

WELCOME



GUIDE

Dear Parents,

Welcome to a new chapter of learning, collaboration and growth at Byron College. It is with great joy and a shared sense of purpose that we extend our heartfelt welcome to each of you.

Our school's **Ethos** is built upon the foundation of an inclusive culture of care, where the wellbeing of each individual is at the heart of everything we do. We believe that a safe, healthy, and happy environment is the cornerstone of effective learning.

Our **Vision** is bold and exciting - to be a dynamic learning community that inspires both exploration and excellence. We are committed to fostering an environment where innovation thrives, and where every voice is valued as a contribution to the collective growth of our community. We empower each other to take risks, learn from failures, and celebrate successes.

At the heart of our **Mission** is the commitment to provide the best learning environment and outcomes for every member of our community. We believe in the transformative power of education and we are passionate about creating meaningful learning experiences that inspire curiosity and a hunger for knowledge in our students. Learning is not a solitary endeavour but a collaborative process that engages students, teachers and parents.

As we embark on this exciting journey together, let us foster an environment where curiosity sparks learning and where teamwork fosters growth.

With warm regards,

Rory Gallagher

Headteacher, Byron College



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<https://www.byroncollege.gr>

School / Main Office Email:

info@byroncollege.gr

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PRIMARY SCHOOL

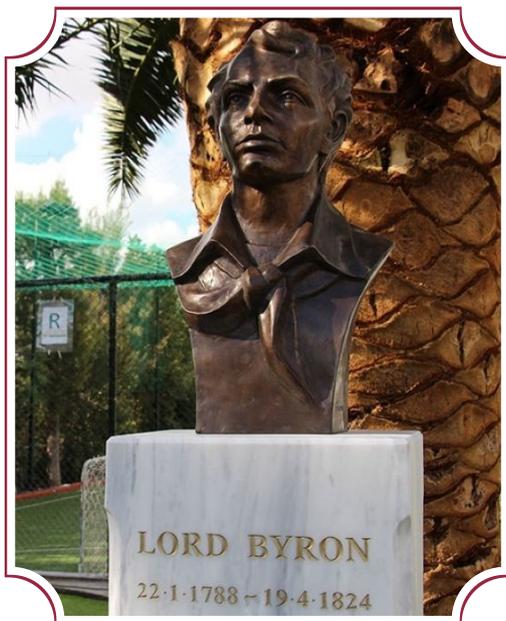
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THE SCHOOL DAY

ARRIVAL	08.00 – 08.30
Form Period	08.40 – 09.00
Lesson 1	09.00 – 09.45
Lesson 2	09.45 – 10.30
Lesson 3	10.30 – 11.15
Break	11.15 – 11.40
Lesson 4	11.40 – 12.25
Lesson 5	12.25 – 13.10
Lunch	13.10 – 14.00
Lesson 6	14.00 – 14.45
Lesson 7	14.45 – 15.30
Enrichment Activities	15.45 – 17.00



INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL YEAR / GRADE COMPARISONS

Age	UK			European**		USA		Australia	
4	EYFS 1	EYFS	NC	Nursery	NC	Pre-school	NC	Pre-school	NC
5	EYFS 2			K1		Kindergarten			
6	1	KS1	Primary School	K2	Primary School	K	Elementary School	1	Primary School
7	2			1		1			
8	3	KS2	Primary School	2	Primary School	2	Elementary School	2	Primary School
9	4			3		3		3	
10	5			4		4		4	
11	6			5		5		5	
12	7	KS3	Secondary School	6	Secondary School I	6	Middle School	6	High School
13	8			7		7		7	
14	9	KS4	Secondary School	8	Secondary School II	8	High School	8	High School
15	10			9		9		9	
16	11			10		10		10	
17	12	KSS (Sixth Form)	Secondary School	11	Secondary School II	11	High School	11	High School
18	13			12		12		12	

** General Schooling in the majority of Europe. Differences do apply.

NC: Non-Compulsory Education Stage

In the UK students do not repeat years as they may do in other countries. Students are placed in the appropriate year according to age range, although exceptions may be made upon academic and/or pastoral considerations. In the UK system the academic year runs from September to June. An applicant's age is calculated as of 31 August.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Byron College prides itself on its uniform as it gives our school a true sense of identity. The school uniform can be purchased directly from **Marks and Spencer** in Gerakas or ordered directly from **LB Creations**, 'The Uniform Shop', either by visiting the shop, email, telephone, fax or online.

