Sc. (Birmingham) Dr D Smith, M.Sc. (London), Ph.D. (Bristol) Mrs E Wimsett, B.Sc. (Warwick) Mr J Yeo, B.Sc. (Bath) Mrs C Young*, B.Sc. (Open) Mrs L Hammond*, B.Sc. (Manchester) Mr E Tsang*, B.Sc. (Liverpool), M.Ed. (Canterbury Christ Church)	<b>SENDCO</b>	Mr A Baggs
		<b>TEACHING ASSISTANTS/COVER</b>	Mrs C Burden (TA Supervisor), Mr H Marrant, Mrs M Masterson*, Mr M Atkinson (Sixth Form Private Study Supervisor) and 3 TAs

\*Head of Department    ‡Acting Head of Department    †Part-time member of staff

### FORM TUTORS AND PASTORAL STAFF 2018-19

7N	Mr Morrish	8N	Mr Yeo	9N	Miss Isaac	10N	Mr James	11N	Mr Dalby
7S	Miss R Williams	8S	Mr Moore	9S	Miss Tyson	10S	Miss Lo	11S	Mr Keenan
7E	Mr Tresidder	8E	Mr Marriott	9E	Miss Bailey	10E	Mr White	11E	Mr Wright
7W	Miss de Andres	8W	Mr Williamson	9W	Mrs Young	10W	Ms Porter	11W	Mr Cunneen
7C	Mrs Wimsett	8C	Mr Sexton	9C	Mr Steel	10C	Mr Rayment	11C	Mr Rahman
7L	Miss Price	8L	Mr Lilley	9L	Dr Shepherd	10L	Mrs Koutas		
12A	Mr Sampson	13A	Mr Baggs	<b>PASTORAL STAFF</b>			<b>HEADS OF HOUSE</b>		
12B	Mrs Hammond/Mrs Genthe	13B	Miss McGowan	Head of Lower School/Year 7 Progress Leader			Mr Bleakley	Mr Rayment	<i>Osprey</i>
12C	Mrs Cook	13C	Mr Marlow	Year 8 Progress Leader			Miss Ives	Mr Sexton	<i>Merlin</i>
12D	Ms Fernandez-Martinez	13D	Dr Prendergast	Year 9 Progress Leader			Miss Dole	Miss Bailey	<i>Kestrel</i>
12E	Dr Smith	13E	Mr Stevens	Head of Middle School/Year 11 Progress Leader			Mr Farrell	Mr Yeo	<i>Harrier</i>
12F	Dr Theobald	13F	Mr Dowding	Year 10 Progress Leader			Mr Neagus		
12G	Mr Hudson	13G	Mr Barber	Year 12 Progress Leader			Mr Sinnott	Mr Barber	House Co-ordinator
12H	Mr Hill	13H	Mr Derrick/Mrs Mason	Year 13 Progress Leader			Mr McGee		
12I	Mr Jeffreys	13I	Miss Dolan/Mr Tsang	Sixth Form Auxiliary Progress Leader			Miss Dolan		
12J	Ms Niedziela								

#### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Director of Resources & Support Services	Mr D Partridge, B.Sc. (Surrey)
School Bursar	Miss C Parkinson, MAAT
Headmaster's Personal Assistant/Office Manager	Mrs C Robinson
Examinations Officer/Cover Manager	Mrs A Economou
Facilities & Premises Officer	Miss E Lewis
Finance Assistant	Mrs G Marrant
Data & Finance Administrator	Ms M Flynn
Receptionists (Morning/Afternoon)	Ms A Mayne/Mrs J House
Careers & Work-Related Learning Co-ordinator	Mrs N Weller

#### SUPPORT STAFF

Reprographics Manager	Mr I Castleton
Librarian	Mr S C Tobias, B.A. (Wales)
ICT Network Manager/Technician	Mr S Irons/Mr D Holdaway
Technology and Art Technician	Mr N Beshoori
Science Technicians	Miss M Gulliver/Miss J Massenhove/Mr P Willson
Sixth Form Catering Manager/Assistant	Miss C Mann/Mrs C Brown
Caretakers	Mr G Evans/Mr G Hill/Mr A Wall
Premises Maintenance	Mr G Marlow
Groundsman	Mr S Hacker
Community Development Officers	Mrs J Clarke/Mrs N Weller

## BASIC RULES FOR PUPILS

### As a pupil at Westcliff, you should:

1. Dress in School uniform and ensure high standards of personal cleanliness, neatness and presentation. Pupils must carry their Conduct Card at all times.
2. Conduct yourself sensibly in School, coming to School and going from School.
3. Respect the authority of staff who may reasonably give direction to pupils on matters of work, language, safety and conduct.
4. Respect the property of the School and of others in the School and in particular the equipment, books, materials and facilities the School provides.
5. Act as a responsible member of the School community showing good manners, kindness, common sense and consideration towards others.
6. Never run in the corridors; show courtesy and respect by walking on the left, not pushing others and keeping your voice down.
7. Care for your Form Room, sitting on chairs rather than tables and never eating, drinking, chewing gum or shouting in Form Rooms.
8. Ensure that paper and wrappers are properly disposed of, that other litter is picked up if seen around the building and that bags are deposited tidily on the storage racks provided.
9. Wait (Years 7-10) outside classrooms in an orderly manner for the member of staff to arrive or (Years 11-13) enter, be seated and be ready for the lesson to begin. In Science, Technology and Physical Education, pupils in Years 7-11 should wait outside teaching rooms until invited to enter.

