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You are joining us at an extremely exciting time with lots of new opportunities on the horizon. Our continuing partnership with the Coast and Vale family of schools alongside our new collaboration with Delta Academy Trust will help to further drive up standards and ensure we are all the very best we can be.





A Warm Welcome from the Headteacher



Welcome to the Filey School class of 2029! I am delighted that you and your family are joining us at Filey School. It is a pleasure to welcome you to our school community and I am really looking forward to getting to know each of you over the coming years.

Filey School is a growing school with a very special, warm and friendly ethos. The students you will meet here are diverse, talented and wonderful individuals. We believe all young people have the potential to achieve anything they aim for in life and we will work relentlessly to help you fulfil your ambition no matter what it may be. This is why it is so important to us that we get to know each of you individually. We will support you throughout your time with us to ensure you succeed both academically and personally, to become 'the best you can be', so you can focus on your outcomes. Your form tutor is an important person in making sure this happens. They will be there for you whenever you need to talk to someone or ask for help with anything. You also have a learning manager available to help, should you need them. Both of these people will communicate with home to make sure you are happy and successful at Filey School.

We are extremely proud to be part of the Coast and Vale Learning Trust and working in partnership with Delta Academy. As such, we hold very high expectations of all our students and expect you to strive to 'be the best you can be' in all you do throughout your time at Filey school. Your teachers will challenge you, support you and ensure that you aspire to succeed to the very best of your ability. It is always wonderful to see our students receiving rewards such as golden tickets and watching them achieve their bronze, silver and gold merit badges throughout the school year. I'm really looking forward to seeing you achieve yours.

Your transition event will give you an opportunity to learn about your new environment, develop relationships with peers and teachers and enjoy taking part in a range of exciting, academic and enrichment activities. We hope you will make the most of the opportunity to get to know your new form group, make new friendships and explore your new school.

Finally, we believe that young people learn best when there is a strong partnership between home and school. As such, I hope you and your family will take full advantage of the growing opportunities to get involved with school life over the coming months and years to help us make your education fun, fulfilling and successful. I really look forward to meeting you in person.









Mrs J Emmerson - Senior Pastoral Lead

I am the Senior Leader for Engagement and Safety and I am also the Deputy Designated Safeguarding



Lead. This means that I am responsible for ensuring that you all feel happy and safe in school; we know that when students feel settled and secure they will achieve more. We all work tirelessly to ensure all students feel safe and supported in school and we want you to develop a sense of belonging and feel able to trust and,

when needed to, talk openly about problems. We can provide support in school or we can liaise with external agencies to get you the support you need.

If you need to report any safeguarding concerns, you can speak with any member of staff who will direct you to myself orMrs Pickering who is our Safeguarding Lead.

Mr J Oakley - Year 7 Learning Manager

I am the Learning Manager for Year 7 and will be the main point of contact for you in school.

I work within a team of staff who look after the welfare of students at Filey School. Every year group has a Learning Manager, and you will find the team in the Learning Manager office on the main school corridor. You can also find me on duty both before and after school, as well as at break and lunchtime.



In relation to daily routines, your form tutor will be your first point of contact who you will see every day for 20 minutes minimum during form time. This takes place from 9.40 - 10.00 am every day. It is at these times where you will receive key messages for the day, week and term.







The School Day

- 8.15 Arrive at School
- 8.35 First Bell Student entry into school
- 8.40 9.40 Lesson One
- 9.40 10.00 Form Time and Activities
- 10.00 10.20 Break / Canteen
- 10.20 11.20 Lesson Two
- 11.20 12.20 Lesson Three
- 12.20 13.10 Lunch / Canteen
- 13.10 14.10 Lesson 4
- 14.10 15.10 Lesson 5
- 15.10 Extra Curricular Activities

Leon B - Year Nine

I think Filey School is a great school. You get to study lots of different subjects and the teachers are all really helpful. One of my favourite subjects is PE, which isn't just about sport but about fitness and health as well.

The Senior Leadership Team are a great team as they really do work hard to make the school a good, warm, welcoming school. They always check in with me to see how I am doing and have a chat with me. Even the cleaners talk to me - this is a really friendly school!

We get rewarded at Filey School with merits and 'Golden Tickets'. If you win the golden draw you win an Amazon voucher. I got one for improvement in my English work.

Fridays are the best day because we get chips and curry sauce - just what we want in a seaside school!







Who do I turn to for help and advice?

The school's focus on learning is at the centre of everything we do, helping to develop your communication skills, originality and foster creativity.

At Filey School, we are a caring and orderly community where individuals are valued and are able to learn, contribute and develop. In order to achieve this, we aim to provide a disciplined and purposeful environment, where the traditional values of mutual care, consideration and acceptance flourish.

To help your transition to Filey School, we would like to introduce you to some key members of staff.

The staff, photographed below, will be the first point of contact for many of you. Your form tutor is the person you will see at least once every day during form time.

Mrs Pickering, as well as Mrs Emmerson are the people you would see should you have any safeguarding concerns

Mr Oakley is the key person in school who will assist with any additional support you need.



Mrs Jodie Emmerson Senior Pastoral Lead Deputy Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Pickering
Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mr Oakley Yr 7 Learning Manager



Miss Gordan



Mr Glover Year 7 Form Tutor



Mrs Baxter



Miss Francis Year 7 Form Tutor













School Uniform

Wearing uniform is obligatory; all students must comply with the school's uniform code.

Not only does the uniform and smartness of our students add to the school's image and prestige in the wider community, but it also contributes significantly to a business-like atmosphere within school, that we see as being conducive to achievement.

A high standard of appearance is required at all times and is integral to creating our positive ethos and sense of self worth.

We only allow students to wear one watch and one pair of stud earrings. Rings and bracelets are not permitted in school.