LB CREATIONS:

Address: 12 Gymnasiou Street, Pefkasia (opposite Pefkasia train station)

Telephone: 210 2717 847 **Fax:** 210 2717 383

E mail: lbcreations1@gmail.com

Online orders: www.lbcreations.gr **Byron College login password:** 1986Bbyron

MARKS & SPENCER:

Address: 151 Marathonos St, Gerakas

Direct purchase only

The uniform includes **black leather shoes**

Students may be sent home if their uniform does not fully meet our requirements.



Appropriate dress at school is important. It sets the tone: instilling pride; supporting positive behaviour and discipline; encouraging identity with, and support for, the school ethos; ensuring students of all races and backgrounds feel welcome; protecting students from social pressures to dress in a particular way; promoting good relations between different groups of students.

The following recommendations are in line with our Health and Safety Policy and reflect our commitment to the safety and equality of all in Byron College.

- **Shoes** - plain black leather - not training/sports shoes; white-soled shoes are not permitted.
- **Jewellery**
 - Expensive jewellery should not be worn or brought into school.
 - Students with pierced ears must wear studs. It is advisable these are not worn to school on PE days.
 - If your child is unable to remove earrings by themselves, they should not come to school with them in.
 - Bracelets, necklaces and rings are permitted but must be discreet and removable on request.
- **Hairstyles / Accessories**
 - Hair should be one natural colour.
 - The style should be appropriate for school and should not obstruct the student's vision.
 - Hair bands and bows should match the school uniform and be of reasonable size .
 - Make-up and nail extensions, colours or varnish are not permitted.

We highly recommend that all students (especially EYFS and Primary children) wear a hat during break and lunch to protect from over-exposure to the sun.

PLEASE DO: label clothing with student's name or initials

PRIMARY SCHOOL

GIRLS' SUMMER UNIFORM	BOYS' SUMMER UNIFORM
Checked dress 100% cotton	White shirt short-sleeve 100% cotton
White shorts cotton-lycra	Grey Bermudas pull-on (size 2-4-6-8)
White long shorts cotton-lycra	Grey Bermudas with buttons

WINTER UNIFORM	WINTER UNIFORM
Pinafore grey dress	White shirt long-sleeve Oxford
Light blue shirt long-sleeve 100% cotton	Grey trousers
Cardigan cotton with buttons (maroon)	Grey pull-on trousers (size 2-4-6-8)
Tie (from Year 3)	Pullover cotton (maroon)
Blazer (from Year 3)	School tie (from year 3)
Winter jacket	Blazer (from year 3)
	Winter jacket

PE SUMMER UNIFORM	PE WINTER UNIFORM
Gym t-shirt 100% cotton	Grey-maroon sweat cardigan 100% cotton
House t-shirt 100% cotton (blue-red-green-yellow)	Grey jogging pants 100% cotton
Blue gym shorts 100% cotton	White Polo long sleeve

SECONDARY SCHOOL

GIRLS' SUMMER UNIFORM	BOYS' SUMMER UNIFORM
Light blue short-sleeve shirt 100% cotton	White shirt short-sleeve 100% cotton
Grey skirt	Grey Bermudas with buttons
Grey trousers	

WINTER UNIFORM	WINTER UNIFORM
Light blue long-sleeve shirt 100% cotton	White shirt long-sleeve Oxford
Grey trousers	Grey trousers
Grey skirt	Pullover cotton (maroon)
Pullover cotton (maroon)	Blazer
Blazer	Winter jacket
Winter jacket	School tie
School tie	
Opaque tights of one colour only (grey, navy, black)	

PE SUMMER UNIFORM	PE WINTER UNIFORM
Gym t-shirt 100% cotton	Grey-maroon sweat cardigan 100% cotton
House t-shirt 100% cotton (blue-red-green-yellow)	Grey jogging pants 100% cotton
Blue gym shorts 100% cotton	White Polo long-sleeve

SIXTH FORM DRESS CODE

The aim is to ensure that Sixth Formers are distinguishable from other years whilst remaining comfortable in a working environment. This 'Dress Code' has been devised in conjunction with our present Sixth Formers and is designed to be gender-neutral and adaptable between summer and winter.

