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# Filey School Prospectus

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Welcome to Filey School

A community centred school that puts the needs of all our students first and foremost.



# Dear Parents & Carers

**Choosing your child's secondary school is an exciting and important milestone for your family. At Filey School, we are delighted to offer you all the benefits of a first class 11-16 education.**

**Filey School is one of six schools in the local area that make up part of the Coast and Vale Learning Trust, and we are extremely excited about the opportunities on offer to our students through our new partnership with our friends at Delta Academy Trust.**

Filey School is a wonderful place to LEARN and grow. As you enter the building you can feel the buzz of enthusiasm. We know each of our students very well, meaning we can help them "be the best they can be". Our mission is to ensure every child is a 'successful student' and we are very much 'community centred', which we believe nurtures an important sense of belonging to something bigger when you join Filey School.

We aim to ensure that our pupils can learn in a safe and supportive environment, where everyone values academic achievement and has a positive attitude to learning. As a result of our journey of continuous improvement, our pupils achieved our best ever GCSE results in the summer of 2024, and we continue to go from strength to strength.

You are not just joining an exceptional school, you'll be taking up a place in a Trust that is committed to ensuring that students get the best possible start in life by achieving excellent academic qualifications, gaining confidence through an experiential curriculum and develop a sense of self-worth and aspiration. We are proud to be part of a Trust that believes in providing educational experiences that inspire our pupils to broaden their horizons.

## The Filey School experience includes:

- An opportunity to attend a residential in the Lake District National Park at the Delta Trust's Outdoor Education Centre at Patterdale on Ullswater;
- Access to a variety of educational visits in the UK and abroad;
- Enhanced opportunities to learn a range of musical instruments;
- Access to sports facilities and participation in town, county and Trust-wide events;
- Opportunities to compete in events across the country including, Cyber-North, Science Mavericks, poetry and music festivals and the highly acclaimed 'Delta Games';
- Fully resourced and funded curriculum resources, including knowledge organisers and bespoke revision guides, as well as free access to exceptional online study packages.

Filey School is an exceptional academy, led by highly qualified staff, who prioritise every student's academic achievements and personal development to ensure they have the very best start in life.

Given this year's excellent results, and improved offer we anticipate high demand for places. To secure your place register your preference through North Yorkshire admissions.

**We look forward to working with you as partners; come and join us to secure a great future for your child.**



**Michelle Britton**  
Headteacher



**Paul Tarn**  
CEO



# Uniform

At Filey School we believe children should dress for success!

Your child will need a school uniform including:

- Black blazer with school logo
- Filey clip on tie
- White shirt
- Black trousers/ Dark green knee length Filey School skirt
- Plain black flat polishable shoes.
- Plain black V-necked jumper worn under blazer (optional)

PE Kit:

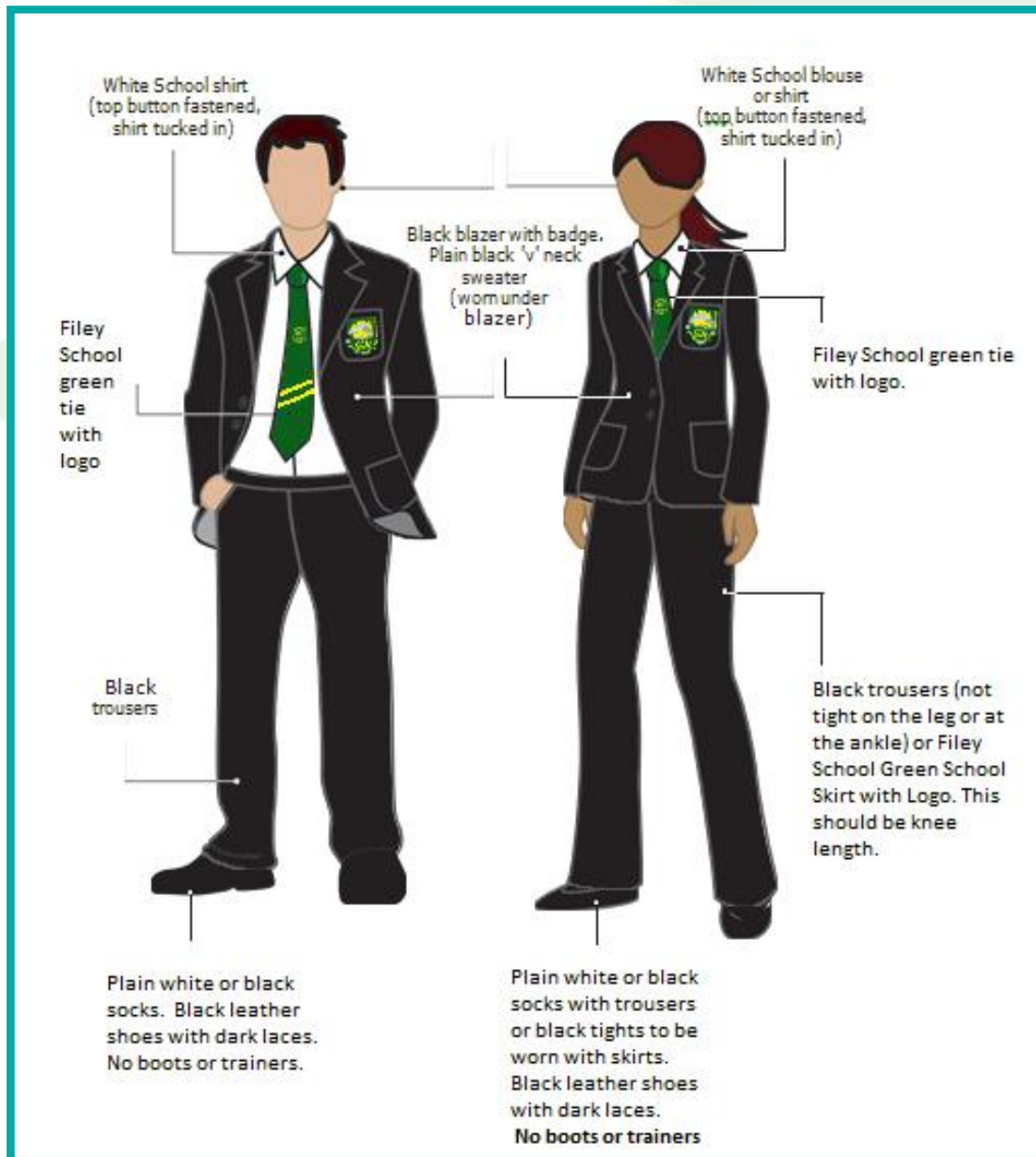
- School PE Shirt
- School PE shorts/Leggings
- Optional School PE fleece
- Black football socks
- Training shoes
- Optional football boots

School uniform can be purchased from Rumours, 17 Victoria Road, Scarborough YO11 1SB.

We also have a small Pre-Loved Uniform shop where we provide items for a small, voluntary donation.



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# Sharing resources

Our subject specialists have developed Key Stage 3 knowledge organisers, packed with subject-specific information and active learning tasks for students to complete at home.

With QR codes and links to online resources, including 'Spax Maths', 'Spax Science' and 'Languagenut', students' learning extends beyond the classroom and are completely **FREE**.

Common assessments are written by our specialists, and we work in collaboration with Delta Academy Trust to compare responses of students across many schools. This means we are able to really focus on areas where we identify our students may need more support.

Subject specialists (including qualified examiners) develop GCSE revision guides for our students, providing personalised learning and detailed course based content when it really counts. Our students receive these resources for **FREE**.



