



20 March 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

**RE: Equipment required for lessons.**

Following the huge success of Year 10's equipment checks this term and after the Easter Holidays, as a whole College, we will be more effectively supporting our students to attend every lesson with the right equipment.

We wish to support our students to develop the independence and organisational skills needed for life in the wider world. We expect students to attend school with all the required equipment for learning so that they are not reliant on borrowing equipment throughout the school day. Every second counts in our classrooms and we want to ensure that students borrowing/requiring equipment is not a distraction from teaching time.

Your child's tutors will check students' equipment each morning and monitor those who do not have the required equipment.

As a school we are happy to support students with a pencil case starter kit. The pencil case will contain the items listed below as 'essential' equipment. Though the pencil case will not contain a scientific calculator, this is also a part of essential school equipment. To request a starter pencil case your child will need to speak to their tutor or their Head of Year.

Students can purchase school equipment including Scientific calculators before school, break, and lunchtime from Student Reception and the school shop on Arbor.

Below is a list of 'essential' and 'desirable' equipment with which students should attend school each day. The impetus is on students to monitor their equipment and source replacements if required. As parent/carer, your support in monitoring your child's equipment for learning regularly as the school year progresses is very much appreciated.

<b>Essentials</b>	<b>Desirables</b>
- with students every day, every lesson	- ideal for students to have with them
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 x black pen</li> <li>• 2 x green pen</li> <li>• 2 x pencil</li> <li>• ruler</li> <li>• eraser</li> <li>• scientific calculator (maths/science)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• pencil case</li> <li>• pencil sharpener</li> <li>• coloured pencils</li> <li>• geometry set</li> <li>• highlighters</li> <li>• glue stick</li> </ul>

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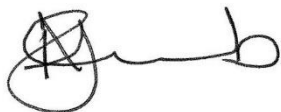
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If you have any concerns about the costs of the above (for example if your child qualifies for Pupil Premium support) then we would be pleased to support you with this. Please get in touch with Mrs Leanne Wallis (Director of Standards) via [Leanne.Wallis@mrc-academy.org](mailto:Leanne.Wallis@mrc-academy.org) who will be happy to assist.

Your sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ashley Lamb', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mr Ashley Lamb  
Head of Year 10