- Clothes must not be revealing in any way (this means no cropped/low-cut tops, thin leggings, trousers that show your underwear, mini-skirts, very short shorts etc., bare shoulders)
- Clothing is to be simple in design and of neutral colour* with no offensive designs
- Jeans are not permitted
- Any item of clothing must not have rips, holes or obvious fraying
- The Sixth Form PE Kit can be worn on non-PE days if the students so wish. Otherwise, the Dress Code must be followed.

White Blouse or white tailored shirt - must have a collar and cover shoulders

Plain V Neck Jumper/Sweater* - it is not permissible to wear the jumper with a t-shirt

Byron College Hooded Top** - no other hooded top will be acceptable

Plain Black/Navy Blue/Beige skirt, trousers or culottes

Tailored or Chino style are acceptable - strictly no denim

No jean-type studs and stitching

Skirts should be of suitable length

Belts should be of plain leather

Black or navy or beige leather or canvas shoes or sandals

Heels no more than two inches in height

No athletic or training shoes

No flip flops or beach shoes

SIXTH FORM PE KIT

Plain Polo-Shirt*, House T-Shirt or Sixth Form PE T-Shirt

Plain Jogging Bottoms or Shorts*

Byron College Hooded Top

Training Shoes suitable for either the hard court or artificial sports

On days when Sixth Form students have PE, they must come dressed in their PE Kit.

*Acceptable colours are Black, Navy Blue, Burgundy/Maroon, Grey or White.

GENERAL INFORMATION

ABSENCES

If a student is absent, parents should telephone school on each day of absence before 8.30 explaining the reason why their child is not at school.

The school's approach to investigating absence is proactive.

AUTHORISED ABSENCE

Authorised absence is approval given in advance by the Headteacher or where an explanation offered afterwards has been accepted as satisfactory justification.

Absence may be authorised for the following reasons:

- Illness, medical or emergency dental/optician appointments
- Days of religious observance
- Exclusion
- Family bereavement
- Involvement in a public performance
- Lateness when the child arrives after the register has closed and offers a satisfactory explanation

UNAUTHORISED ABSENCE

Absence will not be authorised in the following circumstances.

- No explanation is offered by the parent
- The explanation offered is unsatisfactory
- Family holidays (other than in exceptional circumstances)
- Lateness when the child arrives after the register has closed and fails to offer a satisfactory explanation

PERSISTENT ABSENCE

Persistent absence is a daily absence of 10% or more.

Any student arriving later than 9.00 should enter school via the Main Gate and report to the School Office. If accompanied, the parent should give a reason for the lateness, which will be recorded. The student is marked as late in the Register. Where persistent lateness (arriving after 8.40) gives cause for concern, further action will be taken in line with the Behaviour Policy.

FAMILY HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME

Parents are strongly advised **NOT** to take their children out of school for a holiday during termtime. Any planned absence **MUST** be discussed with the Headteacher in advance.



Email for informing school of absence: info@byroncollege.gr

ASSEMBLIES

Weekly assemblies are held in the School Hall for each Year or Key Stage. These assemblies are mainly student-led presentations, often celebrating national and international festivals and commemorations, as well as providing a platform for guest speakers. On special occasions Primary School parents are sometimes invited to attend.

CANTEEN

A cooked meal can be ordered in advance online. Healthy snacks and drinks are also available for purchase during break and lunch times.

You can apply for a prepaid card at the canteen which can be topped up whenever required.



<https://www.byroncollege.gr/canteen>
email: canteen@byroncollege.gr

ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME

After-school activities take place between 15.30 and 17.00 every day, in addition to a range of lunchtime activities. Sign up in the school office for all activities. Please note that there are limited places in many classes and early sign-up is advised. For details please see the full Enrichment Programme here:



<https://www.byroncollege.gr/school-life/enrichment-activities>

HOUSE SYSTEM

All students are assigned a House on registering at Byron College. Siblings are placed in the same House, either Theseus, Perseus, Hercules or Athena, and will remain in the same House throughout their years at Byron. House points are awarded for academic excellence, extra-curricular participation, sporting achievements, voluntary work, outstanding ethos and much more!