# Working with you

As partners in your child's educational journey, we use outstanding data comparison technology to provide you regular updates on your child's progress:

## We use Common Assessments

- Students in Year 7 to Year 9 across all academies, take key stage 3 assessments in English, Mathematics, Science, Geography, History, Modern foreign languages, and Computing twice a year.
- These assessments are designed by in-house subject experts such as linguists, authors, physicists and mathematicians that test the knowledge, skills and understanding students have acquired and retained in their learning since the beginning of the academic year.
- Students receive their marked assessments along with a record of their strengths and weaknesses, and they can download mark schemes to identify their own areas for improvement. These mark schemes are also available to you, allowing you to review them and gain a clear understanding of your child's progress.

## Regular reporting to partners

You, as partners, receive a student report twice a year (January and July) that provides an overview of performance in key stage 3 assessments, predicted grades and target grades in key stage 4, and an effort grade in all subjects.

Reports are available online through the My Child At School App and provide information on:

- Each assessment (December and June) completed by students up to that point in the academic year
- The Progress of your child in line with expectations.

**John Example (7A)**  
Interim Pupil Report – January 2020

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY (since September)	
Attendance	
Authorised absences	94.8%
Unauthorised absences	19
Number of late sessions	0
Key Stage 2 Reading scaled score	7
Key Stage 2 Maths scaled score	110
Key Stage 2 Average scaled score	110

**English**  
Since September we have read a wide range of fiction and non-fiction, including in particular whole books, short stories, poems and plays with a wide coverage of genres, historical periods, forms and authors, including high-quality works from English literature, both pre-1914 and contemporary, including prose, poetry and drama; Shakespeare (2 plays) and seminal world literature

Effort: **Outstanding**  
Assessment: **75%**

**Mathematics**  
Since September we have consolidated their numerical and mathematical capability from key stage 2 and extend their understanding of the number system and place value to include decimals, fractions, powers and roots. Learned how to elect and use appropriate calculation strategies to solve increasingly complex problems. Used algebra to generalise the structure of arithmetic, including to formulate mathematical relationships.

Effort: **Outstanding**  
Assessment: **75%**

**Science**  
Since September we developed scientific knowledge and conceptual understanding through the specific disciplines of biology, chemistry and physics. Developed understanding of the nature, processes and methods of science through different types of science enquiries that help them to answer scientific questions about the world around them.

Effort: **Outstanding**  
Assessment: **75%**

**Example Pupil (11A)**  
Pupil Report – July 2018

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY (since September)	
Attendance	
Authorised absences	94.8%
Unauthorised absences	19
Number of late sessions	0
Key Stage 2 Reading scaled score	7
Key Stage 2 Maths scaled score	110
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PREDICTED GRADES AND EFFORT			
Qualification	Target Grade	Predicted Grade	Effort
GCSE English Language	Grade 6	Grade 5	Requires Improvement
GCSE English Literature	Grade 6	Grade 6	Good
GCSE Mathematics	Grade 5	Grade 3	Unsatisfactory
GCSE Combined Science	Grade 6	Grade 4	Good
GCSE History	Grade 6	Grade 6	Outstanding
GCSE French	Grade 6	Grade 3	Unsatisfactory
GCSE Health and Social Care	Grade 6	Level 2 Pass	Requires Improvement
BTEC Level 1/2 Tech Award in Performing Arts	Level 2 Pass	Level 2 Merit	Requires Improvement

Legend:  
Green: Predicted grade is equal to or above the target grade.  
Yellow: Predicted grade is one grade below the target grade.  
Red: Predicted grade is more than one grade below the target grade.



# English



## Curriculum

### A Bespoke Curriculum

Our bespoke curriculum strategies include: Ruth Miskin Fresh Start programme, small group or one-to-one support, Rapid Plus, Reading Plus, peer-mentoring initiatives during tutor time, high frequency word practice, word of the week subject-specific vocabulary, reciprocal reading and other support programmes. In addition, we also aim to challenge our high-level readers through a range of activities such as book and debate clubs.

