Wandsworth School,
Technical Branch (Building),
Garratt Lane, S.W.18.

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Notice to parents of new boys.

Dear Parent,

As your boy is a new boy next term, he will be expected to attend school on Monday 5th September at 10 a.m., in order to receive general instructions, to be placed in a Form and House and to purchase a school cap (price 8/6); he may also purchase a school tie (price 4/9). The money for these should be brought at the same time.

If you wish your boy to have a school blazer in time for the first day of next term, you should visit Messrs. Wakelings of Clapham Park Road, S.W.4. (near the Plough) in the near future and give in your name. I have issued them with an authorisation to allow you to purchase a school blazer and any other kit your boy may require.

There will be no afternoon school on Monday the 5th September and your boy will leave not later than 12.30 p.m. so that he will be able to come home for his mid-day meal. School will start in earnest the following day, Tuesday the 6th September at 9 a.m. and school dinner will be available, price 9d.

Yours faithfully;

John Makin,

Master - in- charge.

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Notes for parents of new boys

Hours of attendance

Morning session : 9 a.m. to 12.45 p.m.
Afternoon session: 1.50 to 4.00 p.m.

Attendance at out-of-school activities may involve staying some days until 5 p.m. or even later.

Absence

Regular attendance is expected of every boy. Illness excepted, boys may be absent only with the prior consent of the Headmaster. This also applies to the family holiday during term time, which may not exceed two weeks.

School outfit

This consists of a school cap, blazer and tie. The cap and the tie should be purchased from the school on the first day of term and cost 8/6 and 4/9 respectively. The blazer can be purchased from Messrs Wakelings, The Plough, Clapham during the vacation.

Any parent unable to purchase these should apply through the headmaster for a uniform grant. (This is applicable to boys under 15 years of age. Boys over 15 are eligible for Maintenance Grants which may be as much as £45 per annum).

Games Kit

Every boy is expected to have a gym vest, shorts and plimsolls for use in the gym; also suitable kit for football, cricket and swimming. These may be bought at any outfitters.

Overalls

These are not compulsory but parents are advised to provide their boys with them for the protection of their clothing in the work shops.

Bicycles

Boys may bring these to school but on account of the limited storage accommodation boys living near the school should not bring them.

Homework

Parents are asked to cooperate in giving every facility and encouragement to this essential part of school work. A regulated amount of homework is expected from every boy.

Evening Classes

Boys are not allowed to attend these without the prior consent of the day school headmaster. This is a Council rule and must be adhered to.

Travel to School

Boys who live more than 3 miles from school will be provided with a free travel pass.

Midday meal

Boys who do not go home for the midday meal must have it at school, either school dinner or packed lunch. The former is strongly recommended as the meal is well-balanced and wholesome and costs only 9d (or less, depending on the number of children of school age in the family.)

Stationery, books and materials.

These are provided free of charge but each boy is responsible for what he is issued with and will have to replace anything lost or wantonly damaged. Boys are encouraged to buy suitable drawing instruments and use them both at home and at school.