

FILEY SCHOOL YEAR 6 TRANSITION



Summer 2023



 **Coast
and Vale**
WHERE LEARNERS AND STAFF THRIVE

A bright future lies ahead for you at Filey School. You are joining us at an exciting time as we work closely with our new Trust, Coast and Vale Learning Trust, and our sister schools Lady Lumley's Scalby and the UTC to provide the best educational experience possible.



A Warm Welcome!



Welcome to the class of 2028! I am delighted that the admissions team has offered you a place at Filey School. It is a pleasure to welcome you to our school community. I am 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 reach your goals, no matter what they may be. We constantly focus on holding high standards and outcomes because we understand just how important they are to your future life chances.

This is why it is so important to us that we get to know and care for each of you on an individual basis. We will support you throughout your time with us to ensure you succeed academically and personally, to become 'the best you can be', and make sure you feel safe and listened to so that you 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 Head of Year who is always 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. 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 for 'being the best they can be', such as golden tickets and achieving their bronze, silver and gold merit awards throughout the school year. I'm really looking forward to seeing you achieve yours.

This year's transition event will give you an opportunity to learn about your new environment, develop relationships with peers and teachers and increase in confidence as you enjoy taking part in a range of academic based and fun 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.

Ms Britton
Headteacher





Hello and Welcome to Year 7



I am the Senior Leader for Engagement and Safety and I am also the Deputy 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.

Starting secondary school is a very exciting time but can be a little daunting for both parents and students. Please don't worry - we are all here to support your transition and will ensure it is a safe and smooth one. 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 us and, when needed, talk openly with us 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 or Mrs Pickering who is our Deputy Safeguarding Lead. Your form tutor will be your first point of contact who you will see every day for at least 20 minutes. You will also have your Head of Year who will be available throughout the day. I am also available alongside the rest of our pastoral team

We look forward to meeting you in September



Mrs J Emmerson
Senior Pastoral
Leader



Miss Colling - Head of Year Seven

Hello, my name is Miss Colling, and I am honoured to be your designated KS3 Head of Year, helping you start your journey here at Filey School in the correct way. I am so pleased to let you know that I will be with you from your very first day until you complete Year 9 (now that's a scary thought), at this point I will pass you over to our amazing KS4 Heads of Year.

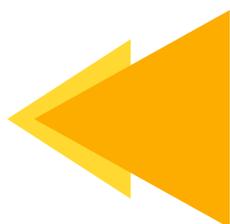
At Filey School we are very much a family and together over the next 5 years we will ensure to work as a team, to bring out the best in each other, allowing everyone to excel in all aspects of school life.

My job is to support you through school to ultimately ensure you can receive the best education and be the best that you can be. Only you can write the next chapter of your story, but I will be here to support you in making the right decisions, so you receive the results and knowledge you need for your future.

Starting 'big school' can be a very scary thing but I will be working very closely with your fabulous form tutors, to make sure you are happily settling in. The next five years will fly by, so make sure you enjoy every moment and grasp any opportunities that come your way to make your time here a fun and memorable experience.



I am delighted to be your Head of Year!!





Who do I turn to for help and advice?

Filey 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 community where we value you as individuals and support you to achieve your full potential. We have high expectations of our pupils and expect you to demonstrate the school values at all times, both in school and out in the wider community.

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

The staff in the photographs below will be the first point of contact for many of you. Your form tutor will be the person you see at least once every day but is available for you at other times too should you need to speak to them.

Mrs Pickering and Mrs Emmerson are the people you should contact if you have any safeguarding concerns.

Mrs Jodie Emmerson
Senior Pastoral Lead
Deputy Safeguarding Lead



Miss Colling
Head of Yr 7



Mrs Pickering
Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Rowland
Year 7 Form Tutor



Miss Moulton
Year 7 Transition Tutor



Mr Bond
Year 7 Form Tutor



Miss Tavendale
Year 7 Form Tutor



There are so many opportunities for everyone at Filey School.

Mr & Rowland - Head of Humanities

I came to work at Filey School in September 2006; today I am as passionate as ever about delivering a school experience for our students that is the best that it can be, and as such I am excited about your journey of growth that lies ahead. Filey School is a friendly school where each and every student is known as an individual, and this I find to be one of the most rewarding aspects of being a form tutor. For me this is key in helping young people to navigate their transition from primary to secondary school. I have been a Year 7 form tutor for the past 4 years and this has helped me to see how students can flourish thanks to a nurturing approach alongside building positive partnerships with parents through honest, open communications. I'm always excited to return in September for the new academic year, but especially so this year! I can't wait to meet my new form group!



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 professional and focused atmosphere within school, that we know is conducive to achievement.

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

Our uniform was launched in September 2022. The uniform and logo has been designed to represent both the rich heritage of the school and that of the wider community.