### Competitions and Events

Students in Years 7 and 8 can participate in annual poetry events. These events often feature guest authors and special visitors, providing inspiration and a chance to meet literary heroes. Aspiring young writers can test their skills in national writing competitions, offering a platform to showcase talent and potentially gain recognition on a national scale.

### Reading Routes

We are passionate about igniting a love of reading in our students. That's why we are launching "Reading Routes," a programme designed to encourage reading for pleasure. Students embark on an exciting journey through different genres, locations and time periods. Reading Routes goes beyond the typical curriculum. It begins in the classroom with students reading as a group with a mentor to develop a reading community. Through the programme, students are supported to branch out to explore their own interests. With our incredibly well resourced library on hand, our students are sure to find something that sparks their imagination and fosters a lifelong love of reading.







# Mathematics

## Curriculum

### Mathematical Skills

Our mathematics curriculum creates mathematically literate citizens with the knowledge to succeed in life. Students learn to be resilient, to be efficient and to persevere. Students become equipped with the essential skills to understand the world around them, with mathematical skills for future learning and employment. They develop critical thinking through problem-solving activities that encourage exploration and embrace 'wrong turns' as valuable learning steps. We believe everyone can excel in mathematics.

The Delta mathematics curriculum seamlessly progresses from Key Stage 2, building a strong foundation for further education and future careers. We utilise the Sparx online platform to solidify learning and propel students towards mastery. We offer exciting extracurricular activities like enrichment trips and the United Kingdom Mathematical Challenges. High-performing students can even pursue the Further Mathematics GCSE qualification.

### Trust-wide Events

Events like the Year 11 Enigma Masterclass push boundaries with fun, maths-filled activities. Students participate in relays, quizzes, and workshops on calculator tips, formula sheet usage, and mastering those maffles and triangles!

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**Sparx Maths: effective for all students**

**Sparx Maths helps students from disadvantaged backgrounds progress at the same rate as other students.**



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# Science Curriculum

## A Roadmap to Success

Our meticulously planned curriculum adheres to the national curriculum for Key Stage 3 and seamlessly aligns with the AQA specifications for either GCSE Double or Triple Science. Rooted in the latest research and recognised by Ofsted, our Science Curriculum provides a solid foundation.

## Unleashing Inner Scientists

We celebrate science throughout the year with exciting themed events like “Space Week”, “Brain Day” and “World Bee Day.” These wider curriculum lessons spark curiosity and broaden scientific horizons. Students also participate in our termly science competitions.

## Nurturing Future STEM Leaders

We offer an after-school STEM club, featuring activities around Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. Year 9 students can also get involved in Lego Robotics, participating in both regional and national competitions.

## Mavericks

High-achieving students in Years 9, 10, and 11 may be selected for the prestigious “Science Mavericks” event. Collaborate with other Coast and Vale and Delta students from other academies to tackle real-world scientific challenges, exploring topics like the future of earth and the possibility of terraforming celestial bodies!

**Sparx Science:** *effective for all students*

**“Sparx Science helps students from disadvantaged backgrounds progress at the same rate as other students.”**

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Arrivals

# Spanish Curriculum

## Your Bridge to a World of Opportunity

We believe every student should have the chance to explore the world through languages. Learning Spanish is more than memorising vocabulary – it's a journey of cultural discovery and personal growth.

Our vision is to broaden horizons, helping students develop new perspectives on the world as they step beyond familiar boundaries, sometimes literally as they step off a plane in sunny Spain. We aim to enable students to express themselves confidently in another language and converse with native speakers. These skills will become life skills for the future, allowing students to navigate practical situations, learn new ways of thinking, and appreciate diverse cultural expressions.

The Spanish curriculum emphasises core grammar, vocabulary, and phonics, equipping students with a solid foundation for all four language skills: listening, speaking, reading, and writing. As they progress, students will revisit and deepen their understanding of key concepts, building fluency and accuracy.

We believe in fostering confidence and independence as a language learner. Our curriculum is designed to empower students to tackle new challenges and succeed in the Spanish speaking world.