MOBILE PHONES

The use of mobile phones is **strictly prohibited** on school premises.

If any student wishes to contact their parents, this is arranged through the School Office. Parents wishing to speak to their child may do so by contacting the school directly.

4SCHOOLS INFORMATION SYSTEM

All parents are provided with individual access to our 4schools Information System where all information regarding their child can be accessed. This includes the school calendar, reports and timetable, school news and information about finance. This system serves as a single point of reference for anything school-related and is only accessible by parents using their individual code. Upon registration, new parents receive an invitation email with the connection details.

FRIENDS OF BYRON

All parents of students at Byron College are automatically members of the school's 'Friends of Byron' group. The overall aim of this group is to create bonds between our parents and with the school, enhancing the experience for all within the Byron College community. A monthly coffee morning takes place at school where all parents are invited to attend and discuss ways in which the Friends of Byron can support school events and festivals.



PSHRE

PSHRE (Personal, Social, Health and Relationship Education) is a lesson which aims to instill in our students the knowledge, skills and understanding they need to lead confident, healthy and independent lives and to become responsible citizens who can make informed and appropriate lifestyle choices.

The delivery of our PSHRE is implemented from Year 1 through to Year 13, through an age- appropriate approach which includes presentations, discussion, and exercises.

SCHOOL BUSES

Students must be waiting at their pick-up point by the designated time in the morning. Parents must also be on time and waiting at the point for the afternoon drop-off.

If you are unable to collect your child/children from the bus, the school must be informed in writing together with the ID details of the person whom you wish us to hand your child over to no later than 11.00 of the day in question. This ID needs to be produced before the bus monitor will allow your child to leave the bus.



Failure to comply with this procedure will mean your child will be returned to school.

The school bus monitor ensures that all students behave in an orderly fashion and wear their seat belts. The bus monitor will inform you if there are any delays due to heavy traffic.

Parents will be given the mobile number of their bus monitor. If your child will not be using the bus, the school must be informed in advance. If your child is taken ill in the night, you must inform the bus monitor.

For further details including bus routes:



<https://www.byroncollege.gr/transportation>

email: transport@byroncollege.gr /

info@byroncollege.gr

SCHOOL NURSE

The School Nurse is on site from 8.15 until 17.00 every day.

All pre-existing medical conditions and allergies must be declared on the medical form on registration. **The medical form must be renewed and returned to the school by the first day of every academic year.**

Any medication to be administered during the school day must be given directly to the Nurse by a parent or bus monitor with clear instructions. Students **MUST NOT** be carrying any medication in their school bags.

If your child is taken ill or has an accident while at school, the Nurse will contact you immediately.

SCHOOL TRIPS

All year groups take part in regular educational trips. Parents are informed in advance and given all necessary details. Students are not allowed to participate in these trips if their parents have not signed and returned electronically the mandatory annual consent form.

Residential trips require a separate consent form that will be attached to details and costs of the trips.



SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS & DISABILITIES (SEND) - ACADEMIC SUPPORT

We all learn differently, but there are some students who need some extra support. If your child has an identified special educational need, this will have been discussed at the application stage. If a student presents with learning difficulties while at Byron College, there is a close liaison to assist learning, between parents, teachers, and the school educational psychologist to identify and assess special educational needs.



BYRON EVENTS

An integral part of being a member of the Byron College community is active participation in school events. Annual events for parents, students and the wider community include the Bonfire Night and Hallowe'en celebration organised by the Friends of Byron, participation in the Remembrance Sunday commemorations and, unique to Byron College, our Let's Celebrate Culture event, a colourful celebration of the diversity of our community.



Throughout the year there are presentations, book readings, competitions and events that enrich the school day; these include days when the normal timetable is replaced by themed activities that are cross-curricular, such as STEAM Day and World Philosophy Day. Einstein is remembered on Pi Day, a love of literature embraced on World Book Day, and Chinese New Year celebrated.