Mobile phones, although permitted in school, are not to be seen during the school day. This includes lessons and social times.

We do not accept the following: denim jackets, hoodies, caps, designer clothing, body piercings, extreme hairstyles or colours, excessive make-up (including false nails and eyelashes), or the wearing of trainers other than in PE lessons.







Student Uniform Requirements



Daily Uniform

PE Kit

- Black blazer with school badge to be worn at all times in school
- Optional black school v-neck jumper (round neck jumpers are not permitted)
- Plain white shirt (long or short sleeved)
- School tie
- Plain black trousers.
- Or....
- Plain green skirt with academy logo or plain black trousers, straight legged, slightly flared or boot cut.
- Jeans, skin-tight trousers and leggings are not permitted
- Black socks or black tights
- Plain black sensible shoes (not boots, trainers, suede or canvas pumps or sandals)

Compulsory PE Kit

- Trainers
- Filey School polo shirt
- Filey School shorts or leggings
- Filey Football socks
- NO JEWELLERY

Optional PE Kit

- Football boots and shin pads
- Filey School fleece
- Filey School rugby shirt
- Plain black tracksuit bottoms or leggings
- Plain black under skin
- Plain black beanie hat and gloves

Further Information

In addition to the information above, we do not allow the wearing of hoodies at any time during the school day. Uniform can be purchased from 'Rumours' in Scarborough. Should your child come to school in clothing not listed above they will be given school uniform to wear from the supplies we hold in school.







What does my child need?

At Filey School, your child will have to walk from one lesson to the next. They will therefore need to carry all of their books and items with them for each lesson. A robust bag or rucksack will be required Lockers are however available to store books, PE kit etc, at a cost of £5 deposit. This will be returned at the end of the year, when the key is returned to reception.

It would be useful for your child to get in to the habit of packing their bag the night before with all the things they will need for the next day. On the first day of school your child will be issued with their timetable, which will be copied into their planner to help with organisation.

Essential Items

- School Bag (This should be hardwearing and large enough to hold all of your child's equipment and books).
- Pencil Case
- Black and Green Pens
- Pencils
- Ruler
- Rubber
- Pencil Sharpener
- Calculator (see details later)
- Highlighter Pens
- Colouring Pencils
- PE Kit

Recommended Items

- Protractor
- Compass

Student Planner

On your child's first day at Filey School, they will be issued with a planner. This should be carried with them from lesson to lesson and placed, open, on their desk at the start of the lesson.

It should be used for:

- Writing down important information
- Recording homework and the due date for handing it in
- Absence notes for your child's tutor
- Keeping important school papers and letters safe on their way home.

Your child's form tutor will check and sign the planner each week. Parents are asked to do the same. This will ensure a clear and regular means of communication is established between home and school







Personal Development

Personal development is a hugely important part of a young person's education. For us at Filey School this involves:

Our Values, Character and Identity; Being Healthy and Safe; Being Respectful; Being RE informed Citizens; Being Successful in the Future.

Alongside Life lessons, assemblies and form time provide important opportunities for students to develop these aspects. This is done through a range of activities including, but not limited to, presentations by guest speakers from the local community, scenario based learning, celebrations and rewards, Word of the Week and a focus on topical news items, all with the aim of supporting our students to be the best they can be.





It was transition day 2023 for us last year and I am sure we all felt the same. We were excited to go and look around our new school, but there were also a lot of nerves! As much as it is a big jump having to move up schools, going from the oldest in your school to the youngest in the next, I am sure you will settle right in and get used to the school very quickly. We had a very warm welcome from all staff members and students. You will find that the staff at Filey school are going to try their best to challenge you and push you to the best of your ability to help you become successful students. By the end of my three day transition event, I felt more than ready for my September start. I hope that you all have a great transition and settle in is as well as we did.







Homework

Calculator

At Filey School, we believe that learning independently, planning and organising time outside the classroom are important skills to develop from the outset.

homework, with homework set by different subjects during the week with clear deadlines. Students will be given sufficient time to complete homework. All homework and deadlines should be recorded in the student planner.

The time devoted to homework should increase as the student progresses through the school. The focus of homework will also change as students progress towards external exams.

Did you know your choice of calculator can help you to make better progress in Maths? We recommend that all students should invest in the 'Casio CLASSWIZ - fx-83GTX (pictured below).









Extra Curricular Activities

At Filey School, we place a strong emphasis on ensuring every child has the opportunity to reach their full potential. As a result, we offer a wide and exciting range of clubs both within the school lunch time and as part of an extensive offer of after school clubs, ranging from a multitude of sporting opportunities to ICT Coding Club, school productions, JASS Award and the very popular Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme. The school offers external support for the tuition of students wishing to learn a musical instrument.

Information about the clubs we offer will be given to your child throughout the year. Details of the clubs will also be available on the school website and via social media feeds.











School Attendance

Here at Filey School we strive for our students to be the best they can be, this means that students are attending school regularly to maximise their chances of success. We expect that all students achieve 97% attendance or better, each academic year.

There are 190 school days in an academic year, that means that there is a total of 175 non-school days a year, which gives families the opportunity to take trips, visits and spend time together during these 175 non-school days.

Every day at school counts. Having 90% attendance or below will mean your child is classified as persistently absent from school. If this continues from year 7- 11 that's a total of a combined of 6 months education lost. Children with over 90% attendance are more likely to gain 5 or more grade 4 or above, GCSEs.

It is important that your child arrives at school on time every day ready to learn. If your child is going to be absent, you must inform the attendance officer by 9:30am. This contact can be made via the My Child at School app or by ringing 01723512354 and choosing option 1. You must ensure that you provide your child's name, form group and reason for absence.



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