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# Performing Arts

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### Igniting Creativity and Celebrating the Power of Performance

Drama and dance come alive through a range of exciting opportunities. Students can refine their acting and production skills through our dynamic drama and production clubs available throughout the Trust. Many clubs even culminate in performances, fostering a strong school community.

Students can take their performance skills beyond the classroom with theatre visits and workshops led by visiting artists. These experiences broaden horizons and provide invaluable insights from industry professionals.

There are opportunities for students to showcase their talents alongside their peers in academy talent shows. For dedicated drama students pursuing this curriculum, trips to London's West End are a highlight. Students are immersed in the magic of live theatre and witness professional performances first-hand.

Our Arts curriculum is more than just learning lines and choreography. It's about self-expression, collaboration, and developing the confidence to shine on stage.



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# Music *curriculum*

## Education is more than Academic Achievement

Music is more than just notes on a page. It's a vibrant journey of exploration, performance, and personal growth. Our curriculum is designed to nurture a lifelong love of music in every student.

Music fosters social connections, boosts enjoyment, and provides a foundation for lifelong participation in music, regardless of any potential career path. Whether it's pursuing music professionally or simply enjoying it for fun, Our music curriculum equips students with the skills and appreciation to enrich their lives with music.

Our curriculum emphasises hands-on learning, equipping students with the skills to sing, play instruments, and participate in musical activities. Delve into the world of music through active and passive listening, exploring a variety of sounds and genres. Learn to play simple melodic instruments and percussion, building confidence and musical expression.

## Under the Spotlight

There are numerous opportunities to perform at various events throughout the year, from conferences to celebrations. We have recording studios across the Trust schools, giving students the opportunity to take musical creations to the next level.



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# Sport

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**Whether you plan on becoming an elite athlete or simply enjoy staying active, we have something for you!**

The Coast and Vale Learning Trust boasts excellent sporting facilities such as a large indoor sports hall, gym, 3G Astro pitches and a large outdoor multi-purpose sports field.

Examples of the activities we offer include sports such as football, netball, badminton, basketball, hockey, athletics, tennis, gymnastics, trampolining, rounders and cricket. We also offer a range of well-being activities such as dance, fitness clubs, yoga, dodgeball, and exercise classes. Furthermore, we can now utilise Delta Trust Outdoor Centres in the Lake District and North Yorkshire. At these centres students can choose to take part in mountain biking, canoeing, rock climbing, hill walking and abseiling.

We encourage all students to represent the school in one of the many clubs and teams which are available.

As part of an aspirant School, we encourage students to pursue their sporting dreams. A number of our highest performing students perform at an elite level at international venues, including sailing, weightlifting and football. Students who compete in the Delta Games will have the opportunity to experience training and competing in some of the best facilities in the country.

There are a range of sporting experiences available for you. You can see the top stars, experience iconic sporting events and undertake overseas tours where opportunities present.

There is no surprise that our students go on to achieve excellent results at both KS4 and KS5 level. Many go on to have successful careers in sports and leisure industries.

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# Humanities

## Curriculum

### Explore, Analyse, and Understand Our World

Our Geography curriculum is designed to ignite curiosity and wonder about the world around you.

Students explore both human and physical aspects of geography, examining themes like sustainability, development, globalisation, and climate change. Cartographic, graphical, ICT, and GIS skills will make students proficient in analysing geographical data.

Apply knowledge in real-world settings through exciting fieldwork trips. These immersive experiences range from local investigations to residential adventures like the Patterdale trip. During this trip, students conduct a river study in Mungrisdale, explore flood management strategies in Keswick, visit Aira Force waterfall, and even embark on a scenic cruise of Lake Windermere, England's longest lake. The journey culminates in a challenging climb up Orrest Head, with spectacular views.