The annual Sports Day brings out the competitive spirit between the Houses, which parents are welcome to attend.



And the School Year ends with our School Leavers' and Awards Ceremonies where we celebrate our students' achievements and all that is great about Byron College.



Children should arrive at school by 8.30. If your child arrives after 8.40 you must sign the late arrival form at the front desk.

Children can only be collected by the declared parent or guardian. If you are unable to collect your child for any reason, you must inform the school in writing in advance and submit the ID of the person to whom you give permission to collect your child.



TIMETABLE

All EYFS and Primary students will be given their timetable on the first day of term. Please note that on the days they have Physical Education (PE) students should come to school dressed in their PE kit and trainers.

BOOKLISTS

Every parent in Primary school will have been provided with a booklist for their child/children on registration. These books are kept at school and returned at the end of the academic year. The cost of the books should be paid at the School Office or directly to Ms Barlis, the Operations Administrator.

HOMEWORK DIARY

All students from Year 3 onwards are issued with a homework diary to record their homework. If lost, there is a replacement fee of 10 euros.

HOMEWORK GUIDELINES

- ★ EYFS: 10-15 minutes starting after October half-term (reading, phonics, projects involving parents)
- ★ Year 1: 10-20 minutes including reading
- ★ Year 2: 20-30 minutes including reading
- ★ Year 3: 30 minutes per evening plus 15 minutes reading
- ★ Year 4: 40 minutes per evening plus 15 reading
- ★ Year 5: 50 minutes per evening plus 15 reading
- ★ Year 6: 50 minutes per evening plus 15 reading

LIBRARY BAG

All students in EYFS and Primary School are given a cloth library bag. Once a week they visit the Library with their class teacher and choose a book to take home. This should be returned the following week so that a new book can be chosen. If books are not returned there is a nominal replacement fee of 10 euros.

TRIPS

All year groups take part in regular educational trips, as well as annual residential trips in Years 5 and 6. Parents are informed in advance and given all necessary details. Children are not allowed to participate in these trips if their parents/guardians have not signed and returned electronically the annual mandatory consent form.



BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

If your child would like to offer treats to his/her classmates on their birthday, please ensure that these are individual treats and **not** a cake or gâteau. These treats **must not** contain nuts or alcohol and should be given to the class teacher on arrival at school. We recommend as healthy a treat as possible!

EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE (EYFS 1 & 2)

If your child is one of the younger children in the group and needs time to adjust to the normal school day (8.40-15.30), for the first two weeks of **EYFS 1** it is possible for your child to be collected from school at 13.10. This arrangement must be agreed with the class teacher, and you must sign your child out in the Main Office.

RESOURCES PROVIDED BY THE SCHOOL

- ★ There is a set fee for creative learning materials that will be kept in the classroom.
- ★ A cloth library bag is given to every child on the first day of term. If this is lost and needs replacing, there is a charge of 3 euros.

PARENTS PROVIDE

- ★ Water bottle
- ★ Home Contact Book (liaison between teacher/parents) to be kept in school bag
- ★ Towel and small pillow (take home Fridays to wash, return Monday). The towel and pillow are not required in EYFS 2.
- ★ Complete change of clothing clearly labelled (to be kept at school)
- ★ Sunhat (sunscreen to be applied at home in summer months)

No personal toys should be brought into EYFS unless it is your child's 'Show and Tell' Day.

BREAK & LUNCH TIMES

All children in **EYFS and Key Stage 1** eat their snack and lunch at the picnic benches in their play area or in their classrooms depending on the weather. They are supervised and eat altogether.

Snack: We recommend a healthy snack of fruit or vegetables and a drink. No nuts. These can be purchased from the canteen or brought from home. Friday is 'treat' day in **EYFS 1** and children are permitted to bring something 'unhealthy' to eat!

Lunch: Pre-ordered from the canteen or brought from home. **No food containing nuts.** If brought from home parents must provide cutlery (no knives).



QUIET TIME

After the lunch break there is a designated quiet time in EYFS1 where children can lie down and listen to a story. Some will sleep while other older children may use this time to play quietly in one of the learning corners.