### Pupils at Westcliff must never:

1. Disobey a reasonable request of a member of staff or speak to staff in an insolent, offensive or abusive manner.
2. Bring into School or take on a School visit or purchase on a School visit a knife, a gun or any other implement which has the potential to cause harm to others.
3. Introduce drugs, tobacco or alcohol to the School community or promote or sell these things within the community.
4. Behave aggressively, provocatively or offensively towards others either in School, travelling to and from School or online, whether physically, verbally, in writing or by electronic means.
5. Abuse Information Technology either within the School or through communication with members of the School from outside the School.
6. Have mobile phones, iPods, or similar equipment 'live' on School days between 8.00am and 4.15pm.
7. Use mobile phones for calls, information retrieval, texting or photography in School between 8.00am and 4.15pm.
8. Visit the area behind the Theatre and to the south or west of the Sports Hall as these areas are out of bounds to pupils.

## NOTES ON SCHOOL UNIFORM, PERSONAL APPEARANCE AND EQUIPMENT

### The main items of School Uniform are:

Navy blue blazer with School badge	School V-necked pullover is optional. No other garments are acceptable
Black trousers of conventional material and cut	Black shoes of conventional shape and style. Boots are not acceptable
White shirt with conventional collar	Dark grey or black socks
School House tie	

### PE and Games Kit: The following items are required:

<b>From the Uniform Shop:</b>	Navy shorts	Kit bag and boot bag
	White PE socks	Security bag for personal valuables
	PE singlets (with House colour)	Conventional swimming trunks (for PE and Games lessons, to be worn under shorts)
	Reversible rugby jersey (with House colour)	Shin pads
	Navy rugby shorts	Gum shield
	Rugby socks (maroon/gold top)	Predominantly white training shoes
	Towel	Whites will be required for those selected for cricket teams.
<b>Items needed but not available from the Uniform Shop:</b>	Rugby/football boots with either moulded studs or BS6366 screw-in rugby studs	

### Personal Appearance:

School uniform should always be clean and tidy. Shoes should be polished regularly. Hair should be clean, tidy and a natural colour. **Extremes of style and length are not acceptable.** The Headmaster is the final arbiter of what is acceptable.

### Practical Lessons:

Safety glasses and a laboratory coat (not nylon) must be worn in Science / Design & Technology lessons and are available from the School Uniform Shop. Pupils are also asked to provide protective clothing for Art lessons and the laboratory coat can be used for this purpose.

### Other Equipment:

Pupils entering the School are also asked to have available:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bible</li> <li>• English Dictionary</li> <li>• French/Spanish/German Dictionary</li> <li>• Calculator capable of manipulating fractions, performing statistical calculations and having scientific functions</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pencil case with coloured pencils</li> <li>• Bag suitable for carrying books</li> <li>• Geometrical drawing instruments, including a protractor, a pair of compasses and 30cm transparent ruler</li> </ul> |
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All the above items are available from School Uniform Shop

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The School offers a range of extra-curricular activities for pupils in all Years. A summary of our recent arrangements is set out below

Sport:	Music:	Societies:	Other Activities:	Cultural Visits:
Rugby	Sinfonia	Chess Club	Combined Cadet Force (CCF)	To the Royal Festival Hall/Royal Albert Hall
Football	String Orchestra	Technology Club	Duke of Edinburgh Award	To the National Theatre and other Theatres
Athletics	Big Band	Wargames Club	Annual Ski Trip	
Cricket	Junior Jazz Band	Science Society	Foreign Exchanges	
Badminton	Concert Band	Debating Society	House Competitions	
Basketball	Theory Club	Film Club	Drama Programme	<b>Education Evenings:</b> Two are held each year to enable worthwhile current issues in Education to be discussed.
Table Tennis	Choir	<b>Field Visits</b>	Public Speaking	
Tennis		Biology		
Cross-Country		Chemistry		
Swimming		Geography		<b>Sport:</b> The Sports Hall is open to pupils at lunchtime and after School.
Squash		Geology		
		History		

Regular fixtures against other Schools are arranged in many sports and the School fields teams for each Year and for the Sixth Form. Practice schedules are either arranged before School, at lunchtime or after School. The Orchestra (The Sinfonia), other Groups and Ensembles rehearse once a week at times arranged by the Music Department. Concerts and Recitals are a prominent feature of our extra-curricular life. Societies meet either at lunchtime or after School and suggestions for new Societies and activities are always welcome. Field Visits are a regular feature of public examinations work in a number of subjects.