### Other exciting trips and fieldwork include:

- Year 7 students participating in infiltration investigations
- Year 8 tackling micro-climate investigations
- Year 9 embarking on a river study trip to Malham or Patterdale residential
- Year 10 and 11 completing coastal management enquiries in Hornsea, and for their human geography fieldwork, visiting Sheffield, Hornsea, Nottingham, or Middlesbrough to explore housing quality.

Enrichment trips add another dimension to learning, with destinations like Iceland, Italy, the Holland, and peaceful revision weekends in Dallowgill, Nidderdale.

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# Humanities

## Curriculum

Our History curriculum empowers students to think critically about the world they live in. Here's what sets us apart:

**Questioning the Past:** We encourage students to analyse historical events and perspectives, fostering independent thinking beyond 'received wisdom'. Don't just accept information at face value – learn to question and examine evidence.

**Global Context:** Move beyond a solely British perspective. Students explore a variety of cultures and historical events on a local, national, and international scale, from Ancient times to the Modern era. This global awareness is crucial for understanding how our world is interconnected.

**Building Historical Worlds:** Immerse yourself in different historical periods through engaging activities like "building worlds" in your mind. Historical fiction becomes a springboard for exploration, igniting curiosity and sparking questions about the past.

**Diverse Voices:** Encounter a range of historical figures and perspectives, gaining a well-rounded understanding of the past. Learn about the world from the viewpoints of people from all walks of life.



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# The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

**We are proud to champion the transformative power of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award (DofE). This prestigious programme equips young people across our academies with essential skills and experiences that set them up for success in all aspects of life.**

The DofE programme goes beyond traditional education, fostering a holistic development that benefits students in numerous ways:

- Learning new skills ignites passions and talents.
- Regular physical activity fosters a healthy lifestyle.
- Volunteering builds responsibility and community spirit.
- Overcoming challenges builds resilience and confidence.
- Teamwork and leadership skills develop through expeditions.

The DofE Award is recognised by universities and employers.

- Strong social skills and lasting friendships are fostered.
- DofE activities enhance mental well-being and cultural awareness.

There are three sections to complete at Bronze, Silver and Gold levels.

They involve helping the community/environment, becoming fitter and healthier, developing new skills, planning, training for and completing an expedition and, for Gold only, working with a team on a residential activity.

**Achieving an award isn't a competition or about being first, it's about setting personal challenges and pushing personal boundaries.**



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# Outdoor Enrichment

## Unforgettable Environmental Learning

We see educational visits as an indispensable part of the broad and balanced curriculum that is offered at Filey School. They are an opportunity to extend students learning and enrich their appreciation and understanding of themselves, others and the world around them.

## A Commitment to Accessibility and Opportunity

Where possible we aim to enable as many students as possible to participate in the range of visits offered by the school.

## Removing Barriers to Learning

We understand that financial constraints shouldn't hinder educational opportunities. That's why the Trust provides financial support to students who may struggle to access these experiences.

Trips and destinations on offer include:

- London
- Berlin
- York
- Whitby
- Skiing in the Alps



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# Patterdale

## Outdoor enrichment

### Expanding Horizons

As part of our partnership work with Delta Trust, we will now have access to an Outdoor Education Centre in the Lake District National Park. This exciting addition provides students with even greater opportunities for transformative outdoor learning experiences.

### A Landscape of Adventure

Nestled amidst breathtaking scenery, Patterdale offers a unique opportunity for students to delve deeper into adventurous activities. Imagine scaling iconic peaks like Helvellyn via Striding Edge, exploring the shores of Ullswater, or encountering diverse wildlife in the centre's four-acre haven, complete with a river, wetlands, and rare birds. Patterdale is designed to ignite a passion for the outdoors and inspire a sense of adventure in every student.

To maximise learning opportunities, there are plans to construct a permanent observatory at Patterdale, harnessing the wonders of the night sky.

### Memorable Experiences, Lifelong Impact

Patterdale promises unforgettable experiences that will leave a lasting impact. Students return with stories of personal growth, new-found confidence, and a deeper connection with the natural world. We are committed to fostering these transformative experiences for all our students.