HOMework

EYFS students generally will not have homework in EYFS 1, although they will bring a library book home once a week and we encourage our parents to enjoy reading these with their children. As they progress, readers may be lent out for 'reading' at home. **EYFS 2** students do have a small amount of homework from after the half-term break in October.

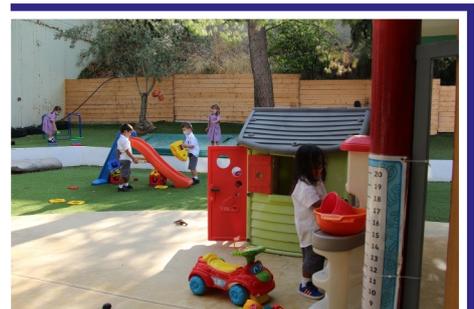
PARENT-TEACHER MEETINGS

Parent-Teacher Meetings are held twice a year. However, if you would like to communicate with your child's teacher at any point during the school year, an appointment can be made in advance by emailing or telephoning the Main Office.

On a more regular basis the Home Communication book can be used for EYFS and KS 1. For simple comments, the Homework Diary (KS2) may be used as a means of communication by both teacher and parents.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

EYFS children have PE classes three times a week. On these days they should wear their PE kit to school.



KEY STAGE 1 (YEARS 1 & 2)

BREAK AND LUNCH TIMES

All children in **Key Stage 1** eat their snack and lunch at the picnic benches in their play area or in their classrooms depending on the weather. They are supervised and eat altogether.

Snack: We recommend a healthy snack of fruit or vegetables and a drink. **No food containing nuts.** These can be purchased from the canteen or brought from home.

Lunch: Pre-ordered from the canteen or brought from home. No nuts. If brought from home parents must provide cutlery (no knives).

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Key Stage 1 students have PE three times a week and are expected to wear their PE kit to school on these days. During the summer term all students have swimming once a week. Parents are informed when this will take place.

During the summer months all students should wear a **sunhat** during the mid-morning and lunch breaks. Please ensure that this is in their bag every morning.

RESOURCES

All books on the booklist are kept in the classroom. Parents should provide a fully equipped pencil case.

HOME COMMUNICATION BOOK

Parents need to provide a blank exercise book that can be used for communication between the teacher and the parents. This is kept in the school bag.



KEY STAGE 2 (YEARS 3, 4, 5 & 6)

BREAK AND LUNCH TIMES

All Key Stage 2 students are responsible for their own food. Snacks can be bought from the canteen both at break and lunch time, or they can bring their own food from home. If you have ordered a pre-cooked meal, your child/ children is responsible for collecting this from the canteen. They can choose to eat their snack or meal in the seated area or at any of the picnic tables placed around the school.

During the summer months all students should wear a sunhat during mid-morning break, lunch break and PE lessons. Please ensure that this is in their bag every morning. Suncream should be applied at home.

SUBJECTS

All students will be given their daily timetable by their class teacher on the first day of term. Philosophy for Children (P4C) is introduced into the curriculum from Year 3.

Spanish is introduced into the curriculum from Year 5.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Students have PE three times a week and should wear their PE kits to school on these days.

All students have a swimming lesson once a week during the summer term. Parents are informed when this will take place.



HOMEWORK

Students record their homework in their Homework Diary. They should be able to complete their homework independently and take responsibility for completing it on time.



All students are expected to be at school by 8.30 every day. If they arrive after 8.40 they are considered late and will be required to sign in. If they are persistently late, parents will be informed, and measures taken.

FORM TIME

Form time (8.40-9.00) is a very important start to the day. This is the time when the day ahead is discussed, announcements made, and form assemblies prepared and presented. This is also the time when your child's Form Tutor gets to know them and can address any issues that your child or their subject teachers may have.

BOOKLISTS

All parents are sent the booklist for the following academic year via email. These **books must be ordered and purchased in advance** so that all are available for use from the first day of term.



TIMETABLE

All students receive their timetable on the first day of term.

STUDENT PLANNER

All students are issued with a student planner on the first day of term. It is used to record all homework assigned and due dates, an essential time management and organisation aid encouraging students to develop an independent and responsible attitude towards their studies. If lost, there is a replacement fee of 10 euros.