**THE SCHOOL FRONT RECEPTION** is open from 8.00am until 5.00pm when the School is in session. The School Office is only open to pupils between 8.30am and 4.00pm.

**SCHOOL UNIFORM** and other essential School items can be purchased online via the School website or by using the direct link: [www.whsb.essex.sch.uk/uniform](http://www.whsb.essex.sch.uk/uniform). Alternatively, the School Uniform Shop is open every Thursday during term time from 3.45pm until 4.45pm.

### THE GOVERNING BODY - SEPTEMBER 2018

**Headmaster:** Mr M A Skelly M.A.

**Chairman:** Mr J Gershinson

**Vice-Chairman:** Ms F Colwell

**Academy Trust Governors**

Ms F Colwell (2021)

Mr I Croxford QC (2019)

Mr M DeGrove (2020)

Mr J Gershinson (2021)

Mr S Johnson (2019)

Mr M Solomons (2021)

**Local Authority Governor**

Cllr D Norman (2022)

**Co-opted Governors**

Mr C Casey (2022)

**Clerk to the Governors:** Mrs C Hare

**Staff Governors**

Mrs C Burden (2021)

Mr S Neagus (2021)

**Parent Governors**

Mr A Cole (2020)

Mr R Galvin (2020)

The year in brackets after the name indicates the year up to which present service will run. Meetings of the Governing Body in the academic year 2018-19 will take place on 18 September 2018, 18 December 2018, 2 April 2019 and 16 July 2019. The Governing Body also has four sub-committees.

### PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday 24 September 2018 at 7.30pm. Mrs K Merriman is the current Chairman of the Association, Mrs A Kelly, Vice-Chairman, Mr M Christmas, Secretary, and Mrs O Okere, Treasurer. Enquiries about the Parents' Association should be addressed to the Chairman at the School.

### SCHOOL YEARS 2018-20

#### 2018-2019

#### 2019-2020

**AUTUMN TERM:**

Staff Development Day: Wednesday 5 September 2018

Term Begins: Thursday 6 September 2018

Half Term: 22-26 October 2018 inclusive

Staff Development Day: Monday 29 October 2018

Term Ends: Thursday 20 December 2018

Tuesday 3 September 2019

Wednesday 4 September 2019

28 October-1 November 2019 inclusive

Monday 4 November 2019

Thursday 19 December 2019

**SPRING TERM:**

Staff Development Day: N/A

Term Begins: Thursday 3 January 2019

Half Term: 18-22 February 2019 inclusive

Staff Development Day: Monday 25 February 2019

Term Ends: Friday 5 April 2019

Monday 6 January 2020

Tuesday 7 January 2020

17-21 February 2020 inclusive

Monday 24 February 2020

Friday 3 April 2020

**SUMMER TERM:**

Staff Development Day: Tuesday 23 April 2019

Term Begins: Wednesday 24 April 2019

Public Holiday: Monday 6 May 2019

Half Term: 27-31 May 2019 inclusive

Staff Development Day: Monday 3 June 2019

Term Ends: Wednesday 24 July 2019

Monday 20 April 2020

Tuesday 21 April 2020

Monday 4 May 2020

25-29 May 2020 inclusive

N/A

Wednesday 22 July 2020

*N.B. The School is closed to pupils on Staff Development Days*

### REPORTS AND PARENTS' MEETINGS 2018-19

Year	First Report	Second Report	Third Report	Parents' Evening	Other Meetings
7	18 October 2018	29 March 2019	19 July 2019	12 November 2018	Meet & Greet Evening: 24 September 2018
8	16 November 2018	3 May 2019	12 July 2019	28 January 2019	
9	2 November 2018	14 February 2019	19 July 2019	18 March 2019	Options Evening: 7 March 2019
10	23 November 2018	15 March 2019	12 July 2019	29 April 2019	Education Evening: 25 September 2018
11	18 October 2018	25 January 2019	22 March 2019 (Targeted)	11 February 2019	Entry to Sixth Form Evening: 10 January 2019
12	5 October 2018	8 February 2019	7 June 2019 (Data only) 28 June 2019	4 March 2019	Education Evening: 27 September 2018 Higher Education Evening: 3 July 2019
13	5 October 2018	30 November 2018	22 March 2019	3 December 2018	

N.B. Year 11 Trial Examination Results issued 14 Dec 2018 / Year 13 Trial Examination Results issued 1 March 2019

### OTHER IMPORTANT DATES IN THE SCHOOL YEAR 2018-19

16 October 2018	Speech Day, 7.45pm (Compulsory attendance for Years 11, 12 and 13)
9 November 2018	Service of Remembrance, 8.45am (Parents are welcome)
17 December 2018	Festival of Lessons and Carols, 7.30pm
9 July 2019	Sports Day