Not Permitted

Students are permitted to wear one watch and one pair of stud earrings.

Mobile phones are not permitted in school and will be confiscated if seen.

The following are not permitted in school: denim jackets, hoodies, caps, designer clothing, body piercings, extreme hairstyles or colours, excessive make-up, or the wearing of trainers other than in PE lessons.



Student Uniform Requirements

Daily Uniform

- Filey School black blazer with school badge to be worn at all times in school.
- Optional black school v-neck jumper.
- Plain white shirt (long or short sleeved).
- Filey School tie.
- Plain black school straight leg trousers. These must not be tight fitting.

Or...

- Filey School 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 school shoes (not boots, trainers, suede or canvas pumps or sandals).

PE Kit

Compulsory PE Kit

All students must wear the school PE kit, available from 'Rumours'. Boys should wear the Filey School shorts and polo shirts. Girls must wear the Filey School polo shirt and either Filey School shorts or plain black leggings

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

School Shoes

ACCEPTABLE

Black polishable school shoes only.



UNACCEPTABLE

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



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. They will also be issued with a detention. If you have any concerns regarding uniform, your Head of Year, Miss Colling, will be able to help.



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 Pen
- Green Pen
- Pencils
- Ruler
- Rubber
- Pencil Sharpener
- Calculator (see details later)
- Highlighter Pens
- Colouring Pencils
- PE Kit

Recommended Items

- Protractor

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 to today's date, 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. Please do check your child's planner every night for important communications.



Adria B - Year 10



When I came up for transition days I remember being scared of the older years. They were tall, big and quite scary to me. But, during my time here I have learned that everyone is really nice and willing to help if you need it. Although you have different teachers for lessons they are all really nice and helpful. You have a form tutor who you can go to for help to answer questions you might have. A difference from Junior School is the lessons, you get opportunities to try new things and find new passions. I have had a great four years here and can't wait until I start in Year 11.

Paige P - Year 8

When I first started at Filey School in September two years ago I felt very anxious and nervous, yet I still really enjoyed the feeling of being in a new school.

I always feel like I have the support and respect from the teachers. The new uniform is very nice and smart and I love to wear it. The food from the canteen is also delicious.

Whenever you have problems of any sort, or any negative things in your life, the teachers and staff always try their best to help you as best they can.

The teachers do amazing things to help with absolutely anything and this really helps you with your school life and your mental health.



Homework

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

The school encourages the setting of 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 will be recorded in the student planner.

The time devoted to homework should increase as the student progresses through the school. In years 7, 8 and 9 you should spend at least 30 minutes on each subject, each week. In years 10 and 11 this should increase. The focus of homework will also change as students progress towards external exams.

Calculator

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).





The School Day

- 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**
- 10.20 - 11.20 **Lesson Two**
- 11.20 - 12.20 **Lesson Three**
- 12.20 - 13.10 **Lunch**
- 13.10 - 14.10 **Lesson 4**
- 14.10 - 15.10. **Lesson 5**
- 15.10 **Enrichment Activities and Clubs**

Assemblies

Assemblies are an important element of the school week. They provide a valuable opportunity for year groups to meet together. Assemblies are usually led by senior staff from within the school or, on occasion, by external visitors. It is during this time that important information can be given out or, as is normally the case, themed assemblies based around our 'Life' curriculum are delivered.

One morning each week a year group will attend an assembly in the Main Hall, during form time.



Nikko P - Year 11

I remember the fact that when I came up for transition day I had to stay in a hotel in town as my family were relocating from down south. I didn't know the area, and I didn't know anybody. However, over the first couple of days I got to get to know Filey and it was great. Everyone got on really well. Four years on, I still have no regrets moving from a massive School in South Peterborough to the small, friendly community in Filey.

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 social media feeds.





Additional Information

School Ambassadors

The 'School Ambassadors' are a group of current Year 7, 8 and 9 students who have successfully applied for the privilege to support your child in their transition to Filey School, in addition to a range of other activities throughout the year.

The 'School Ambassadors' are easily identifiable by their green badges worn on their blazers. They support your child's smooth transition to their new school, by conducting school tours, answering your questions and by being 'on hand' when you start your new school with us.

Attendance and Punctuality

If your child is to gain the benefit of a good education and maximise their potential they need to attend school every day. Holidays are not authorised in school time as we recognise that if your child misses timetabled lessons they will fall behind their peers and are less likely to reach their full potential.

We also expect that students arrive to school every day on time and that they arrive punctually to lessons throughout the school day. Late arrival at school or lessons will result in a detention

Safety

Please ensure that your child leaves all valuables at home.

Mobile phones and EarPods are not allowed to be used in school. If they are seen to be being used they will be confiscated by a member of staff and kept securely in the school office until such time that a parent / carer can come to school to pick the item(s) up. This system also applies to inappropriate jewellery that is not part of the school uniform allowed items





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