PROGRESS REVIEWS

Three a year parents receive an update on their child's academic performance in the form of target and current grades, including effort. In June, the final Progress Review includes comments for all Key Stage 3 and Year 10 students. For exam classes (Years 11, 12 and 13), the final Progress Review is issued earlier (just before the Easter break).

PARENT-TEACHER MEETINGS

Parent-Teacher meetings take place twice a year. Parents can arrange further meetings with subject teachers by appointment.



EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Students are encouraged to sign up to participate in lunchtime and extra-curricular activities such as the International Duke of Edinburgh Award, Robotics, the Drama Society, Model United Nations, Debate and Public Speaking, the Junior String Ensemble, the Philosophy Club, our sports teams, among a wide range of opportunities. Please see the Enrichment Programme on the website for details.



<https://www.byroncollege.gr/school-life/enrichment-activities>

TRIPS

All form groups participate in regular educational trips. Parents are informed in advance of the details. Students are not allowed to participate in any trip if the electronic trips consent form has not been completed at the beginning of the academic year.

If a trip is residential, a further consent form will be requested.



KEY STAGE 3 (YEARS 7, 8 & 9)

SUBJECTS

All National Curriculum subjects are taught at Key Stage 3 and Global Perspectives is introduced.

INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE EVENING

In February/March of Year 9, parents and students are invited to school to discuss the appropriate subject choices for your child's IGCSE/GCSE studies in Year 10.

LOCKERS

The use of lockers is available for students in Key Stage 3.



KEY STAGE 4 (YEARS 10 & 11)

SUBJECTS

Key Stage 4 consists of the two-year IGCSE programme. A maximum of eight subjects are studied at IGCSE/GCSE level.

All students study Mathematics, English, and Science at IGCSE level.

PSHRE and Physical Education are compulsory non-examined subjects.

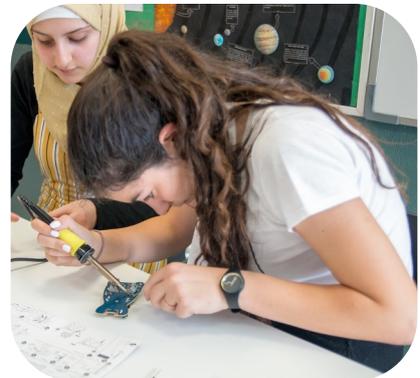
Mock examinations take place in Year 10 and 11. The final examinations take place in May/June of Year 11.

PARENT-TEACHER MEETINGS

Parent-Teacher meetings take place twice a year. All subject teachers can be seen at any time throughout the year by appointment.

INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE EVENING

In February/March of Year 11, parents and students are invited to attend an Information and Guidance Evening on subject choices for the AS and A Level programme in the Sixth Form.



SIXTH FORM (YEARS 12 & 13)

Students are expected to be present at school all day, every day. Special permission may be granted for your child to arrive later and leave earlier under exceptional circumstances.

All students must sign in and out if they have been granted permission to arrive or leave earlier.

Sixth Form students do not wear uniform but are expected to be appropriately dressed according to the Dress Code.



TIMETABLE

Every student is given their individual timetable on the first day of term. AS level examinations take place in May/June of Year 12.

Students start working on their personal statements with the assistance of the Head of Academics towards the end of Year 12.

Throughout Year 12 and 13, Admissions Officers from established and leading universities regularly present to our students during form time.

Students sit the final GCE/A Level exams in May/June of Year 13.

University applications are made no later than mid-January of Year 13. For students applying to study medicine, dentistry or to study at the Universities of Cambridge or Oxford, these applications must be submitted by mid-October of Year 13.



SUBJECTS

In the Sixth Form students are preparing for the AS and A Level Examinations. In Year 12 non-native speakers also prepare for IELTS, an English language requirement for many UK and international universities, with most students taking the exam during Year 13.

Students usually study four subjects of their choice at AS level and three for A Level. Physical Education and PSHRE remain compulsory albeit non-examined subjects in the Sixth Form.





“
How little do we know that which we are!
How less what we may be!”



from stanza 99 of Canto XV of
Don Juan, by Lord Byron

Always laugh when you can. It is a cheap medicine.

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