

Uniform Update

This term students have come into school looking smart and ready to learn! Our Uniform Policy is being followed and it has been great seeing students looking much more businesslike, older students modelling to younger students how smart they should look and all years entering classrooms in shirts and ties, not hoodies or tracksuits!



We really appreciate our parents and carers support in this and it has been wonderful seeing the difference it has made all round. I am sure you all agree, when we are dressed for business we are likely to mean business and our students have shown that they are **aspirational** in their appearance, that they are **respectful** by following the school Uniform Policy and that they are **engaged** in their learning because being dressed for it means we are more prepared for it!

As we have made it clear that the Uniform Policy must be adhered to, we would like to just make sure that some of the "small print" is clarified as detailed below:

Uniform Etiquette - As students enter a classroom or an assembly we will be asking them to get ready to learn! This means tucking shirts in, straightening ties, presenting ourselves correctly, ready to be **excellent**. It is not just what you wear, it is the way that you wear it.

Footwear - Must be black. All black. No white soles, stripes, ticks, other colours or coloured laces are permitted.

Everyday Jumpers - Thorpe St Andrew School and Sixth Form navy knitted jumper with School Logo. (No other jumper is acceptable.)

Jewellery - One stud in each ear, one small nose stud and a watch. Any necklaces should be discreet and not seen as they are underneath the school shirt and must be removed for PE. Bangles, bracelets, rings and other jewellery are not permitted. We will remind students at the gate in the morning and ask them to put the jewellery in their bag. If they put it on again it will be confiscated until the end of the school day and kept safely in a locker in the BEST office.

PE Uniform - Must be navy, this includes jogging bottoms, shorts and leggings.

If a student comes to school with an incorrect uniform, we have a bank of uniforms that they can borrow for that day. When we loan this uniform, students give us their phones as a security deposit and they are stored in a locked safe and returned to the young person at the end of the school day in return for the loan uniform being handed back to us.



Our School Uniform Policy can be found [here](#).

We have set such a high standard now, let us make sure we keep it up this year and continue to show **#WeAREThorpe** as soon as we arrive at the school gate!

House System - To contribute to the community cohesion of the school, there is a newly formed House system. This is the opportunity for students to develop friendships, take part in teamwork activities as well as have those positive life long remembered experiences.

There are three Houses initially called Blue, Green and Yellow. Each house has a Head of House which co-ordinates events within the house. Within each Year Group students take on the responsibility of House Captains to ensure participation in events. Students are in the process of being told which house they are in and being presented with a colour button to wear on either the tie, lanyard strap, jumper or shirt collar depending on student preference.



Naming of the Houses - Over the coming academic year there will be a community consultation on the naming of the houses, house logos and house mottos. Any previous house names used before will not be considered. As a family you select a theme for the house name from the following options:

Local geographical features such as broads or rivers, Local historical sites, buildings or events, Local wildlife such as animals, birds, insects, flowers or trees, Local traditional jobs, titles, or machinery, Local Inspirational figures current or historical, National and International inspirational figures, Mythical creatures or objects, Other.

How to suggest: The Google Forms are available via each Year Group's Google Classroom. Log on with your child via the Chromebook together to complete the form or follow this [link](#). If you follow the link your child will be asked to sign into their yare-edu.org.uk email account.

Each @yare-edu.org.uk email address assigned to students, teachers and governors will get one suggestion. If you are a family with two children attending the school each email address can be used once, giving you two suggestions in total. Deadline for suggestions: Friday 29 September 2023. A final shortlist will be put to a similar vote after the October half term and then similar process carried out for house logos and mottos. We are excited that our community can take part in this change and are looking forward to seeing your suggestions.



Aim High

Be Kind

Respect



Work Hard



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Designated Safeguarding Leads



Mr Dewar Senior Designated Safeguarding Lead	Mr Byram Alternative Senior Designated Safeguarding Lead	Mr Salgado Designated Safeguarding Lead	Mrs Batson Designated Safeguarding Lead	Ms Larkman Designated Safeguarding Lead	Mrs Thetford Designated Safeguarding Lead	Mrs Fray Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Thurling Designated Safeguarding Lead	Mr Hart Designated Safeguarding Lead	Miss Bond Designated Safeguarding Lead	Mrs Watker Designated Safeguarding Lead	Mrs Howes Designated Safeguarding Lead	Miss Allen Designated Safeguarding Lead	Miss Middleton Designated Safeguarding Lead



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DIG DEEPER, LOOK CLOSER, THINK BIGGER



Black History Month - Community Event Wednesday 11 October 2023

Next month we look forward to celebrating [Black History Month](#) with a range of celebratory and educational events on the theme of Celebrating our Sisters. These include a BHM Poetry Competition, a talk from guest speaker Andreena Leeane and an after-school community event on Wednesday 11 October 2023 to which students and parents are invited to attend. If as a parent you would like to attend, please complete this [Google Form](#).

Wednesday 20 September 2023 - Flu Immunisations

Thursday 21 September 2023 - School Closes at 2.00 pm

5.00 pm Year 6 Open Evening

We would love to see as many prospective students and parents as possible.

Friday 22 September 2023 - Year 12 Visit to Flegg Common - Introduction to Environmental Science Course

Tuesday 26 September 2023 - Year 7 Working Together Evening

Wednesday 27 September 2023 - Maths Olympiad for Girls

Year 10 Summer Snack at CNS School

Lower Sixth Parent Information Evening

Thursday 28 September 2023 - Uni Insight Day - UEA

Year 11 Engineering Careers Visit

Thorpe Careers Fair for Year 11s and 13s, 6pm-8pm, North Site Hall/Gym

Check out our [website](#) for future dates.

OPEN EVENING

Christmas Fayre
Saturday 18 November 2023

For more information about how to obtain a stall at our fayre, please email Graham at thorpefriends@gmail.com

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