



Filey School

21/07/23

Dear Parent/Carer

My name is Mr Oakley, and I am writing to introduce myself as your child's Head of Year. I am very much looking forward to meeting you and working alongside you and your child. This is the final letter of the year from the pastoral team and includes useful information to help prepare you and your child for September 2023 when your child moves up to Year 9.

From September 2023 the Year 9 team will consist of:

- Miss Gordon – Form tutor 8BGo
- Mr Earnshaw – Form tutor 9Rea
- Mr Glover – Form tutor 9HGI
- Mrs Emerson - Senior Leadership Link
- Mr Oakley– Head of Year 9

There has been a slight change in form groups this year, having reduced from 4 groups to 3. If your child was in 8AAv, they have been allocated an alternative form group for the remaining years at Filey School. Your child's form tutor is the first point of contact and I will be working very closely with them to support you. Please do let our team know if you have any queries about anything, however big or small. It is paramount that as a school we do all we can to make your child feel safe for them to have an enjoyable and memorable time with us.

Uniform Information

Filey School's uniform is currently supplied by *Rumours*. They can be found at 17 Victoria Rd, Scarborough, YO11 1SB and their contact number is 01723 501989. From Monday 24th July, Rumours will be open 6 days a week (Monday to Saturday), from 9.30am until 5pm. Rumours recommend booking an allocated 'fitting' appointment, which you can do by ringing the shop. This means you will get a one-to-one service and be sure you have the correct uniform and fit for your child.

Uniform Expectations

We are relentless in ensuring the highest of standards for Filey school students and this includes their uniform.

Students **can**:

- wear one stud earring in each ear
- wear a watch (this must not be a smart watch)

We do **not** permit:

- false nails or eyelashes
- facial, tongue or body piercings (other than stated above)
- hoodies on the school site
- Converse, trainer or ankle boot type footwear.



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Students in year 9 are not permitted to wear make-up to school. Hairstyles should be sensible and business – like. We encourage children with long hair to tie hair back. We do not allow unnatural hair colouring.

All students are to wear full uniform smartly. Please ensure your child's top button is done up, shirt is tucked in, and skirt is **not** rolled up at the waist.

The following items are mandatory items of our school uniform:

- Filey School black blazer with school badge to be worn at all times.
- Plain white shirt (long or short sleeved).
- Filey School tie.
- Plain black school trousers- straight leg, straight cut (slightly flared or boot cut are acceptable) Slim/tight fitting trousers are **not** permitted.
- Filey School green skirt with school logo.
- Black socks or black tights.
- Plain black sensible leather **polishable** school shoes (see image below for guidance on school shoes).
- Black v-neck jumper (this is optional to wear under your child's blazer)

School Shoes

ACCEPTABLE

Black polishable school shoes only.



UNACCEPTABLE

No canvas, trainers, pumps, plimsoles, Vans, Converse, walking boots or boots. Shoes must be flat with no platform or heel and must be below the ankle.





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Equipment

The following items are essential to your child's education and must be brought into school every day. Remembering to bring the required and expected equipment is also helping them to be responsible for their belongings and is a small step in helping to prepare them for later life. Failure to bring the following items will result in appropriate sanctions:

- School planner- this is a diary that will help students to log their homework, take notes, record merits, and find their timetable. They require this every lesson.
- Pencil case- this should include the following items: black, blue, and green pen, pencil, ruler, rubber, calculator, highlighter pen and colouring pencils. Students should **not** bring pencil sharpeners or protractors.
- Reading book- all students are expected to bring a reading book appropriate to their reading age with them to school. They will use this in form times and many lessons. Failure to bring a book will result in a detention.

We recommend the above essentials are carried in a hardwearing school bag, which will also be an essential tool to bring home homework, schoolbooks, and materials home.

Attendance

Please ensure your child attends school every day. **Absences will only be authorised if medical evidence is provided.** Medical evidence can be a medical appointment letter or screen shot of text appointments confirmations. If your child is struggling or has a concern regarding attending school please do let us know so that we can help to support your child. We expect all children to maintain at least 97 % attendance at school. Below this level can have a harmful impact on your child's education and future life chances.

Arrangements for the beginning of the new term - September 2023

We look forward to welcoming all students to school on Tuesday 5th September. Please be reminded that all students should arrive **no later than 8.35am**. Students who are walking to school or being dropped at school by parents should enter school via the pupil gate entrance on Muston Road and go straight to the hall. Students arriving on a bus will be greeted by a member of staff and escorted into school.

Key Dates for the year

We wanted to give you as much notice of key dates for the next academic year, these include:

- 03.10.23 Open Evening years 5 and 6
- 11.01.24 Year 9 Parents' evening
- 21.02.24 Options Evening
- 24.06.24 Year 9 Core Trial Exams week begins
- 17.07.24 Year 9 Trial Exam Results Day



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I really look forward to working with you next year and hope that you have a fantastic summer break.

With best wishes,

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