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# Cyber North

## Digital Defence

This immersive annual event, co-organised by Delta and Northern Education Trust, is designed to introduce students to the ever-growing field of cyber security.

### Why Cyber Security Matters

In today's digital age, where everyone relies on computers and the internet, cyber security is more important than ever. Cyber North equips students with the knowledge and skills to protect themselves from online threats like identity theft, financial fraud, and more.

### Engaging Activities and Friendly Competition

The event features a variety of engaging activities that put students' problem-solving skills to the test. They are reimagined as digital detectives, cracking codes, analysing evidence, and bringing cyber criminals to justice. There's even a healthy dose of friendly competition between participating schools, making the experience more exciting.

### Building a Brighter Future

Cyber North goes beyond just raising awareness. It empowers students to take control of their digital safety and explore potential careers in the booming cyber security field. By participating in this event, students gain valuable insights into this critical field and discover if a cyber security career path might be the perfect fit.



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# Trust-wide Events





# Careers Education



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As a Trust we understand that everyone's career path is personal and also adapts over time. As a result, we offer an extensive range of guidance and opportunities that start from year 7 and adjust to meet changing aspirations throughout.

All students are given the opportunity to visit colleges, universities and workplaces, and experience first-hand potential career routes. Students are given access to a large range of potential employers, including a tailored programme of experiences with the National company, Haven. Students are also given the opportunity to hone their interview skills in mock interviews conducted by local and National employers.

Whether your child is interested in the world of work or further academic study, they will be guided and supported to make a decision that is right for them. We are proud to work with multiple partners such as the University of Coventry, The University of Hull and Anglo American, all of who allow students to think widely and deeply about how they would like their careers after school to progress.

All our students have regular access to an independent careers advisor who will guide them via informal chats about career paths as well as by more formal scheduled careers appointments.

## Quality career support

Our Trust is proud to have been recognised for its outstanding careers education in receiving an award for securing students some of the most aspirational career routes available for young adults and helping them embark on exciting, unlimited career paths.



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# Personal Development

Our curriculum is designed to improve learners' self-esteem while developing higher aspirations in both current academic situations and in pursuing long term careers.

*What can you expect?*

## Experiences & Celebrations

- Enterprise Roadshow Science and Engineering Week
- Mentor Reading Programme
- Student Parliament
- Seaside Visits
- Theatre Trips
- Awards Events
- World Book day

## Contributions

You will contribute to representing the academy by:

Volunteering as a student ambassador at a parents evening / open evening.

Regularly participating in enrichment activity. This might be as part of a sports team or performing within school as part of the winter or summer production.

## Enrichment and Clubs

- Rugby
- Football
- IT
- Dance
- Badminton
- Netball
- Trampolineing
- Games Club
- Maths Workshops with AMSP
- Table Tennis
- Knitting
- Homework Club
- Drama and Choir
- Chess Club

## Even more activities...

- Languages Week
- Mental Health Day
- The Trading Game
- SPARX drop in
- Art competitions
- Poetry competitions
- Reading Celebrations

*And so much more!*



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# Everyone is *included*



At Filey School we are ambitious for all students. We have high expectations that everyone will excel, regardless of starting points. We support students to understand and apply their learning and achieve well.

We understand that some young people will require additional support for part or all of their time with us. If your child is identified as having SEND they will have a bespoke Learning Passport, which identifies strategies teachers and support staff should use in order to support them to achieve their full potential.

The Learning Passport will be written in partnership with you and your child, and reviewed on a termly basis to ensure we continue to support your child's progress, both academically and pastorally.



## *Dedicated staff members*

We have a dedicated team of support staff led by our Special Educational Needs Coordinator. Together they strive to provide the best for students with additional needs including delivering a range of bespoke interventions.

The SENCO works closely with the local primary schools and the local authority to ensure that students are effectively supported during their transition to us from our local primary schools.





So, what are you waiting for?  
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